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That I May Know

**HIM**

(Part 8b)

# Matthew 5:1-12 (NKJV)

- 1** And seeing the multitudes, He went up on a mountain, and when He was seated His disciples came to Him.
- 2** Then He opened His mouth and taught them, saying:
- 3** "Blessed *are* the poor in spirit, For theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

# Matthew 5:1-12 (NKJV)

**4 Blessed *are* those who mourn, For they shall be comforted.**

**5 Blessed *are* the meek, For they shall inherit the earth.**

**6 Blessed *are* those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, For they shall be filled.**

# Matthew 5:1-12 (NKJV)

**7 Blessed *are* the merciful, For they shall obtain mercy.**

**8 Blessed *are* the pure in heart, For they shall see God.**

**9 Blessed *are* the peacemakers, For they shall be called sons of God.**

# Matthew 5:1-12 (NKJV)

**10 Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, For theirs is the kingdom of heaven.**

**11 "Blessed are you when they revile and persecute you, and say all kinds of evil against you falsely for My sake.**

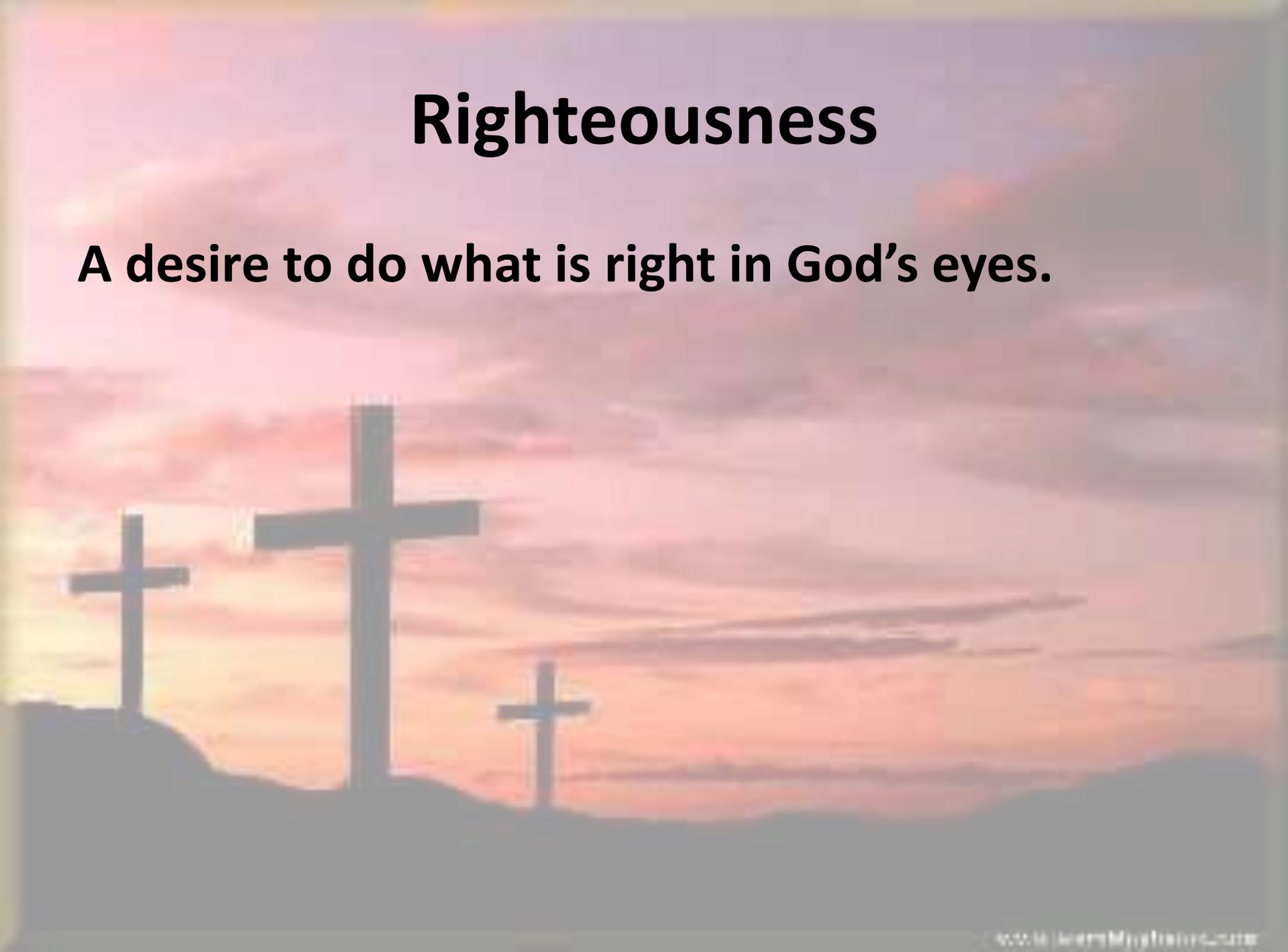
**12 Rejoice and be exceedingly glad, for great *is* your reward in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.**

