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Job 2:11

Now when Job's three friends heard of all this adversity that had come upon him, each one came from his own place—Eliphaz the Temanite, Bildad the Shuhite, and Zophar the Naamathite. For they had made an appointment together to come and mourn with him, and to comfort him.

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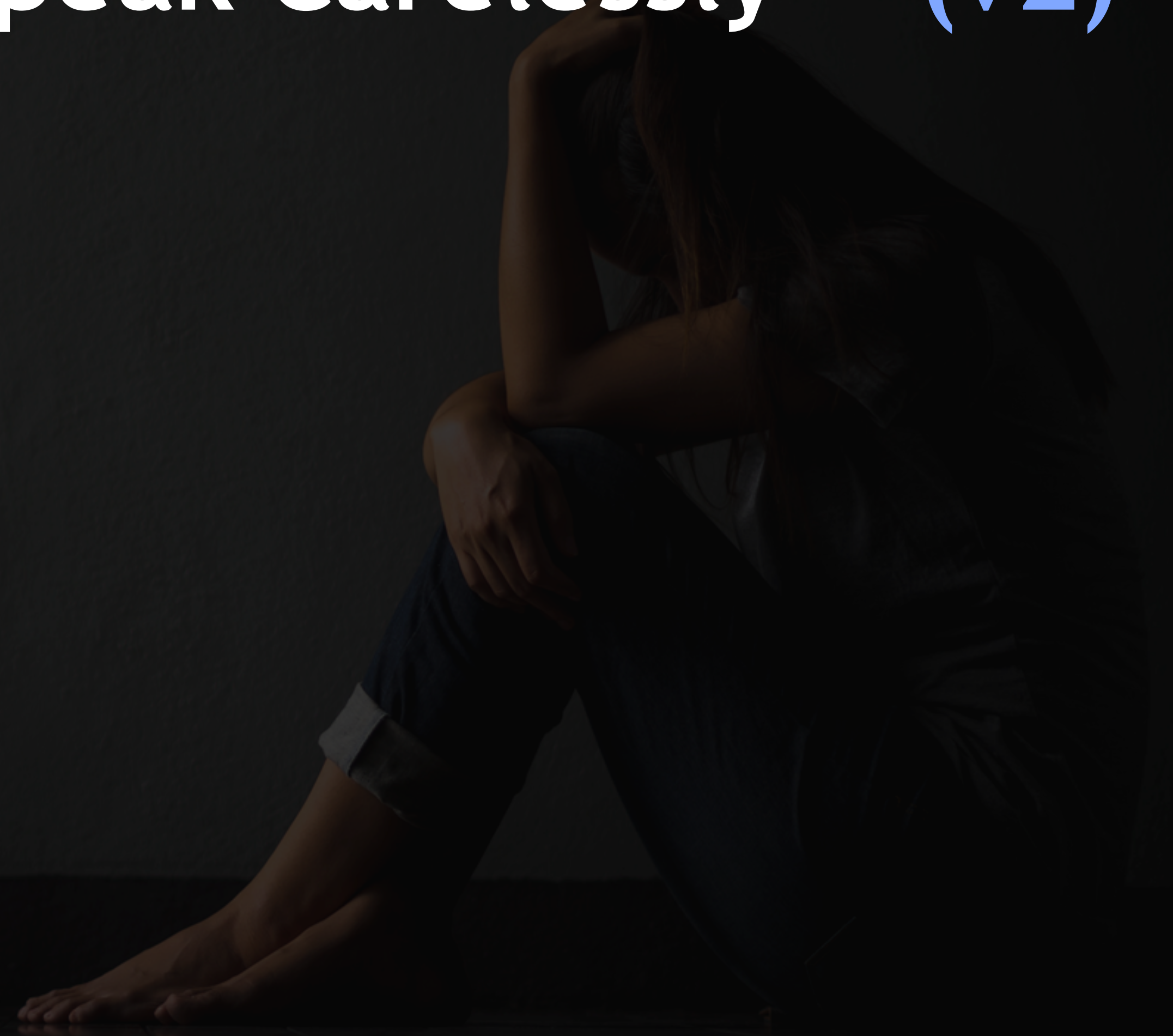
“ At this point Job's trial enters a new phase, the most trying of all. Instead of helping, the words of his wife and of his friends cause him more pain and put him under more pressure than all the other things that have happened to him so far. ”

