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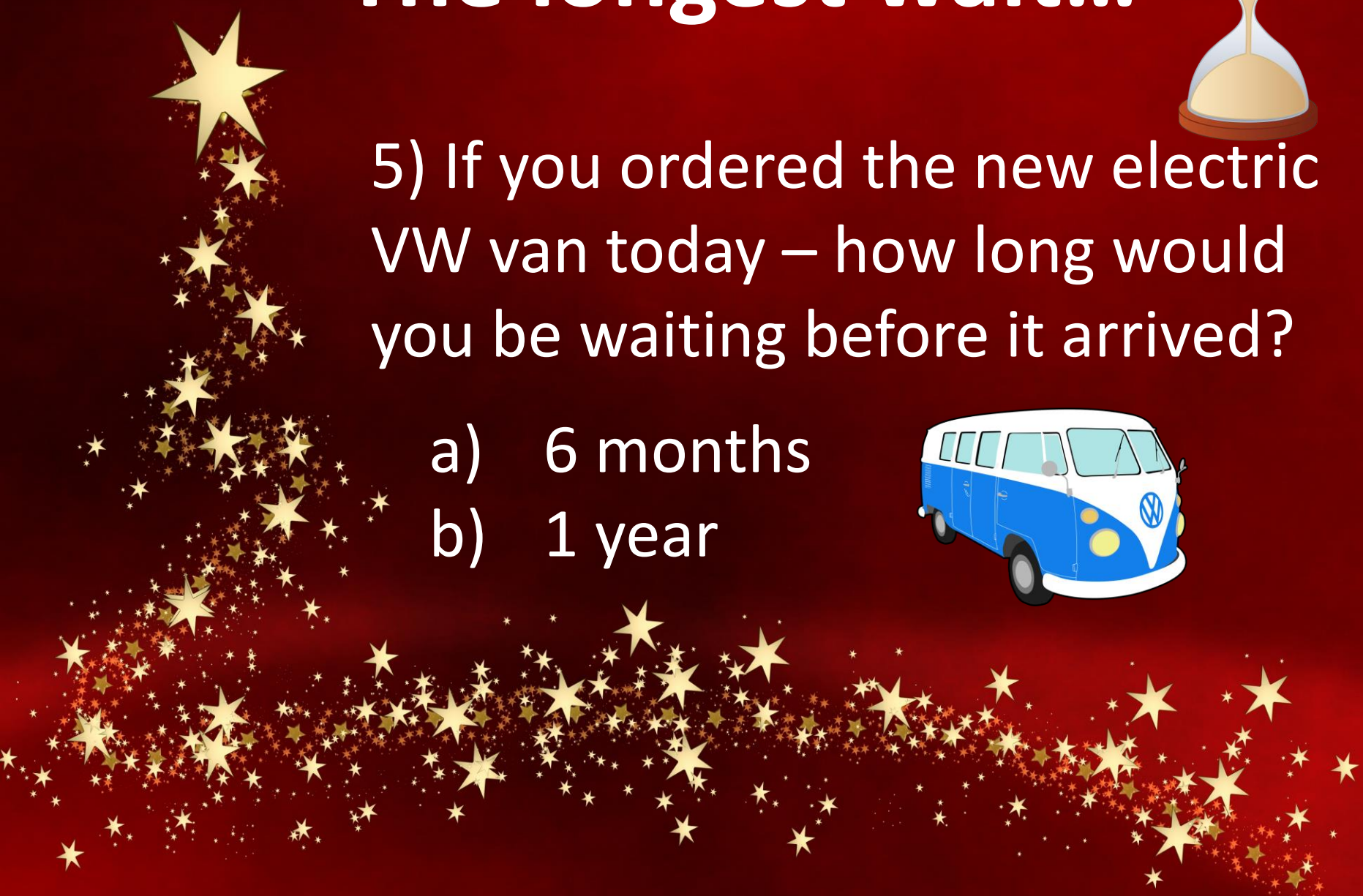


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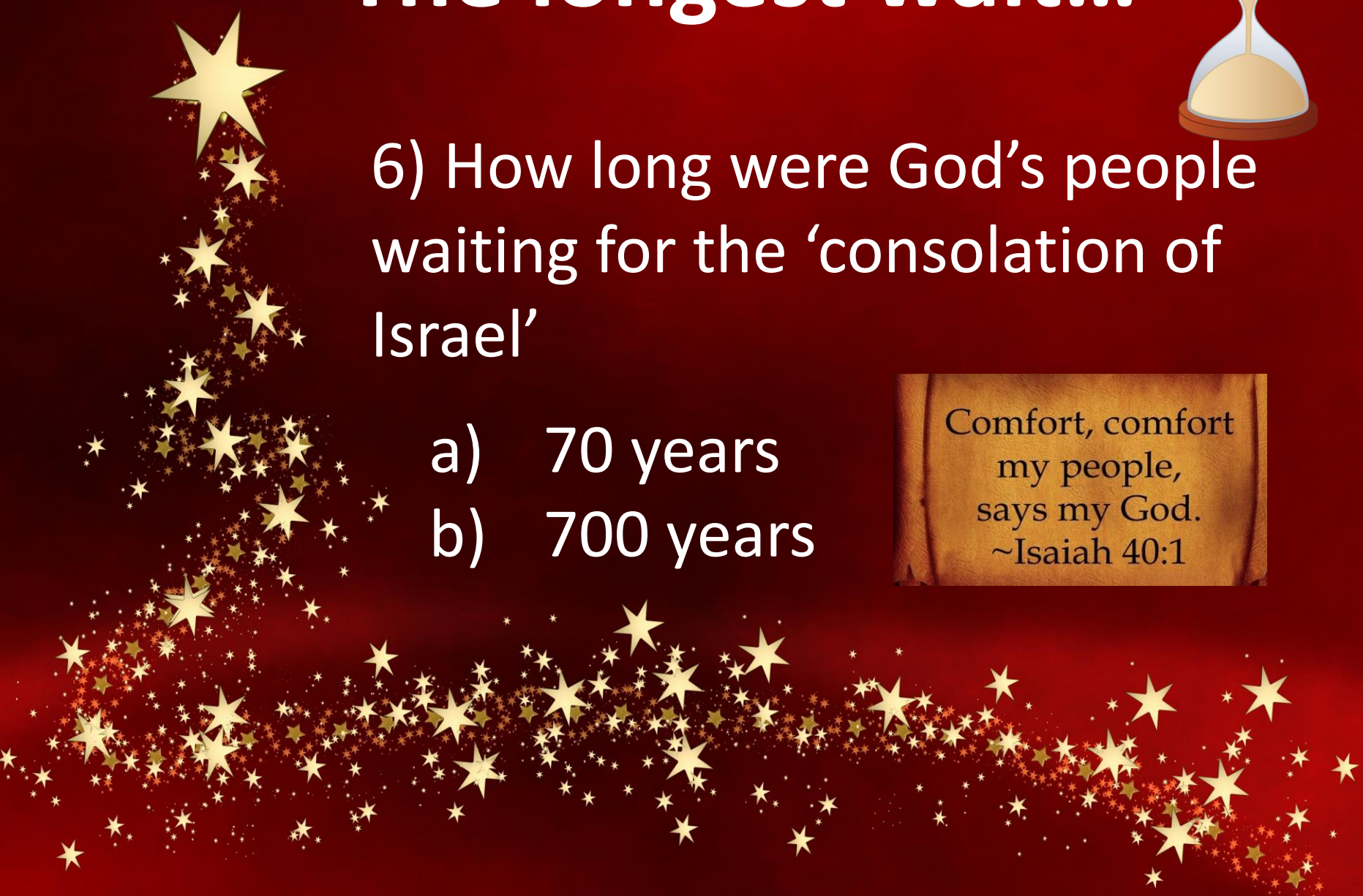
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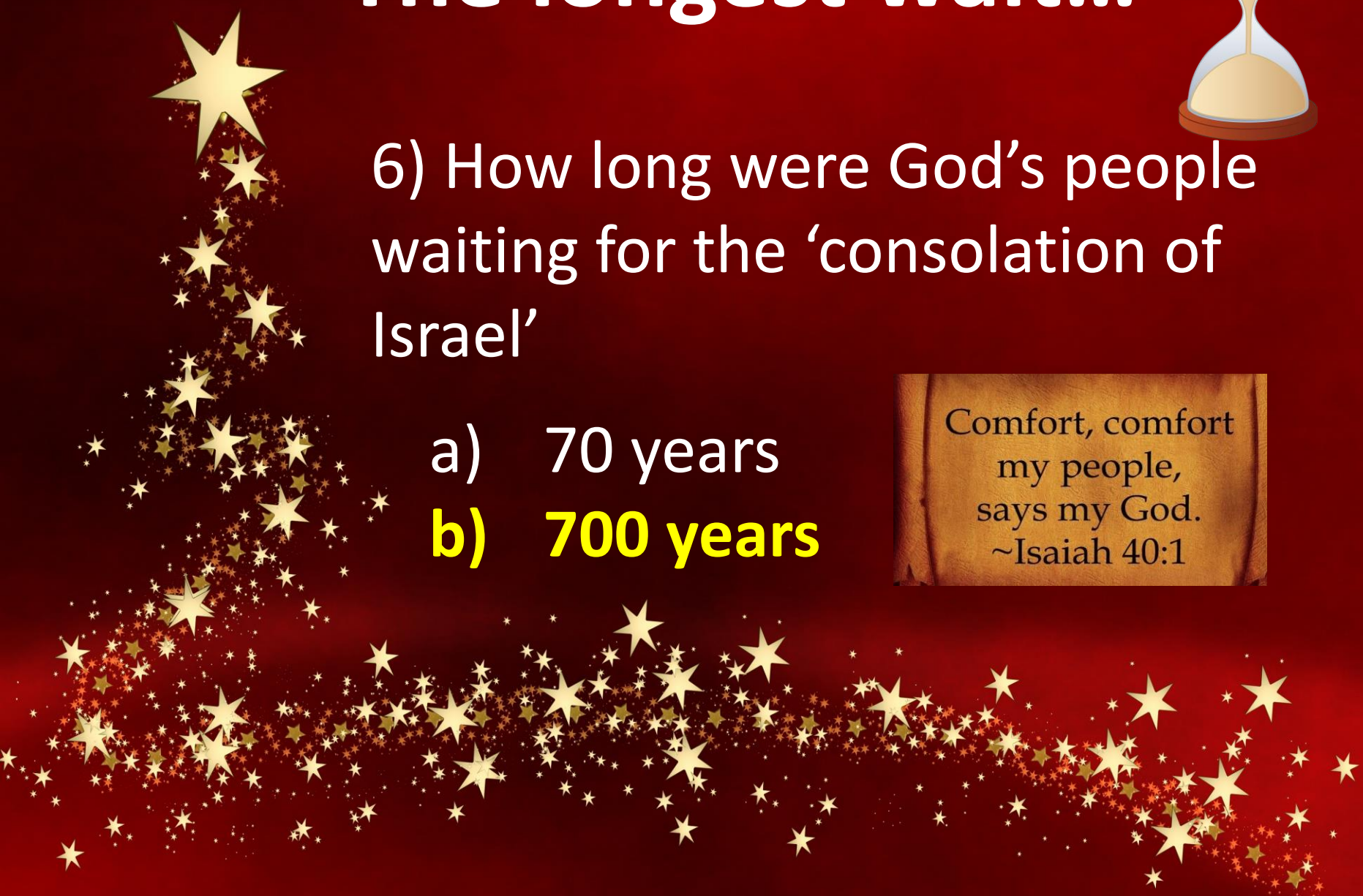