## 4. Blessed

**Supremely blessed, fortunate, happier are those who hunger and thirst after righteousness for they shall be filled.**

# Righteousness

**A desire to do what is right in God's eyes.**



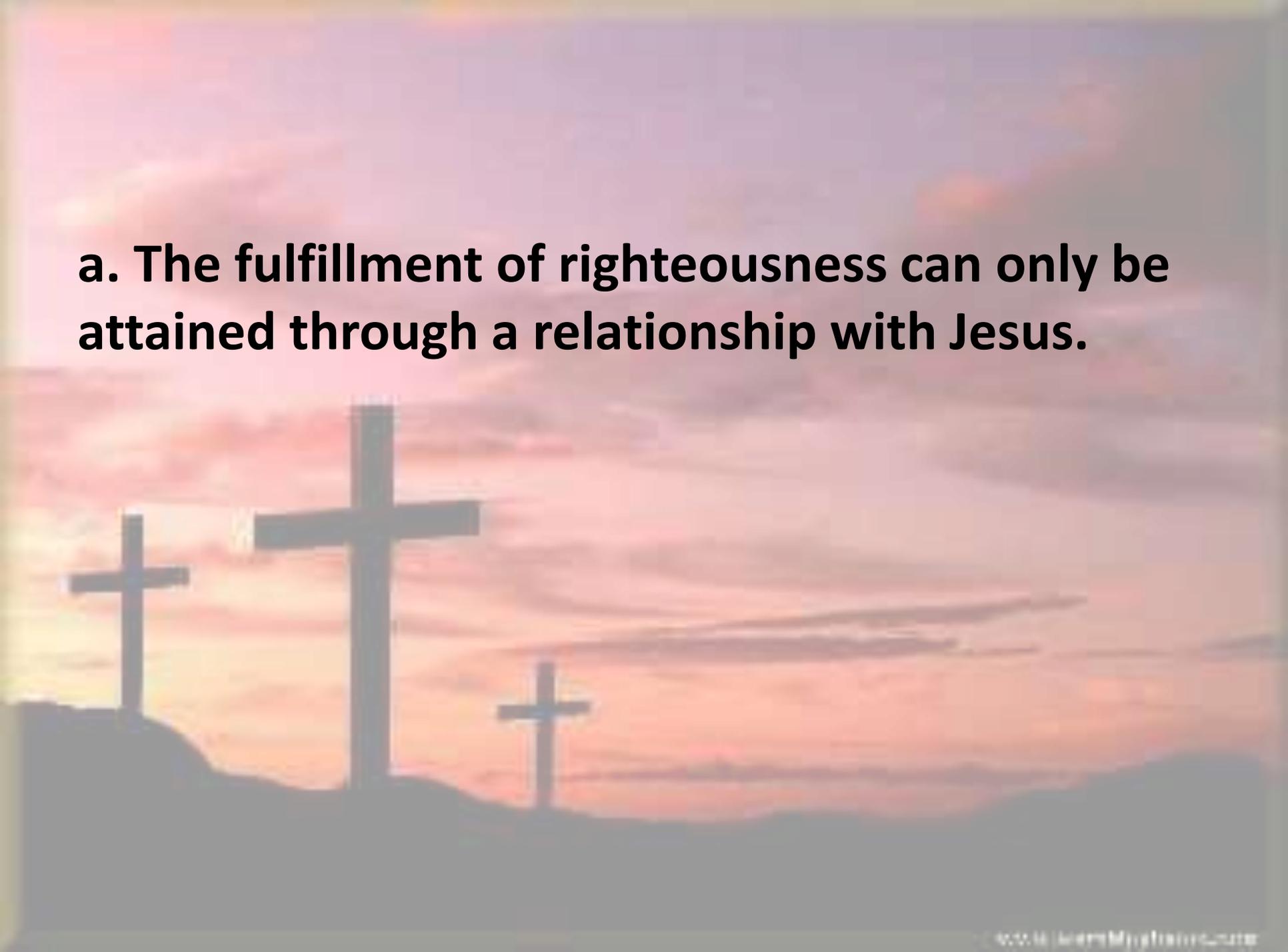
# Micah 6:8 (NKJV)

**8 He has shown you, O man, what *is* good; And what does the LORD require of you But to do justly, To love mercy, And to walk humbly with your God?**

# James 1:27 (NKJV)

**27 Pure and undefiled religion before God and the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their trouble, *and* to keep oneself unspotted from the world.**

**a. The fulfillment of righteousness can only be attained through a relationship with Jesus.**



# Romans 3:20-24 (NKJV)

**20 Therefore by the deeds of the law no flesh will be justified in His sight, for by the law *is* the knowledge of sin.**

