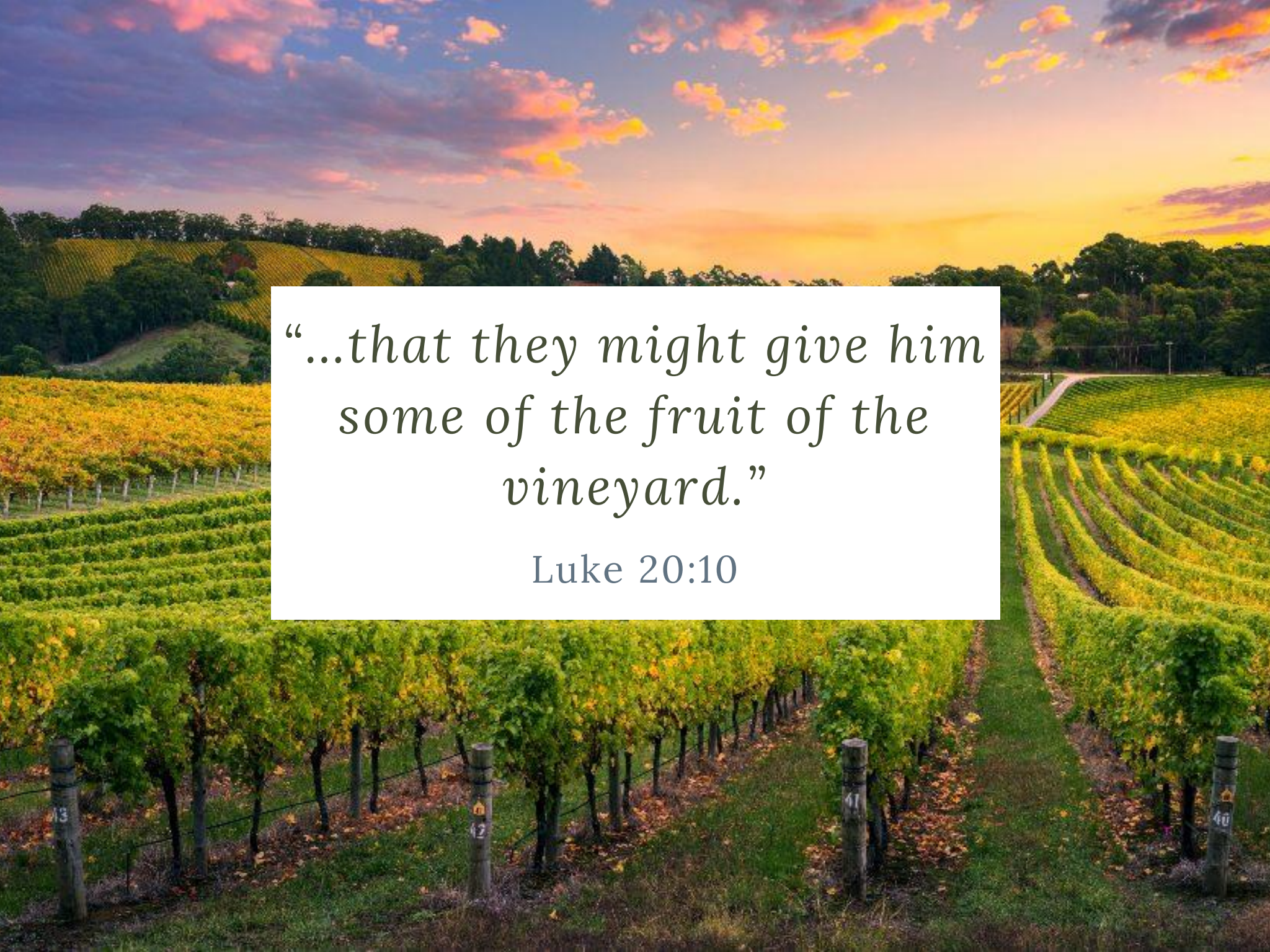




*“...that they might give him
some of the fruit of the
vineyard.”*

Luke 20:10



The Wicked Vinedressers

DISRESPECTING GOD

1 S T S U N D A Y O F M E S O R E

INGRATITUDE

1

Ten Lepers Healed

2

"Lord, how often shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? Up to seven times?" Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you, up to seven times, but up to seventy times seven."

(Matt. 18:21-22)

3

"Gratitude in the heart is a sign of the soul that knows God."

(Abba Poemen)





REJECTING HIS MESSENGER

Nabal and Abigail

Then Nabal answered David's servants,
and said, "**Who is David, and who is
the son of Jesse?** There are many
servants nowadays who break away
each one from his master. Shall I then
take my bread and my water and my
meat that I have killed for my shearers,
**and give it to men when I do not
know where they are from?**" (1 Sam.

25:10-11)



REJECTING HIS MESSENGER

When we disrespect the
God's messengers, we
disrespect the God.

**“...he who rejects you
rejects Me, and he who
rejects Me rejects Him
who sent Me.” (Lk. 10:16)**

Rejecting His Messengers

HOW DO WE DISRESPECT GOD'S MESSENGERS?