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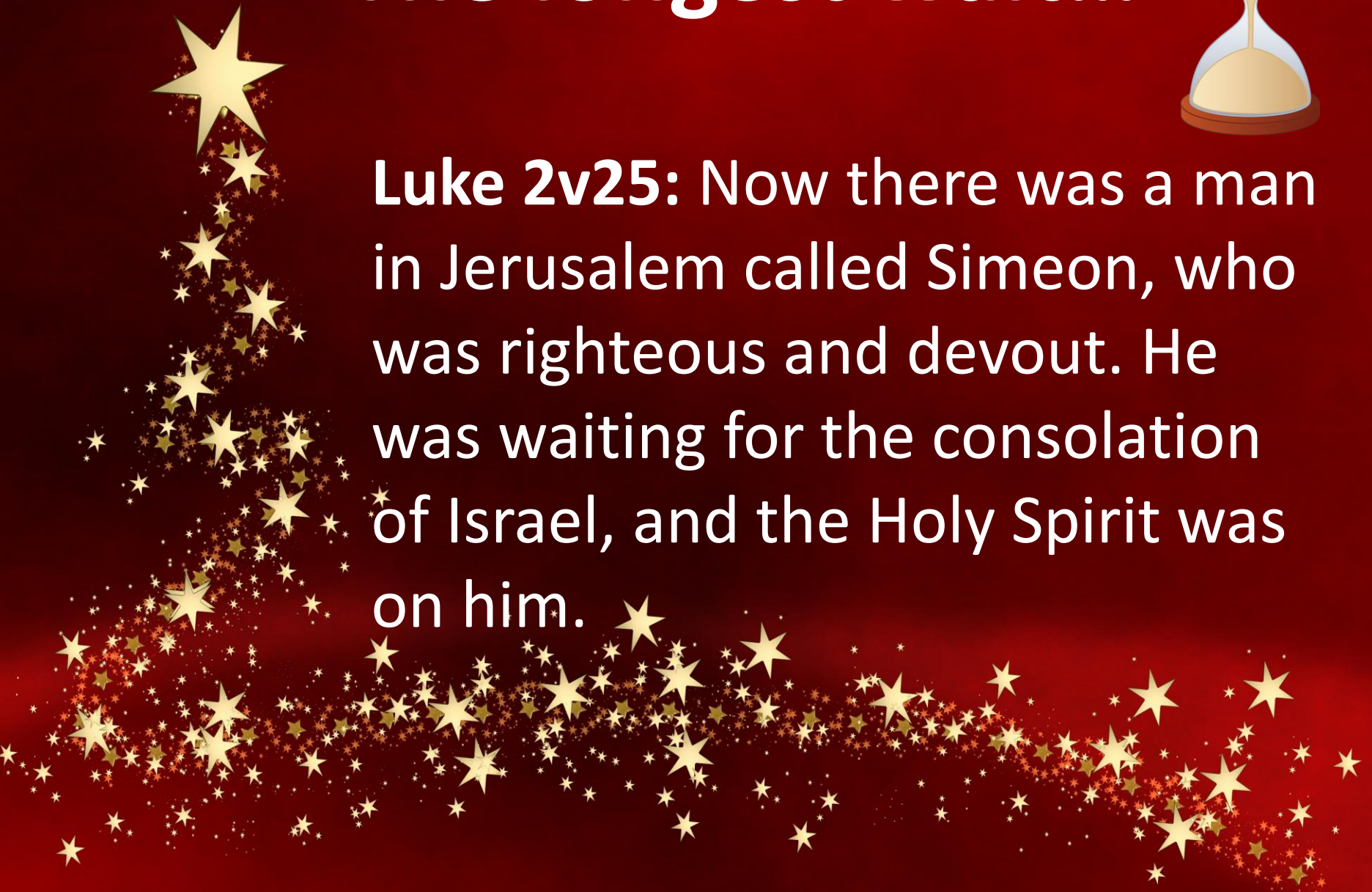
Luke 2v25-32



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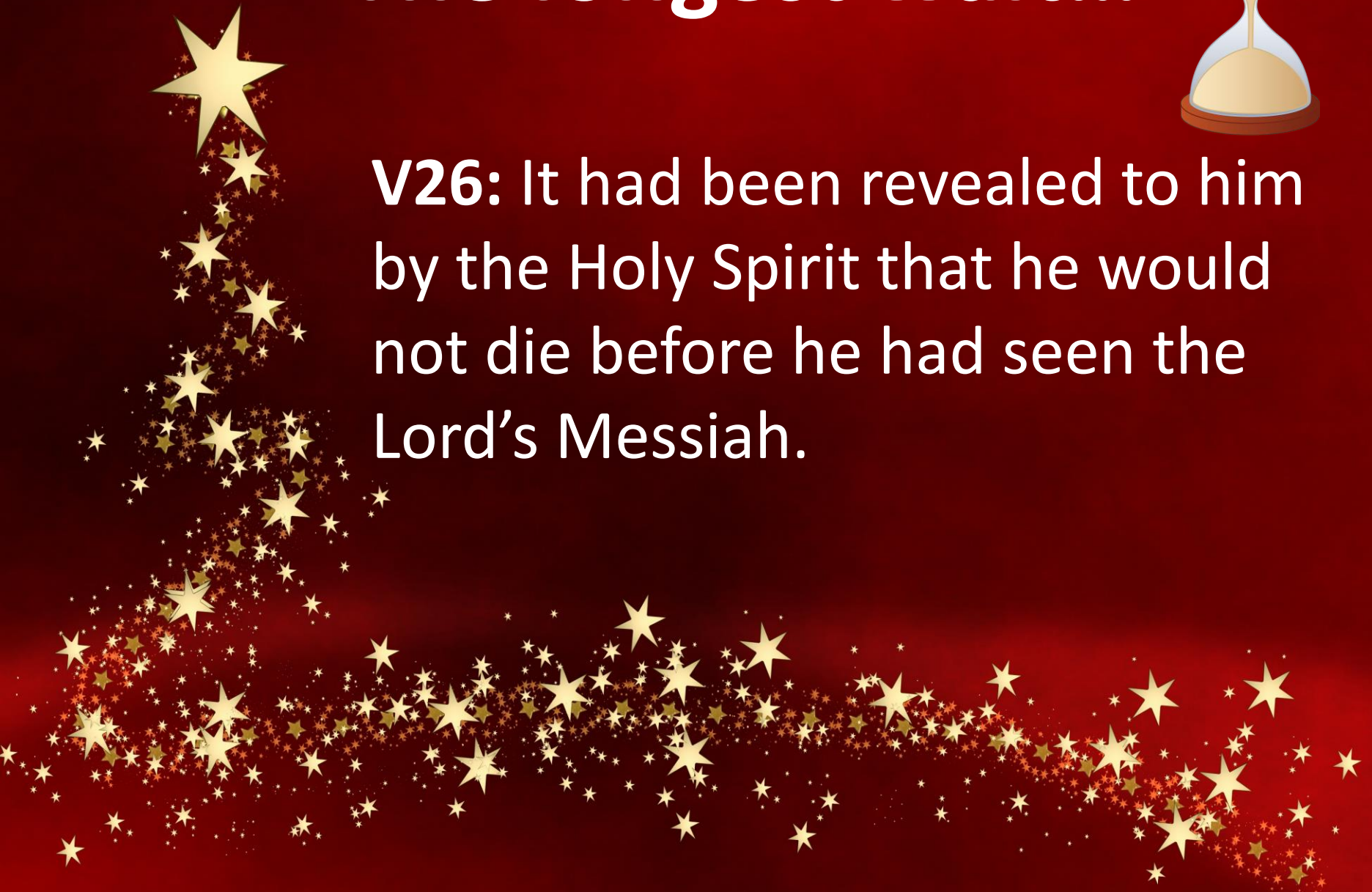
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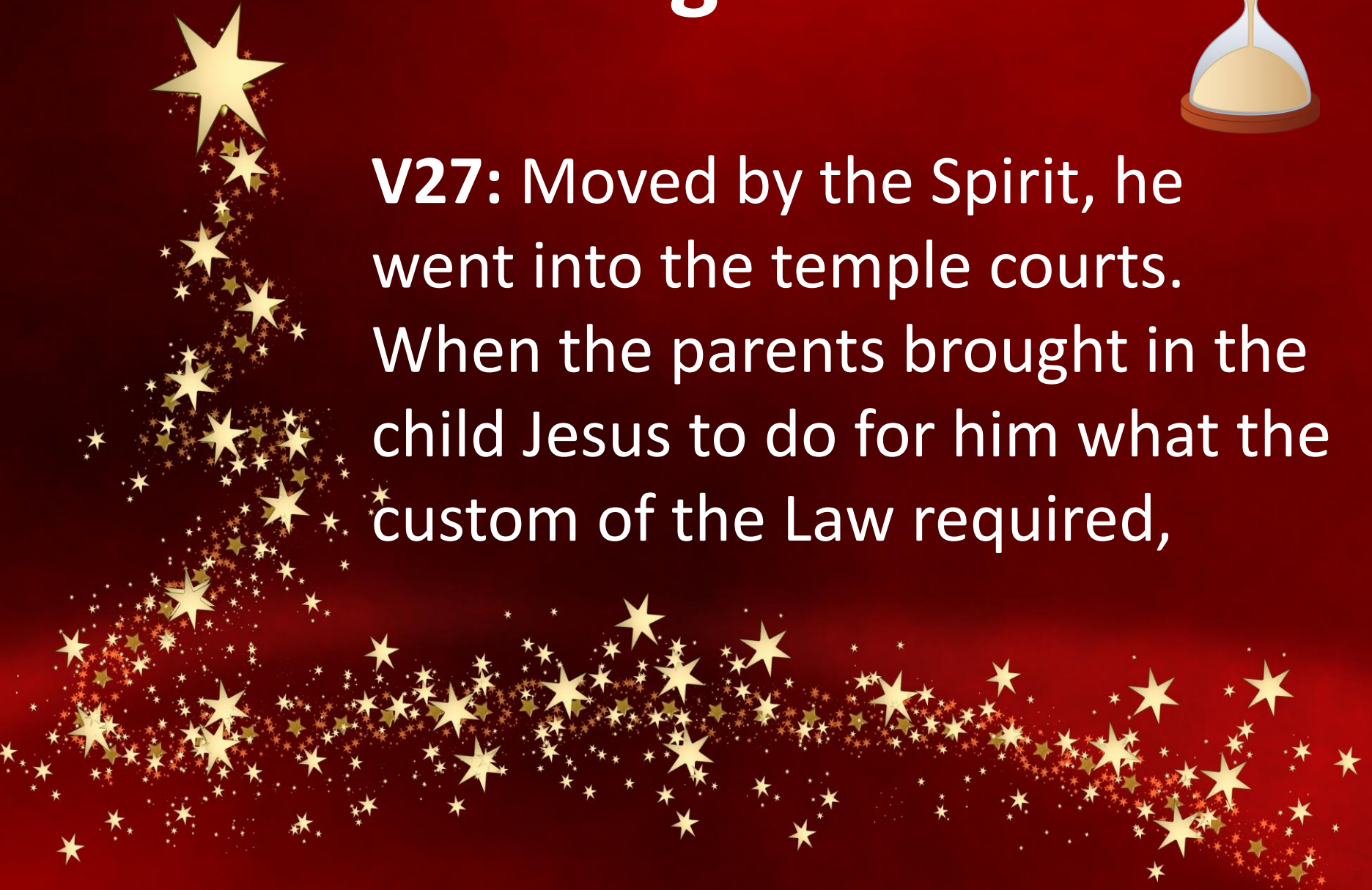