Francis I. Andersen, Job: An Introduction and Commentary

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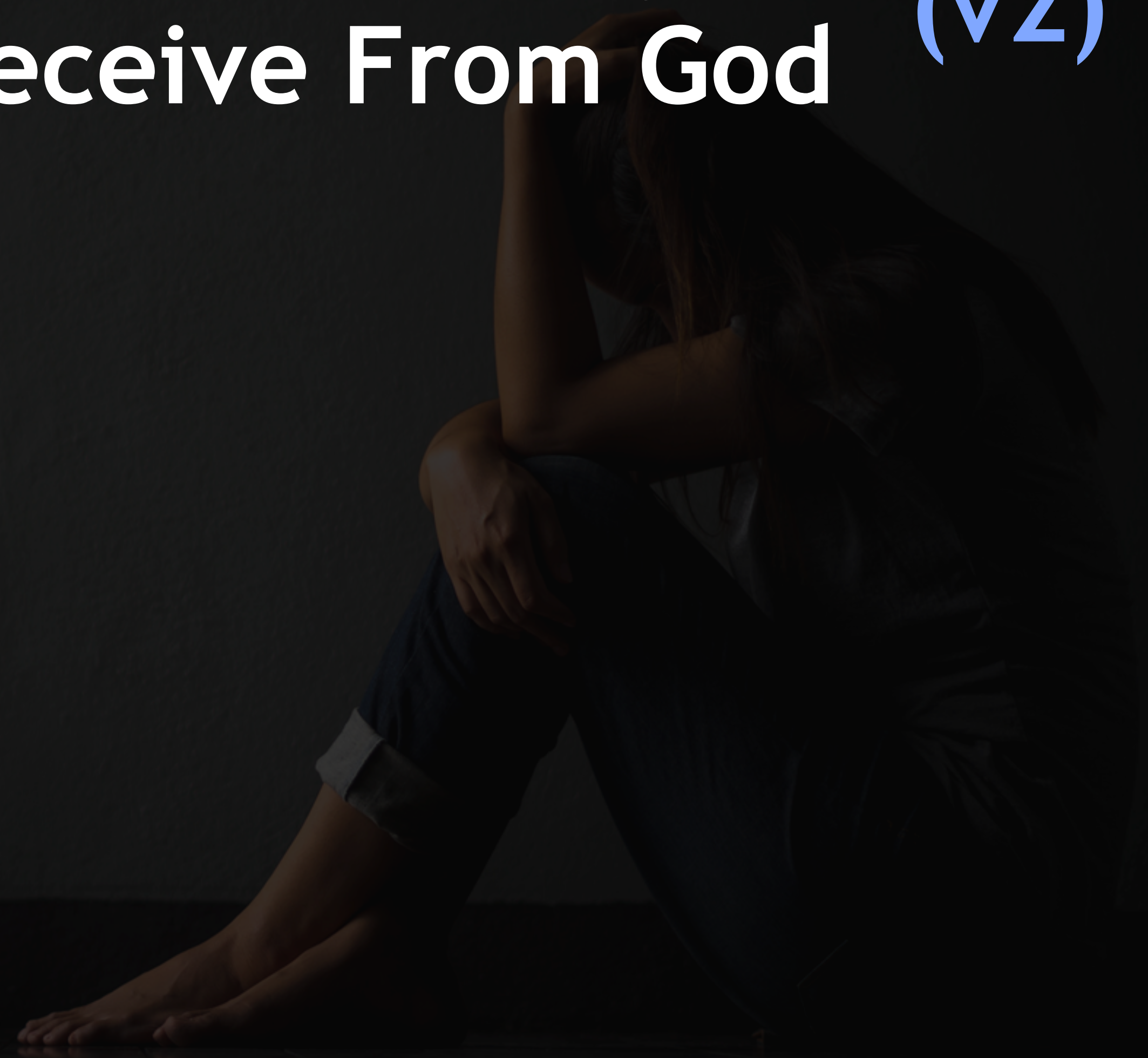
“ Compassion should restrain, or, govern my lips;
namely, that they should avoid all speeches which
might vex you, and speak only what might be to your
comfort and benefit. ”