**21 But now the righteousness of God apart from the law is revealed, being witnessed by the Law and the Prophets,**

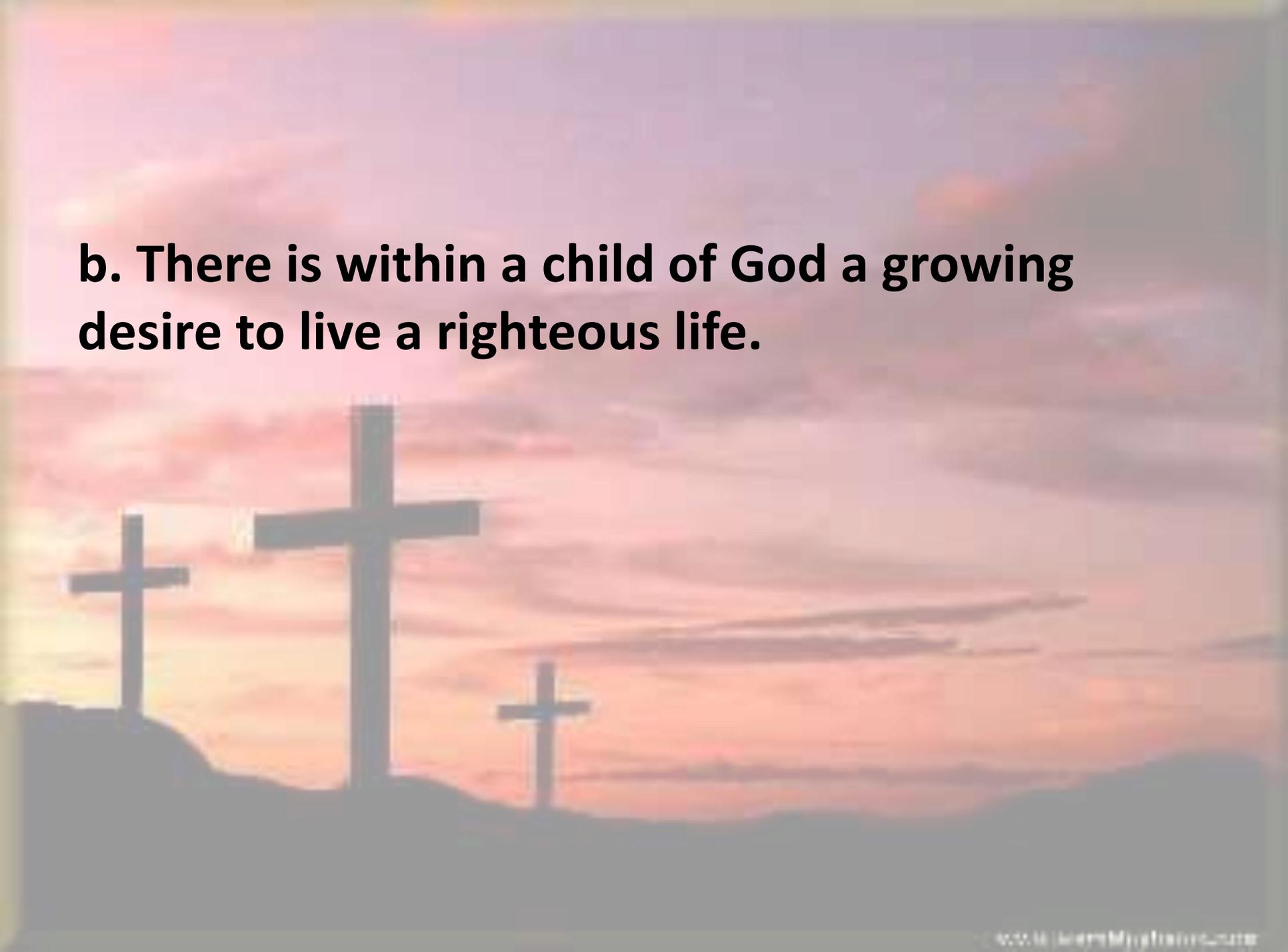
# Romans 3:20-24 (NKJV)

**22 even the righteousness of God, through faith in Jesus Christ, to all and on all who believe. For there is no difference;**