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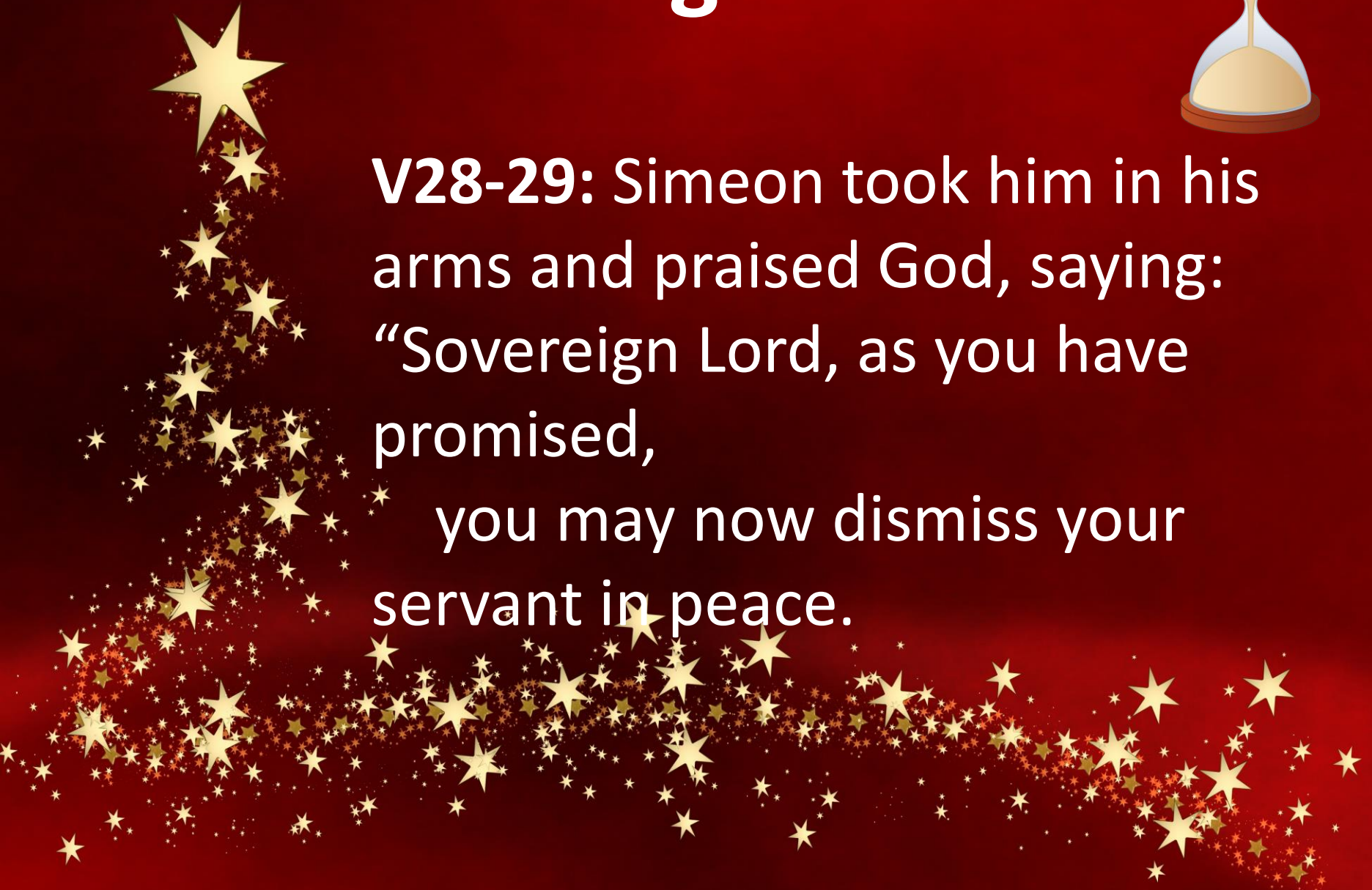
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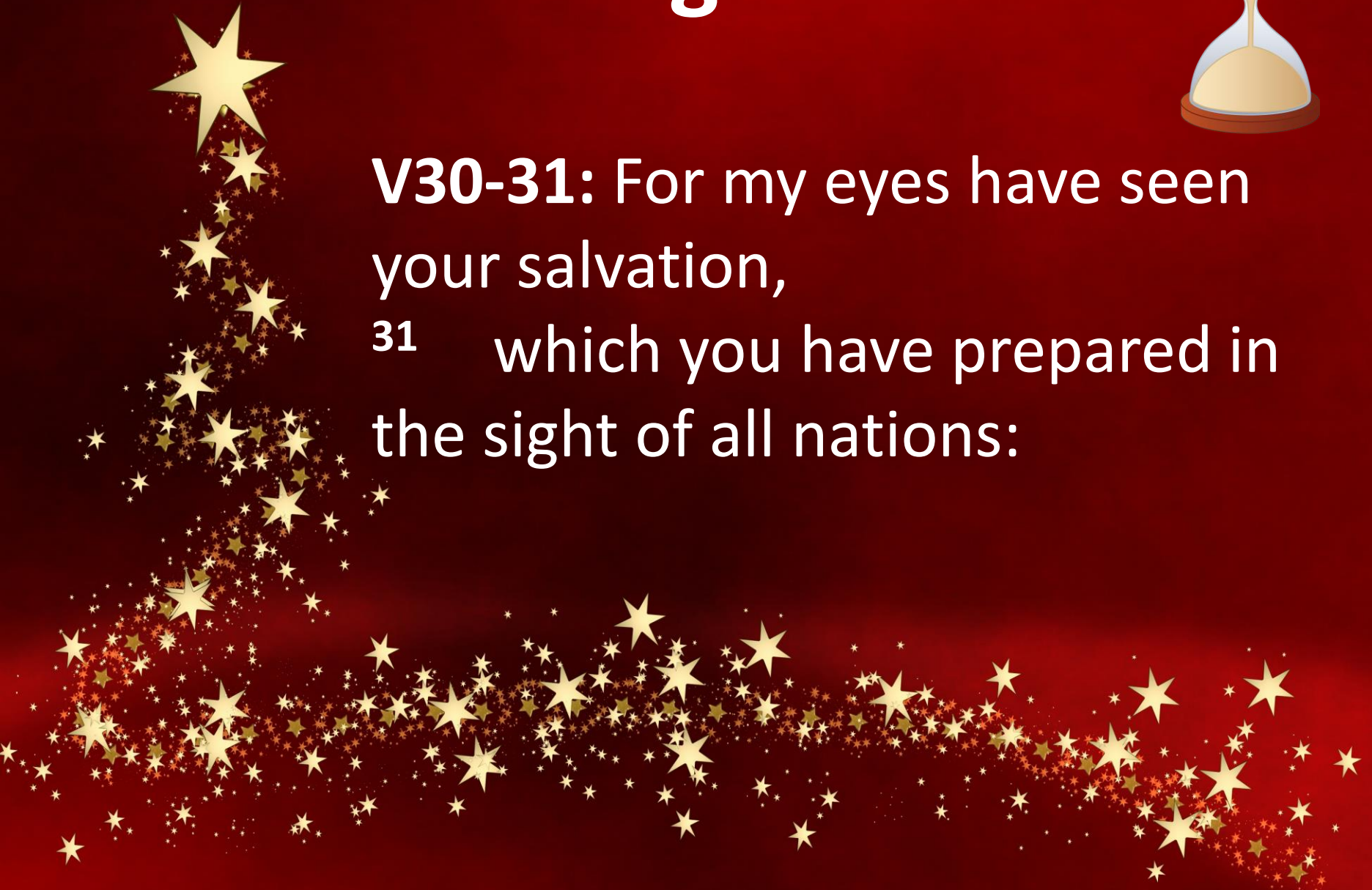
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