Joseph Benson, Joseph Benson's Commentary

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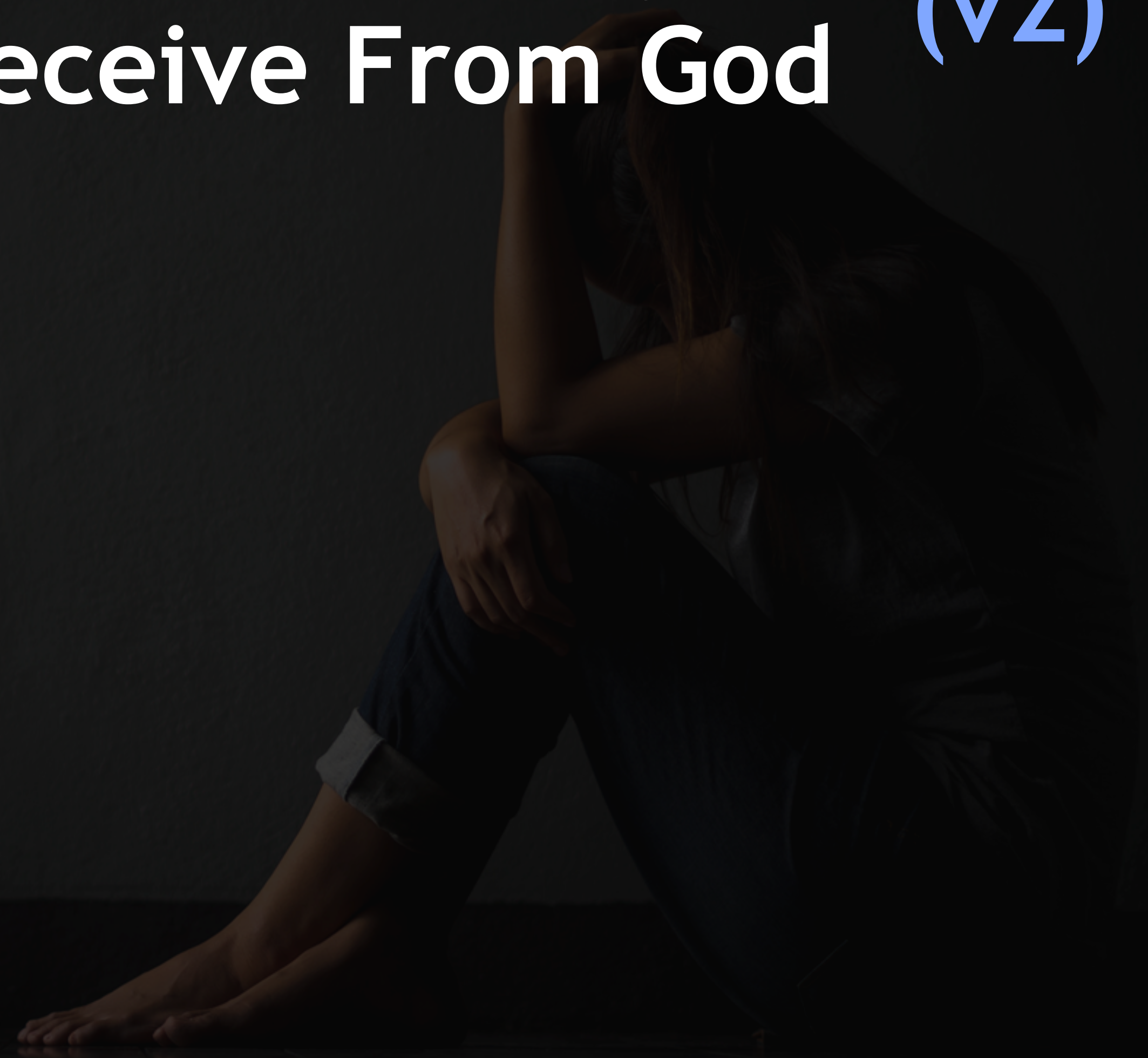
2 Corinthians 1

- 3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the Father of mercies and God of all comfort,
4 who comforts us in all our tribulation, that we may be able
to comfort those who are in any trouble, with the comfort with
which we ourselves are comforted by God.