**23 for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,**

**24 being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus,**

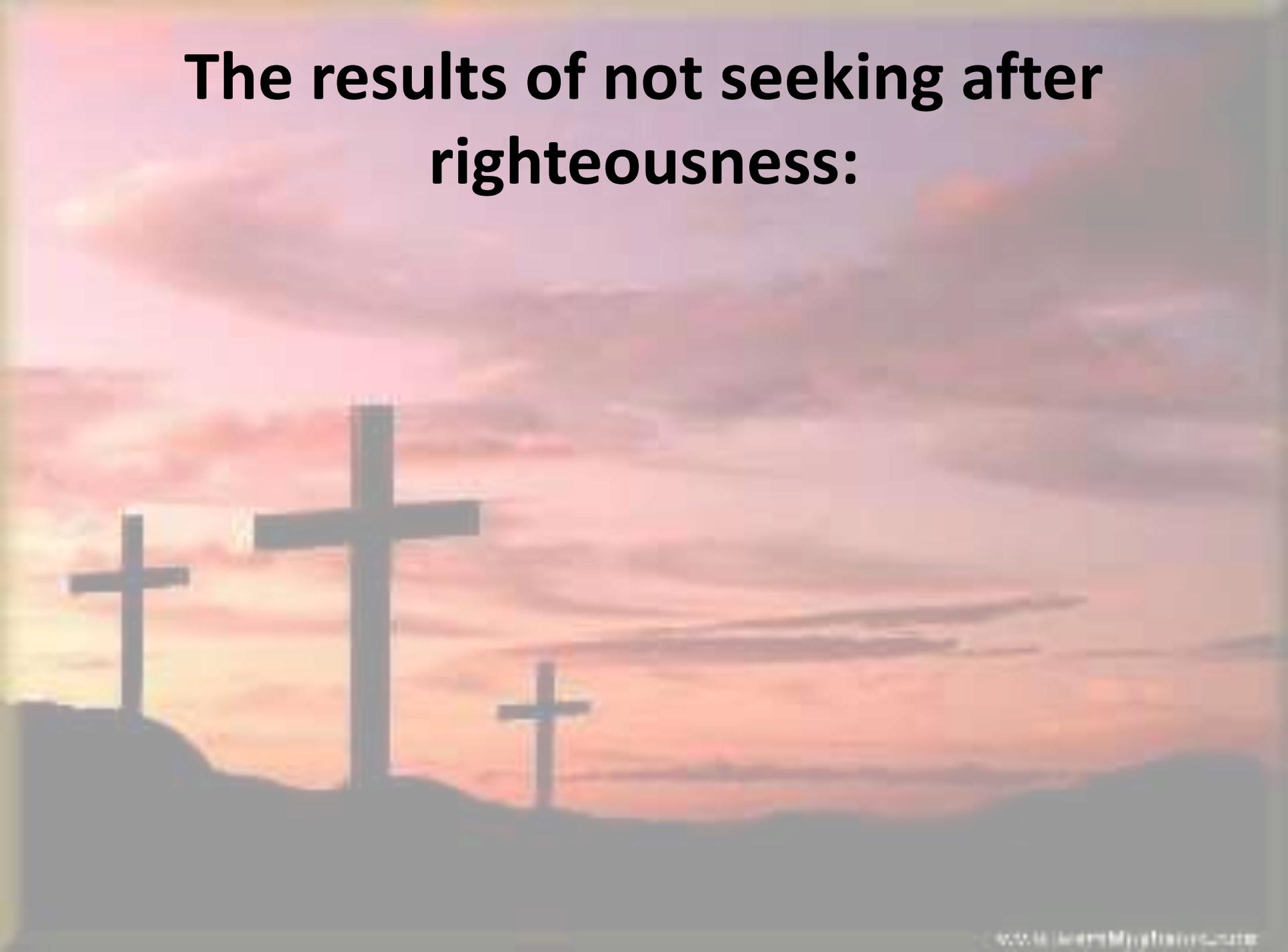
**b. There is within a child of God a growing desire to live a righteous life.**



# 1 John 3:10 (NKJV)

**In this the children of God and the children of the devil are manifest: Whoever does not practice righteousness is not of God, nor *is* he who does not love his brother.**

**The results of not seeking after  
righteousness:**



# Psalm 106:9-15 (NKJV)

**9 He rebuked the Red Sea also, and it dried up;  
So He led them through the depths, As through  
the wilderness.**

**10 He saved them from the hand of him who  
hated *them*, And redeemed them from the  
hand of the enemy.**

**11 The waters covered their enemies; There  
was not one of them left.**

# Psalm 106:9-15 (NKJV)

**12 Then they believed His words; They sang His praise.**

**13 They soon forgot His works; They did not wait for His counsel,**

**14 But lusted exceedingly in the wilderness, And tested God in the desert.**

**15 And He gave them their request, But sent leanness into their soul.**

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# Romans 6:12-13 (NKJV)

**12 Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body, that you should obey it in its lusts.**

**13 And do not present your members *as* instruments of unrighteousness to sin, but present yourselves to God as being alive from the dead, and your members *as* instruments of righteousness to God.**



# 1 Corinthians 6:19-20 (NKJV)

**19 Or do you not know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit *who is* in you, whom you have from God, and you are not your own?**

**20 For you were bought at a price; therefore glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which are God's.**

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