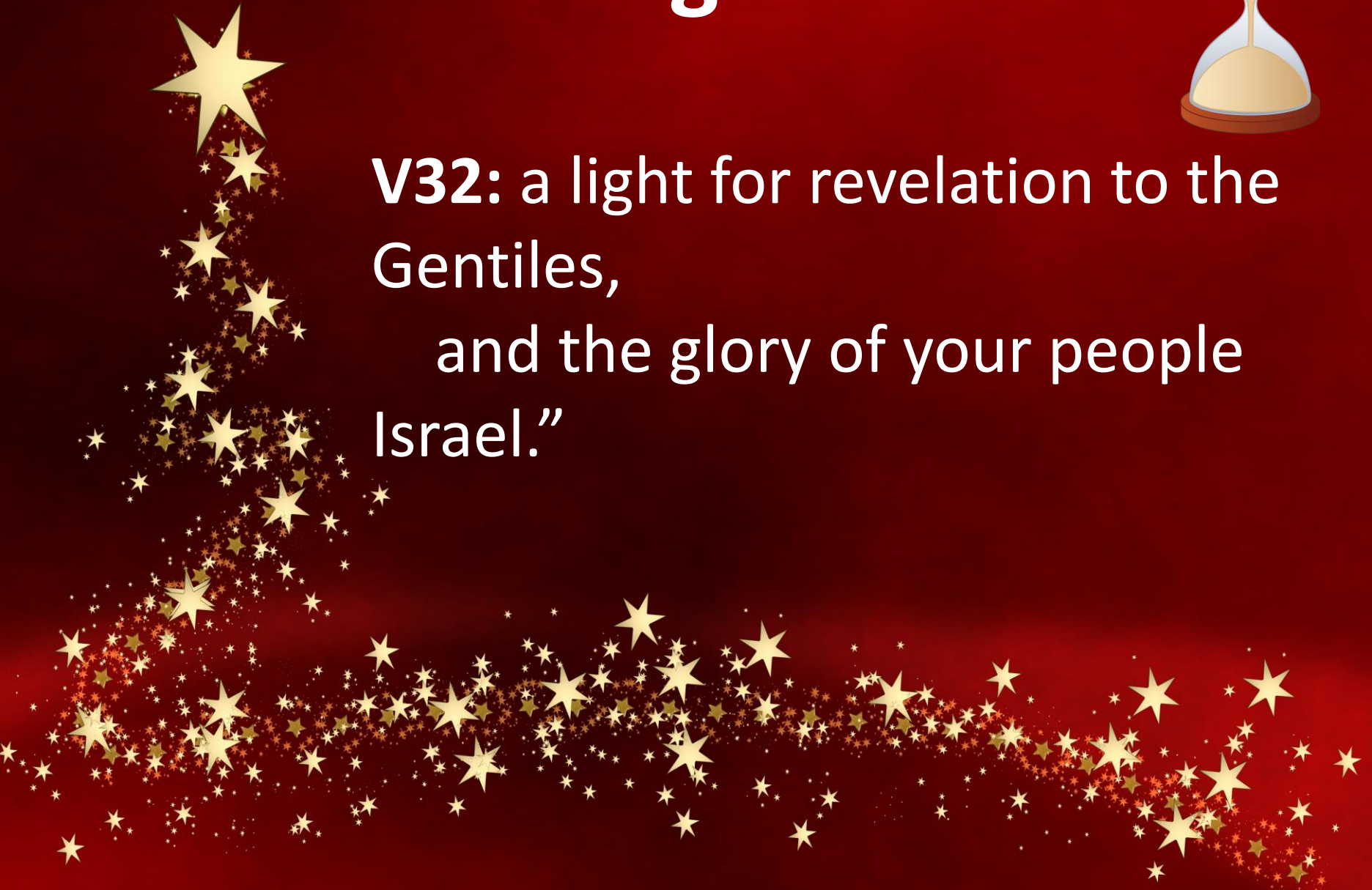
V30-31: For my eyes have seen
your salvation,
³¹ which you have prepared in
the sight of all nations:



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V32: a light for revelation to the
Gentiles,