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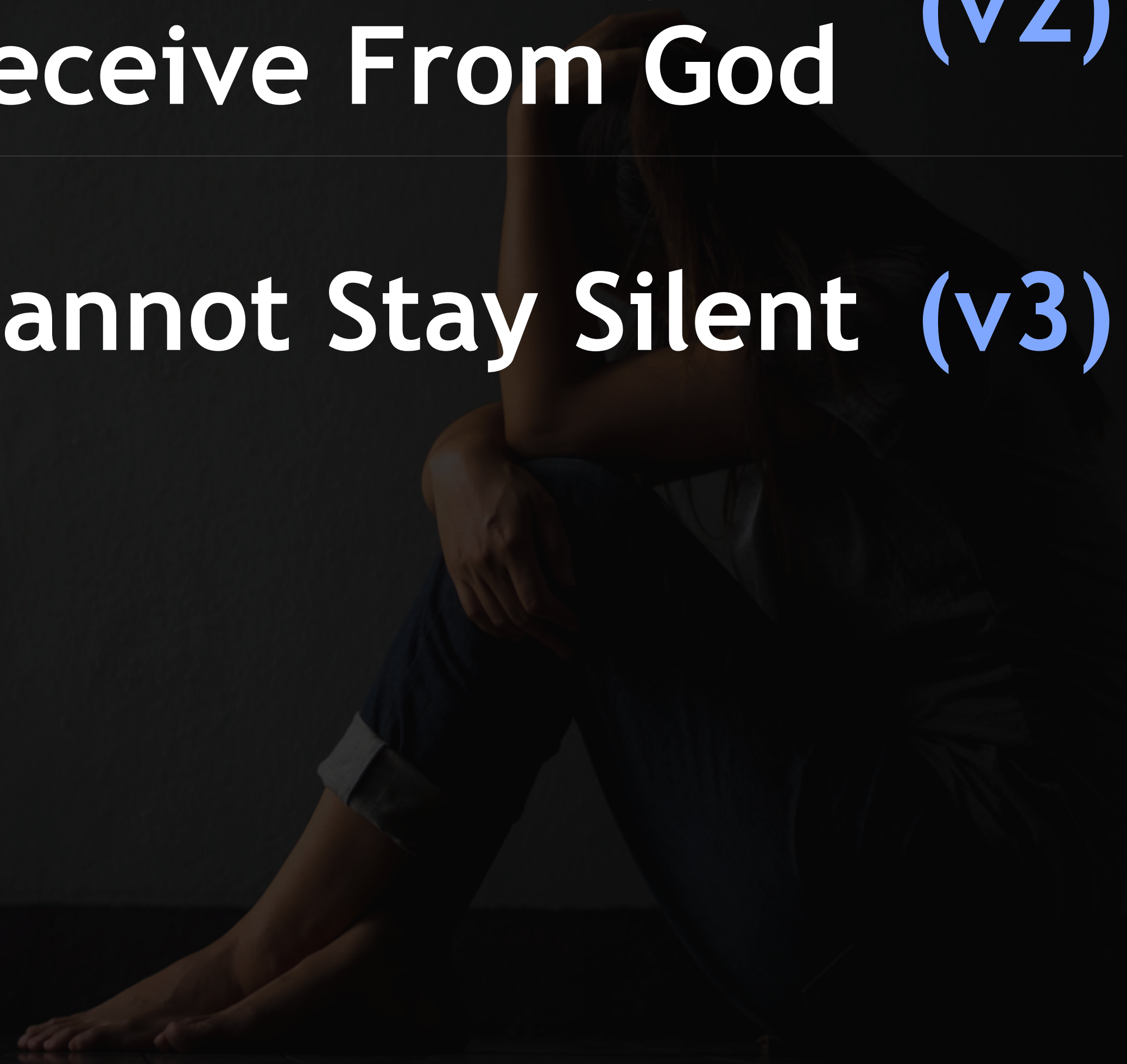
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Mark 9

5 Then Peter answered and said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; and let us make three tabernacles: one for You, one for Moses, and one for Elijah"—
6 because he did not know what to say, for they were greatly afraid.