Persecuting or mocking them, or their message.

“Woe to you! For you build the tombs of the prophets, and your fathers killed them.” (Lk. 11:47)

Questioning or casting doubt on their authority or authenticity

"Tell us, by what authority are You doing these things? Or who is he who gave You this authority?" (Lk. 20:2)

Disobedience

Indifference

PRIDE AND REBELLION

“Humility is the only thing the devil cannot imitate; if we humble ourselves, we escape his snares.” (St. Moses the Strong)

King Saul’s disobedience

"Has the Lord as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, as in obeying the voice of the Lord? Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, and to heed than the fat of rams" (1 Samuel 15:22, NKJV)

We disrespect God when we place our will over His





Disrespecting God

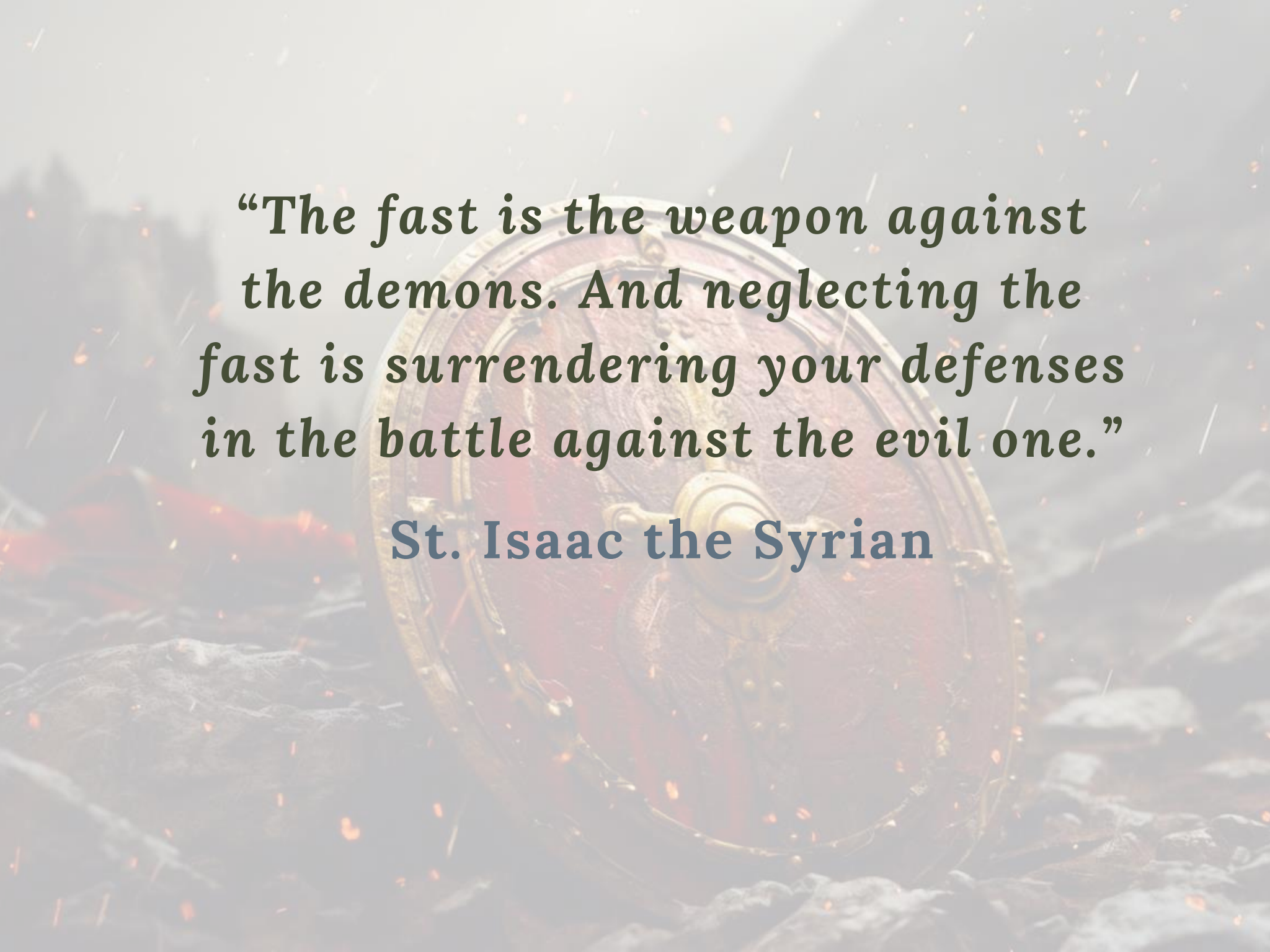
NEGLECTING OUR DUTIES

Parable of the Talents

The Fig Tree (Lk. 13:6-7)

Neglect our social duties

Neglect our spiritual duties



*“The fast is the weapon against
the demons. And neglecting the
fast is surrendering your defenses
in the battle against the evil one.”*

St. Isaac the Syrian