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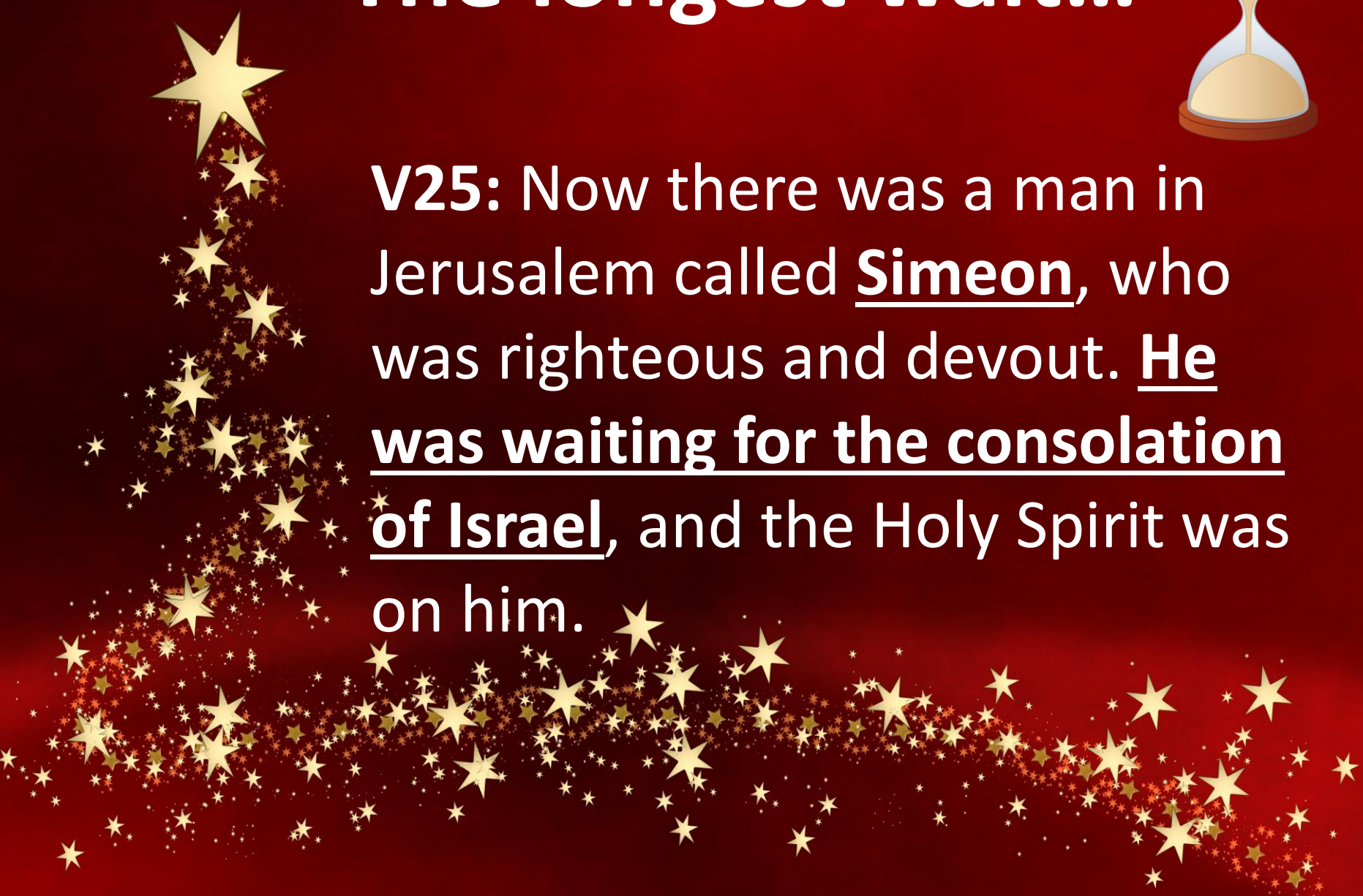
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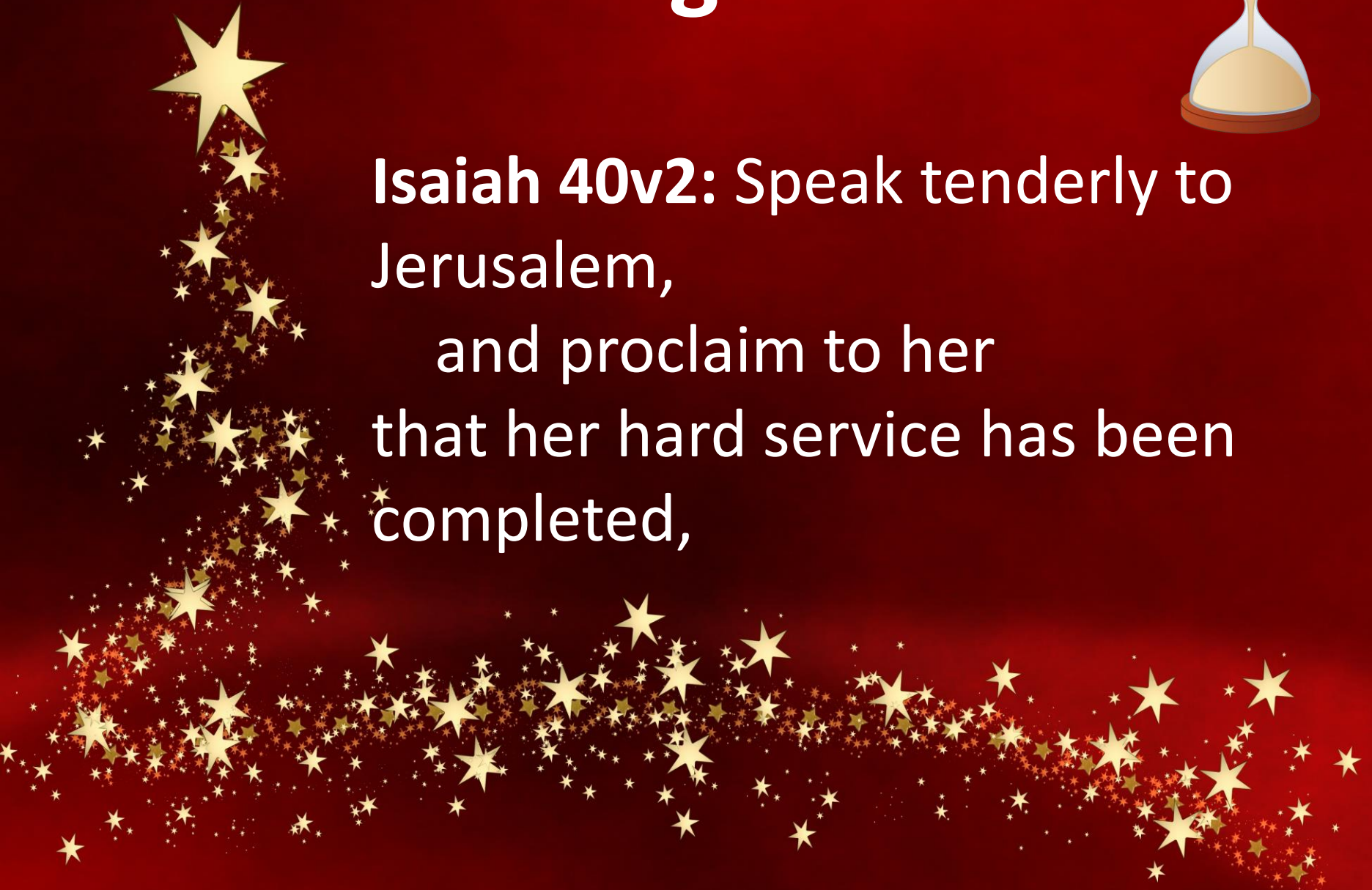
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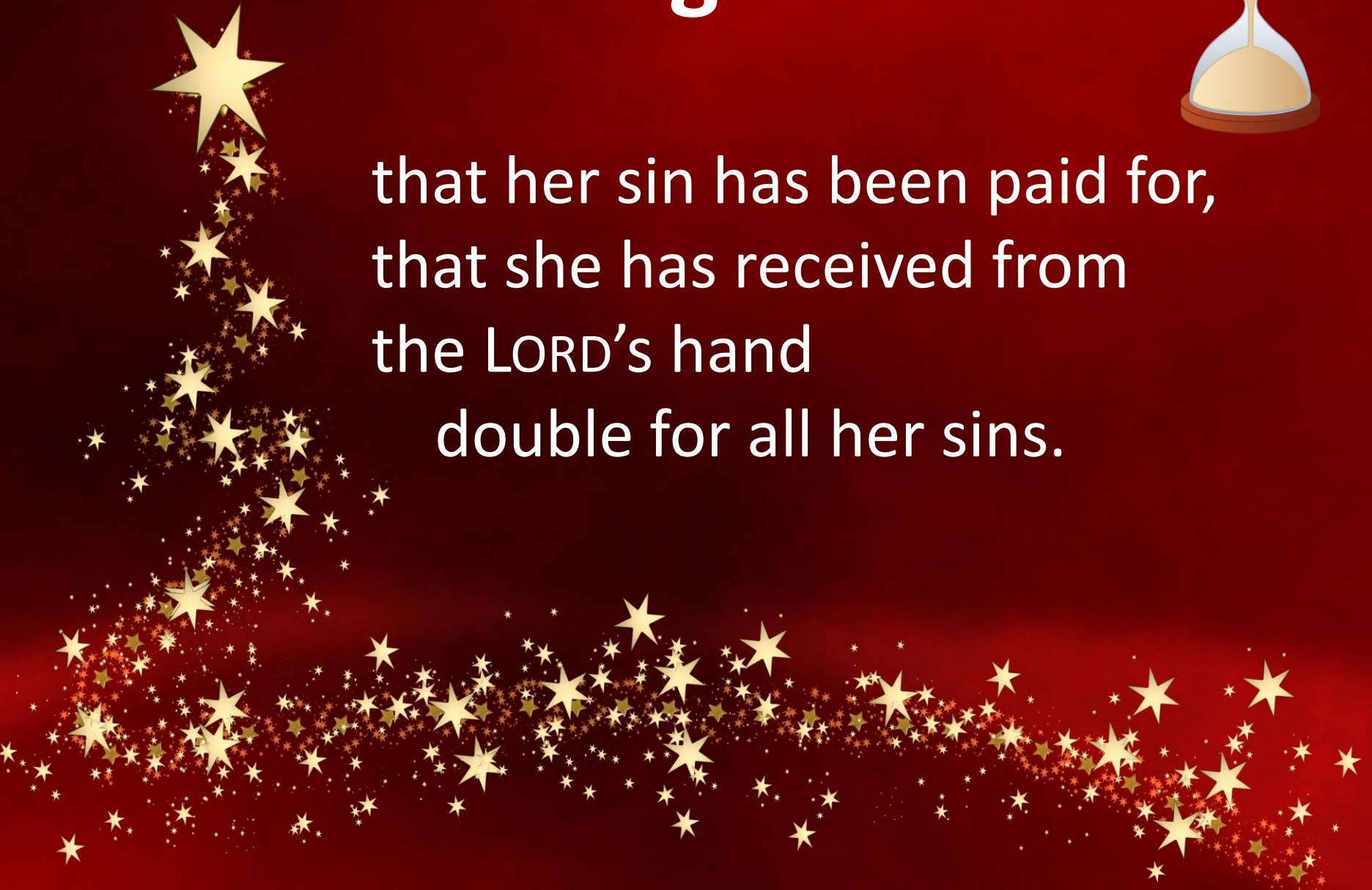