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2. Miserable Comforters Cannot Stay Silent (v3)
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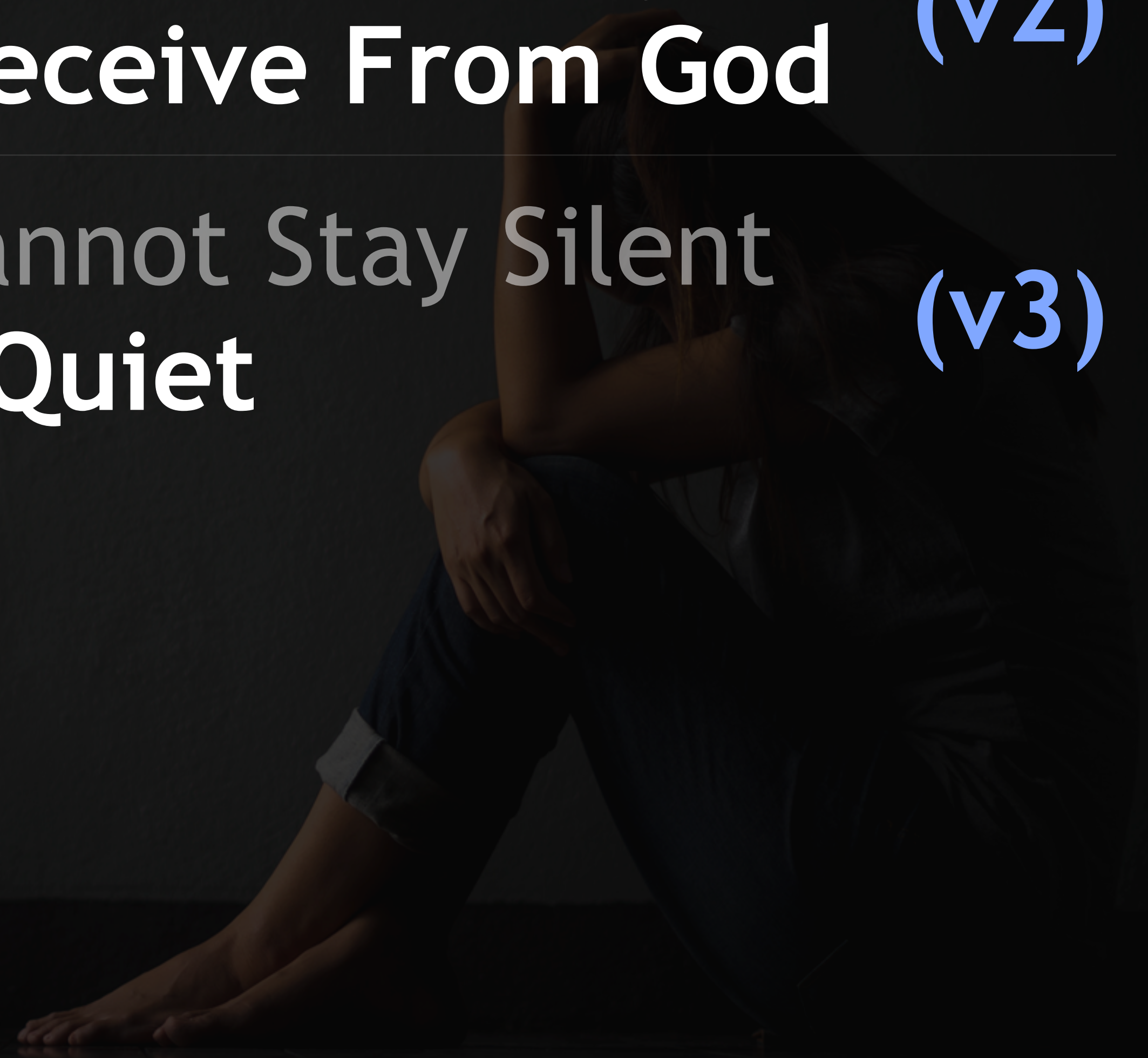
“ Silent sympathy always creates an opportunity for grief to express itself. Job's outcry was undoubtedly an answer to their sympathy. So far, it was good, and they had helped him. ”

G. Campbell Morgan, Exposition On The Bible

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“ The meaning of Job here is, that he could as easily have expressed contempt, reproach, and scorn, as they did. It required no uncommon talent to do it, and he felt that he would have been fully sufficient for the task. ”

Albert Barnes, Albert Barnes' Notes On The Bible

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To him who is afflicted, kindness should be shown by his friend, Even though he forsakes the fear of the Almighty.

