

Undeserved

GALATIANS 2:11-21

The New Testament

Matthew

Mark

Luke

John

Acts

Romans

I & II Corinthians

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Ephesians

Philippians

Colossians

I & II Thessalonians

I & II Timothy

Titus

Philemon

Hebrews

James

I & II Peter

I, II, & III John

Jude

Revelation

- The thesis: You cannot gain justification by obeying rules. You can only be justified through faith in Jesus.

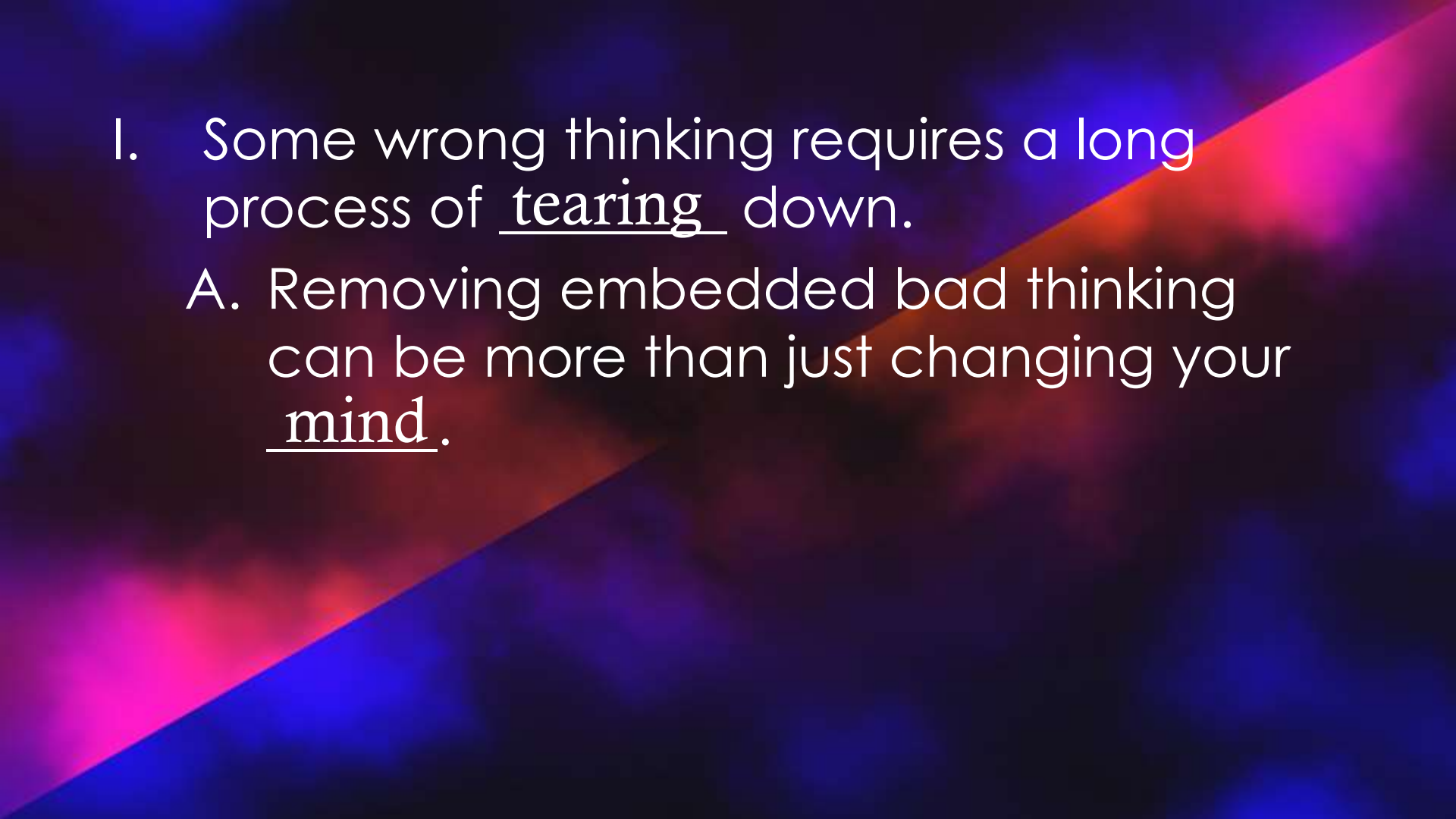
- **JUSTIFICATION:** the legal action where God declared unrighteous people to be righteous; acquitting us from sin's penalty because of Christ's death on the cross
- **SANCTIFICATION:** the process of being set apart to become holy; more and more like Jesus and guided by the Holy Spirit

Justification

- Legal standing with God
- Once for all time
- Entirely God's work
- Perfect and complete in this life
- The same in all Christians
- Sin doesn't damage

Sanctification

- Becoming more like God
- Continuous throughout life
- We cooperate
- Not perfect or complete in this life
- Greater in some than in others
- Sin does damage

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- I. Some wrong thinking requires a long process of tearing down.
 - A. Removing embedded bad thinking can be more than just changing your mind.