Isaiah 40v2: Speak tenderly to
Jerusalem,
and proclaim to her
that her hard service has been
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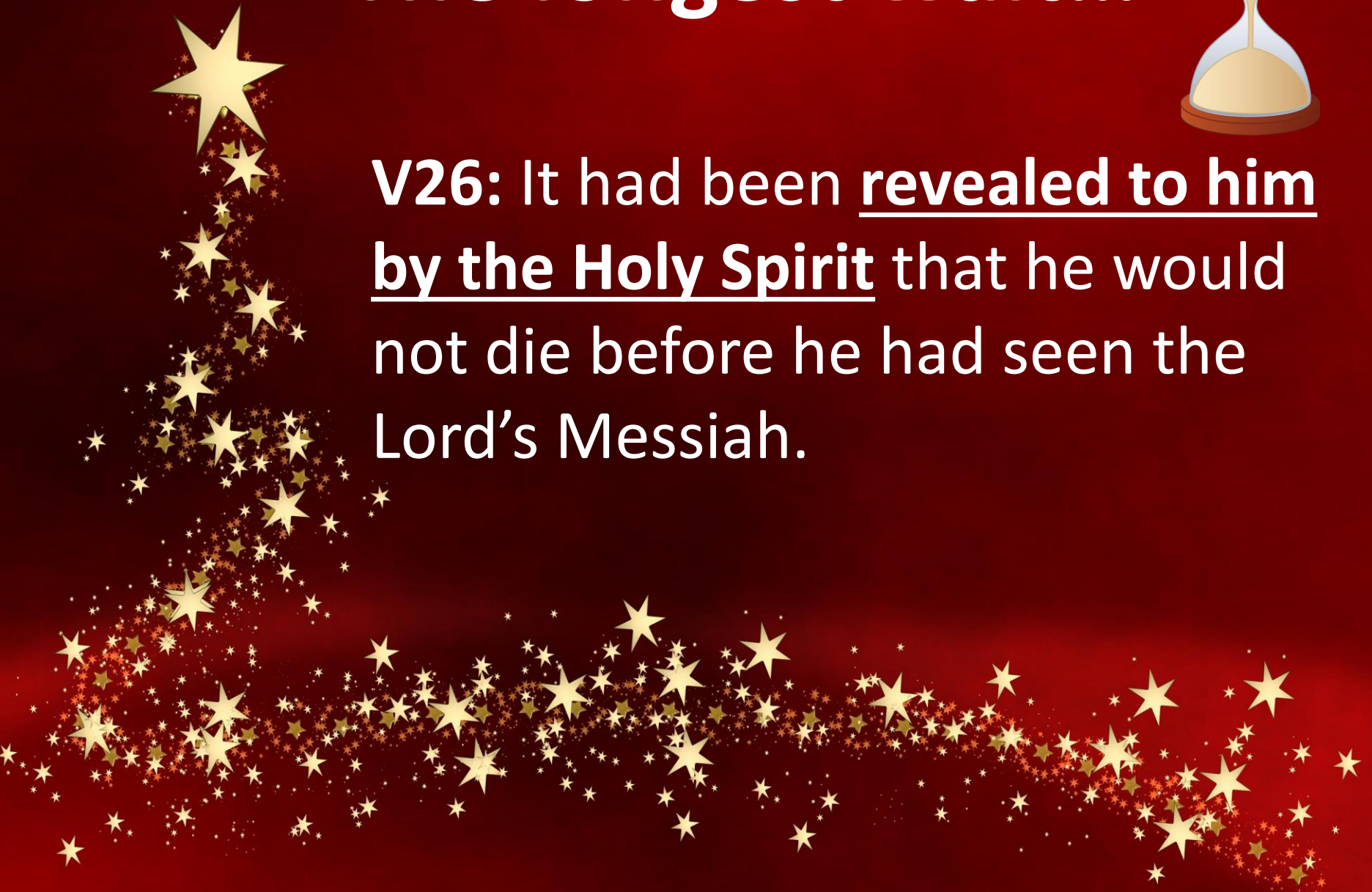
that her sin has been paid for,
that she has received from
the LORD's hand
double for all her sins.