Job 6:14

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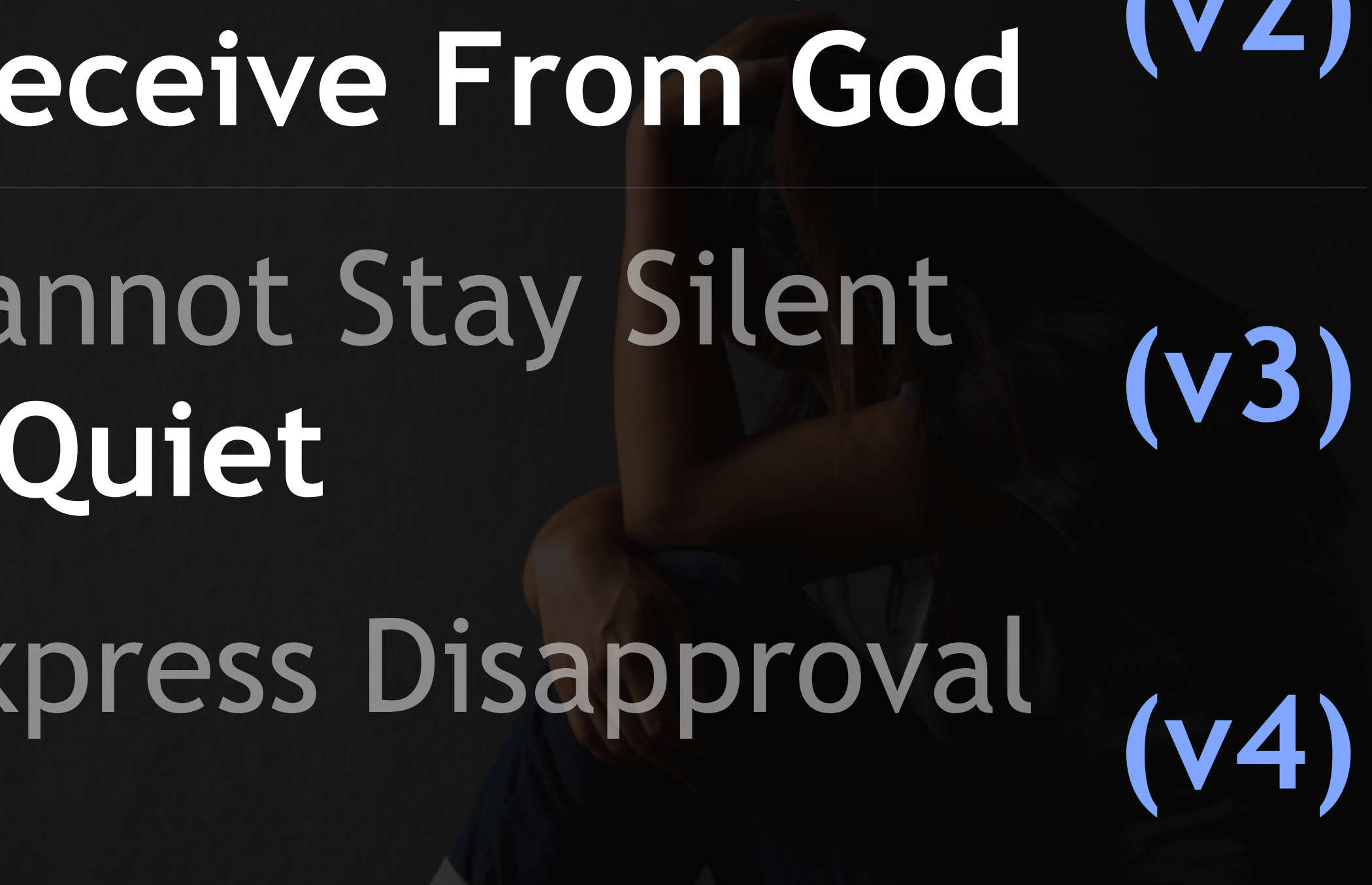
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Rejoice with those who rejoice, and weep
with those who weep.