II. We can end up rebuilding what we tore down.

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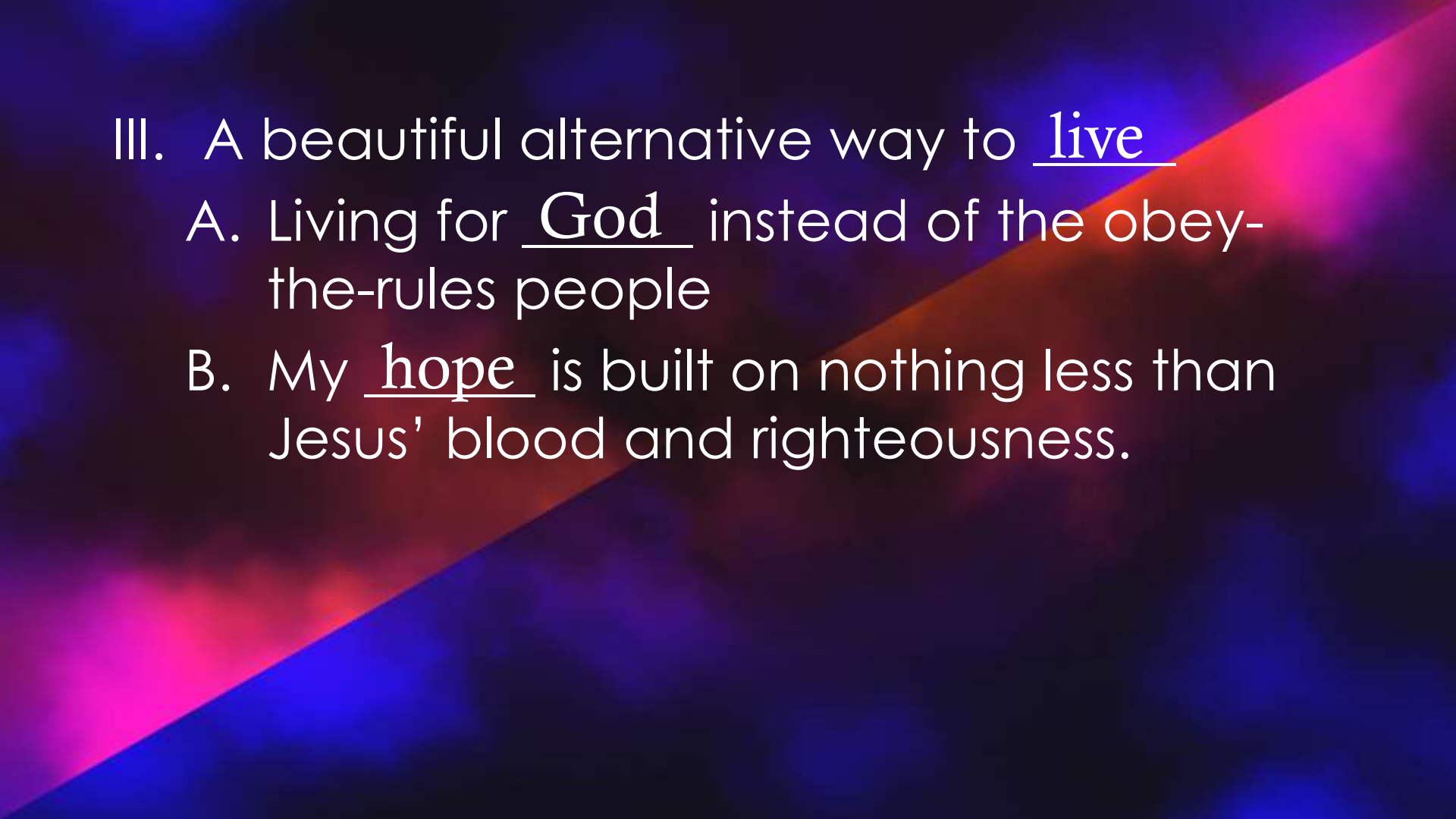
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We acknowledge the Scripture as the authoritative source and standard for preaching and teaching about faith and life, for distinguishing truth from error, for discerning between good and evil, and for guiding prayer and worship. ***Other claims on our understanding of Christian faith and life, such as tradition, culture, experience, reason, and political powers, need to be tested and corrected by the light of Holy Scripture.***

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- III. A beautiful alternative way to live
 - A. Living for God instead of the obey-the-rules people
 - B. My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness.

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BE AN ANTIOCH...

casting hope