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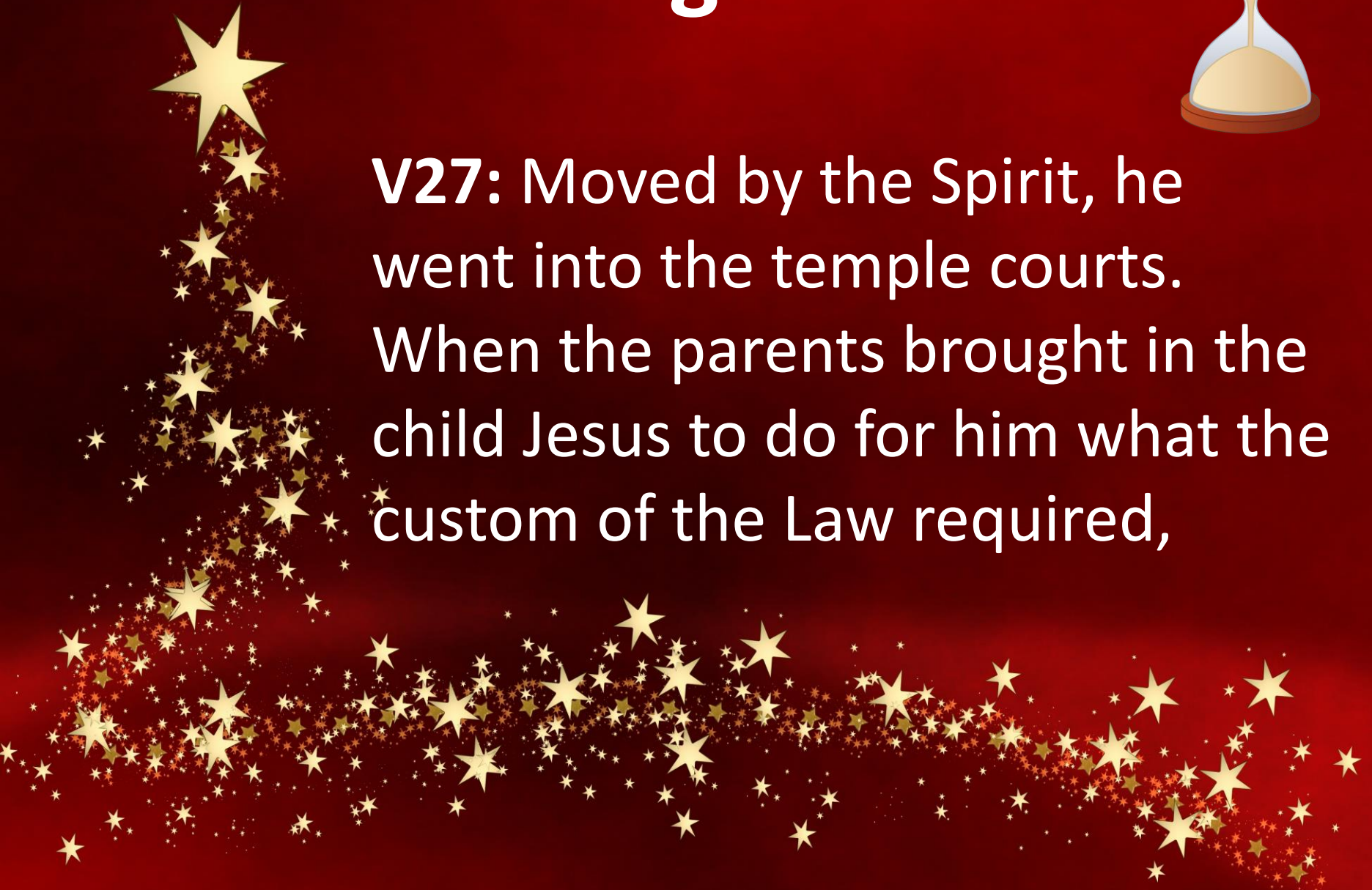
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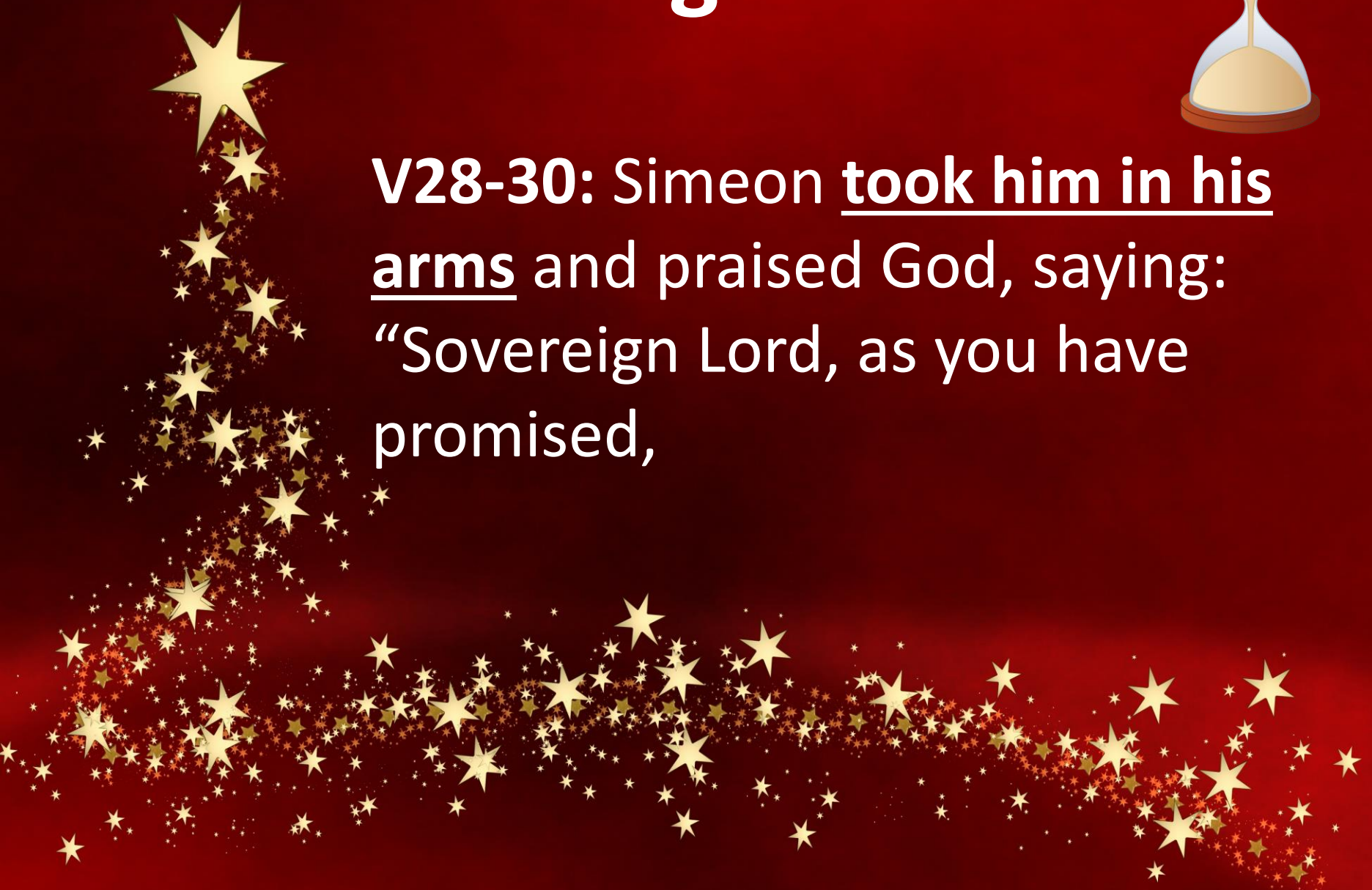
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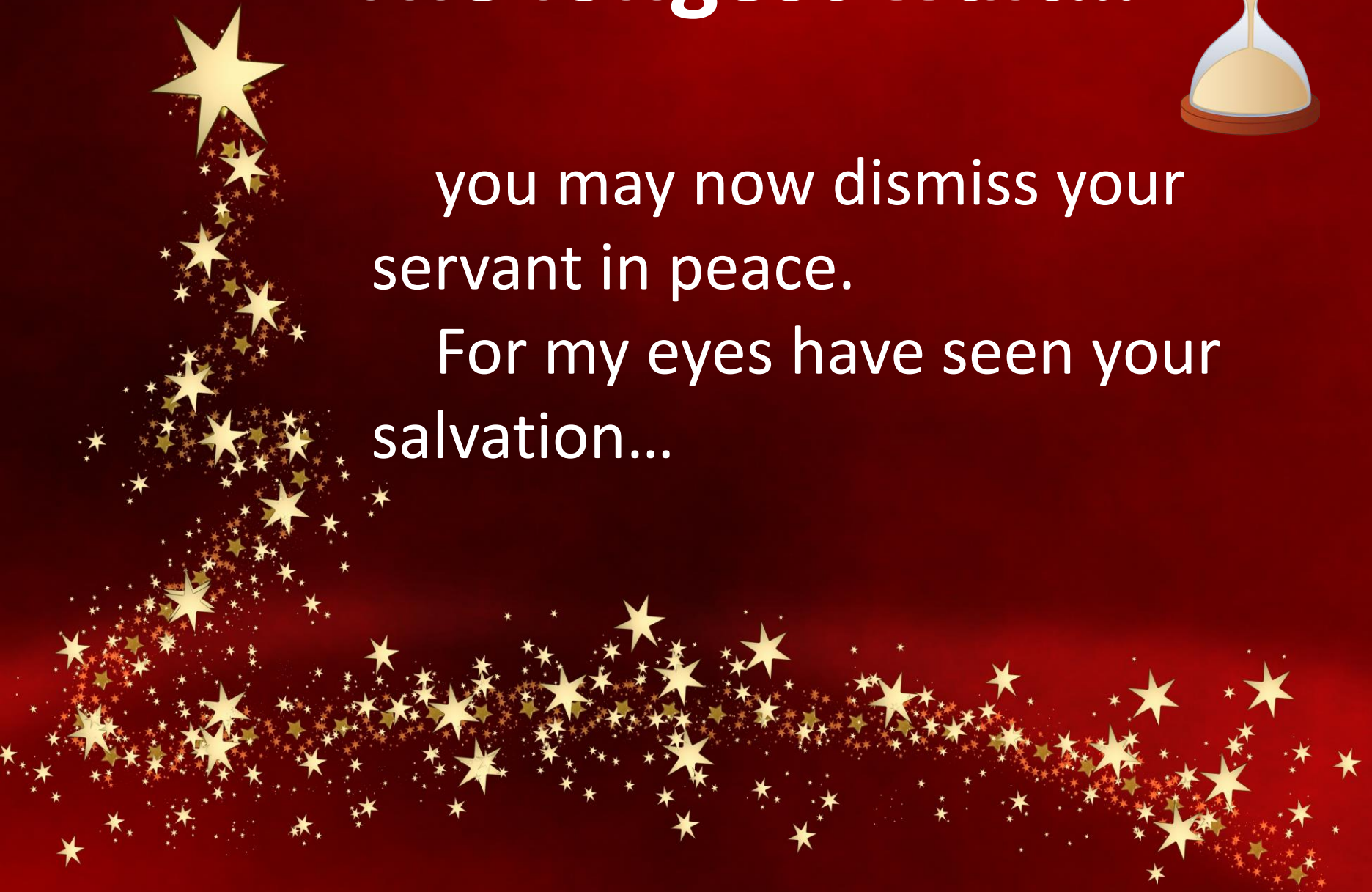


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you may now dismiss your
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For my eyes have seen your
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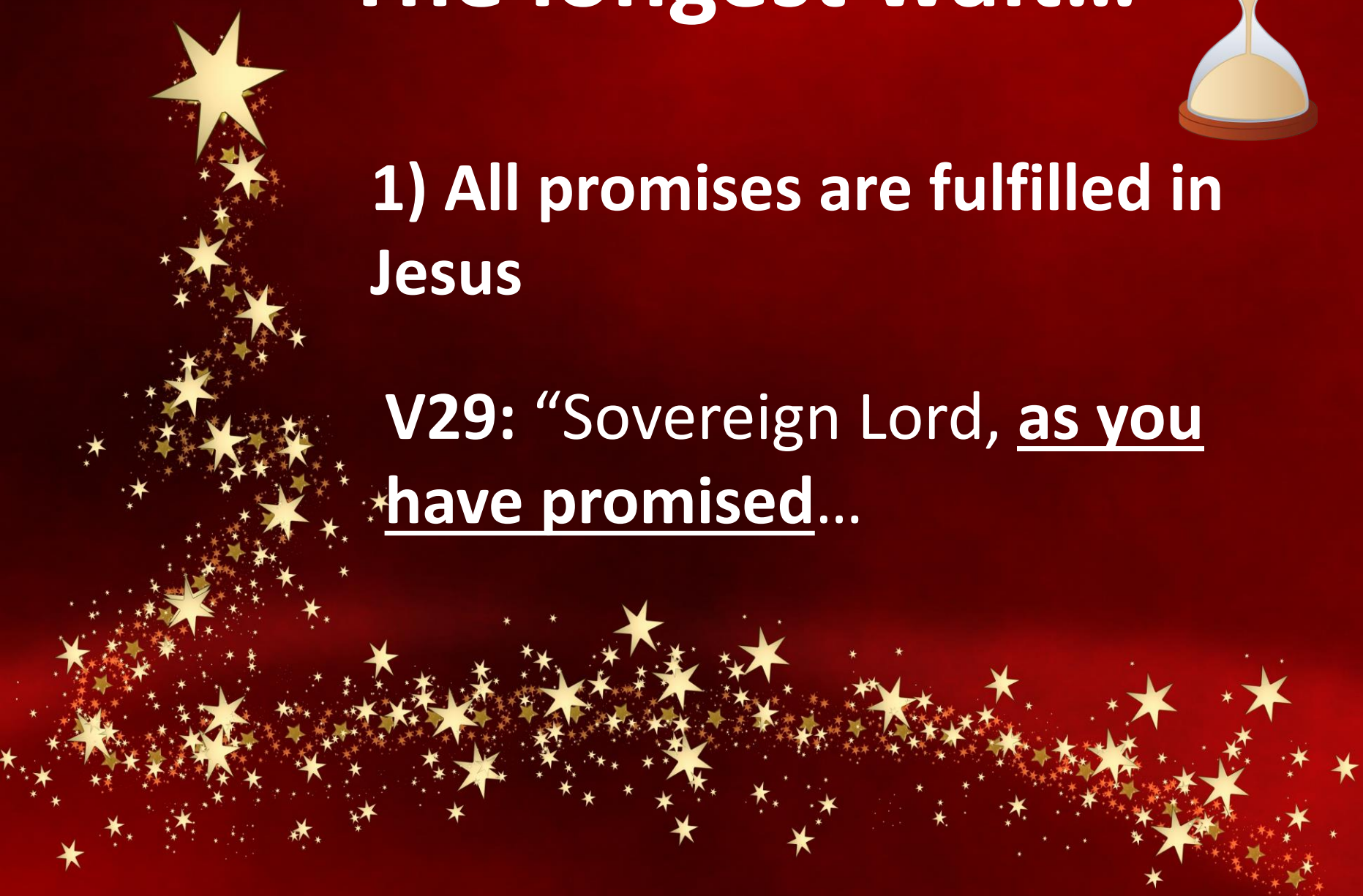