Romans 12:15

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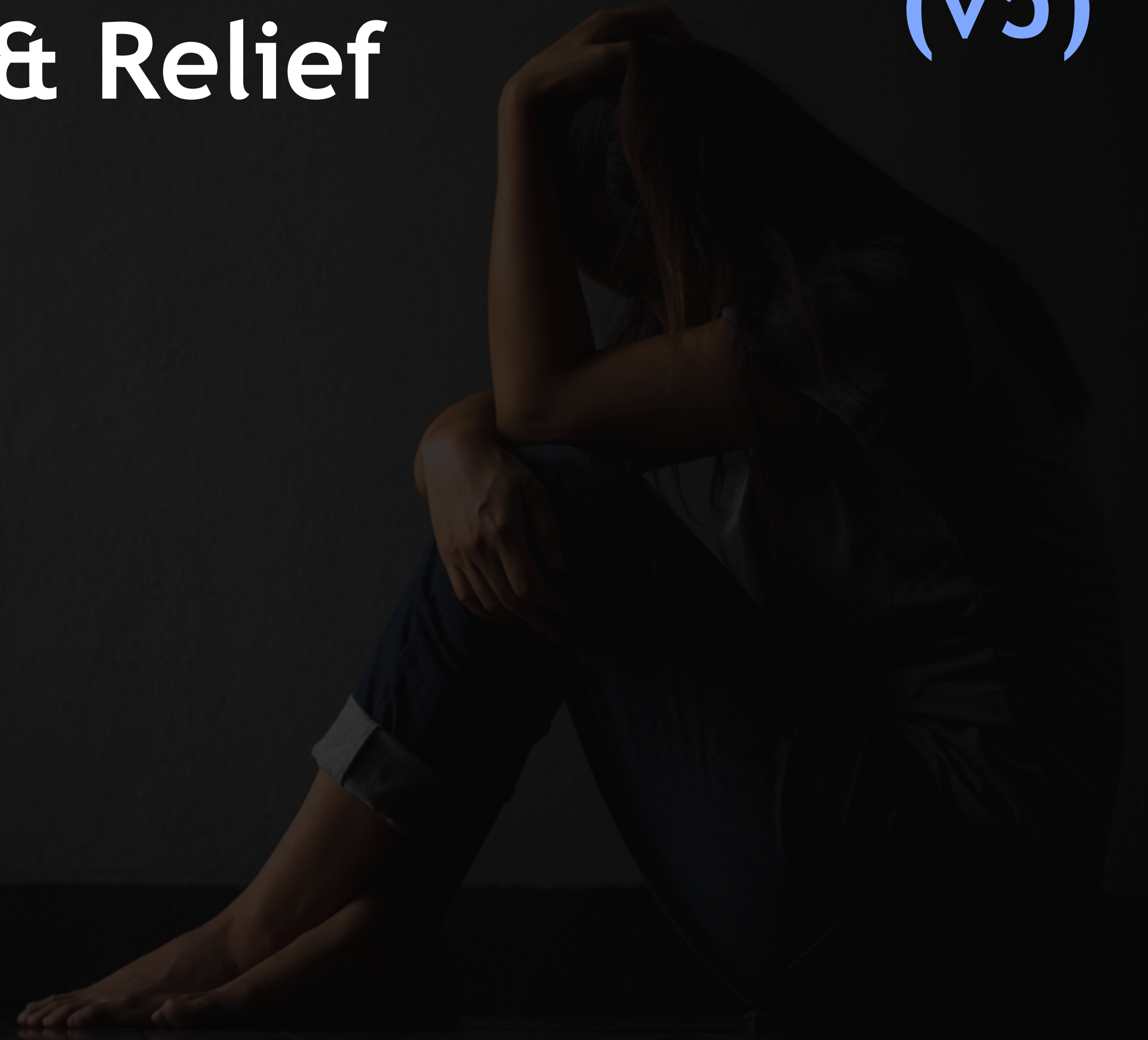
“ It is too bad that Job's three friends listened to Job's words instead of to his feelings. They decided to tell Job why he was suffering, but they only made his situation worse. Suffering people need love, acceptance, and patient encouragement, not arguments and accusations. ”

Warren Wiersbe, With The Word

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4. Miserable Comforters Make Grief Harder (v5)
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Luke 4

18 "The Spirit Of The Lord Is Upon Me, Because He Has Anointed Me To Preach The Gospel To The Poor; He Has Sent Me To Heal The Brokenhearted, To Proclaim Liberty To The Captives And Recovery Of Sight To The Blind, To Set At Liberty Those Who Are Oppressed"

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1 Corinthians 14

1 Pursue love, and desire spiritual gifts, but especially that you may prophesy.

2 For he who speaks in a tongue...

3 But he who prophesies speaks edification and exhortation and comfort to men.

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