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1) All promises are fulfilled in Jesus

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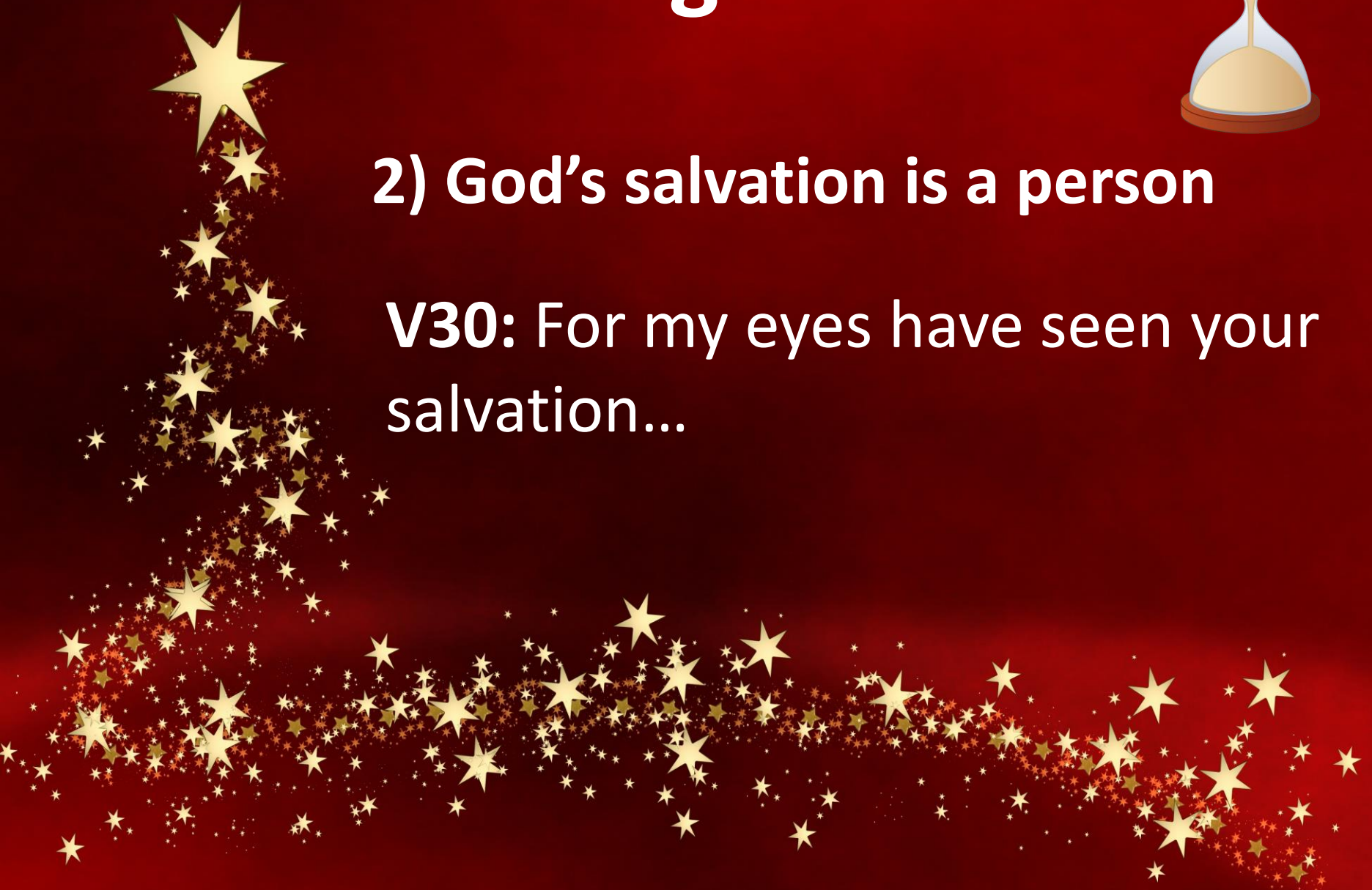


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2) God's salvation is a person

V30: For my eyes have seen your salvation...



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3) You can die happy if you know Jesus

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4) Jesus came for all people

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John 3v16: For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

