

# ONLY JESUS

... AND the story of  
RAHAB 'THE DO-NOTHING'









CONDEMNATION

SHAME

TERROR

BONDAGE

EXPOSING

INTIMIDATION

FEAR

DEATH

PAIN

LONELINESS

GRIEF

DECAY

ISOLATION





**PEACE**

**JOY**

**WARMTH**

**RHYTHM**

**FREEDOM**

**GROWTH**

**DIVERSITY**

**LIFE**

**REALITY**

**HEALTH**

**BEAUTY**

**REPLENISHING**

**TRUTH**

**VITALITY**

**CREATION**

**RESTORATION**

**WONDER**

# Psalm 32



# Isaiah 30

*“Everyone will be put to shame  
because of a people useless to them,  
who bring neither help nor advantage,  
but only shame and disgrace.”*

*... turning to that unprofitable nation,  
to Egypt, whose help is utterly useless.*

*Therefore I call her; “**Rahab the Do-Nothing**”.*

*Isaiah 30:5-7*

*Therefore, this is what the Holy One of Israel says:*

*“Because you have rejected this message,*

*relied on oppression and depended on deceit,*

*this sin will become for you like a high wall, cracked and bulging,*

*that collapses suddenly, in an instant.*

*It will break in pieces like pottery, shattered so mercilessly*

*that among its pieces not a fragment will be found*

*for taking coals from a hearth or scooping water out of a cistern.”*

*Isaiah 30:12-14*

*Yet the Lord longs to be gracious to you;  
therefore he will rise up to show you compassion.*

*For the Lord is a God of justice.*

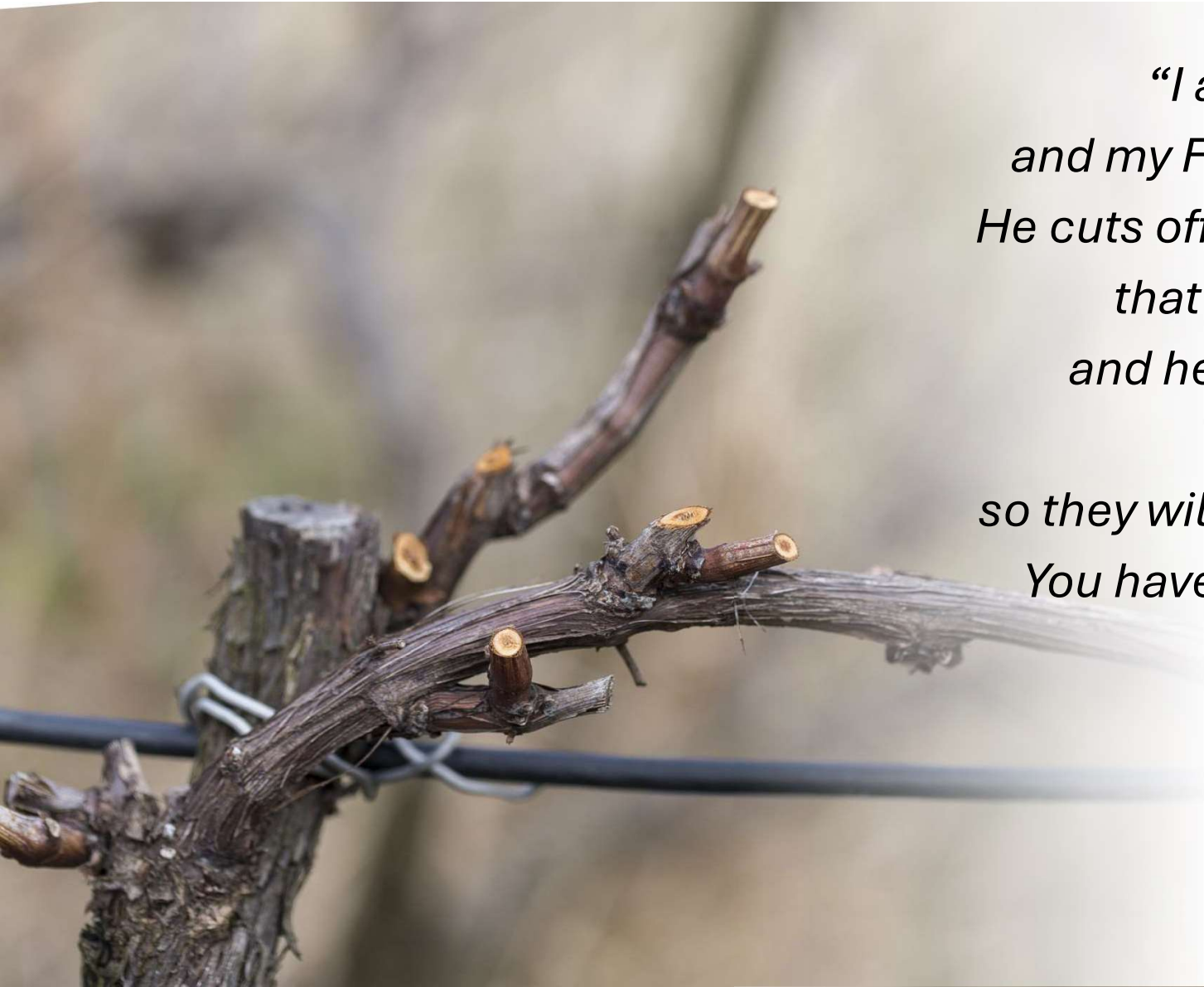
*Blessed are all who wait for him!*

*People of Zion, who live in Jerusalem,  
you will weep no more.*

*How gracious he will be when you cry for help!*

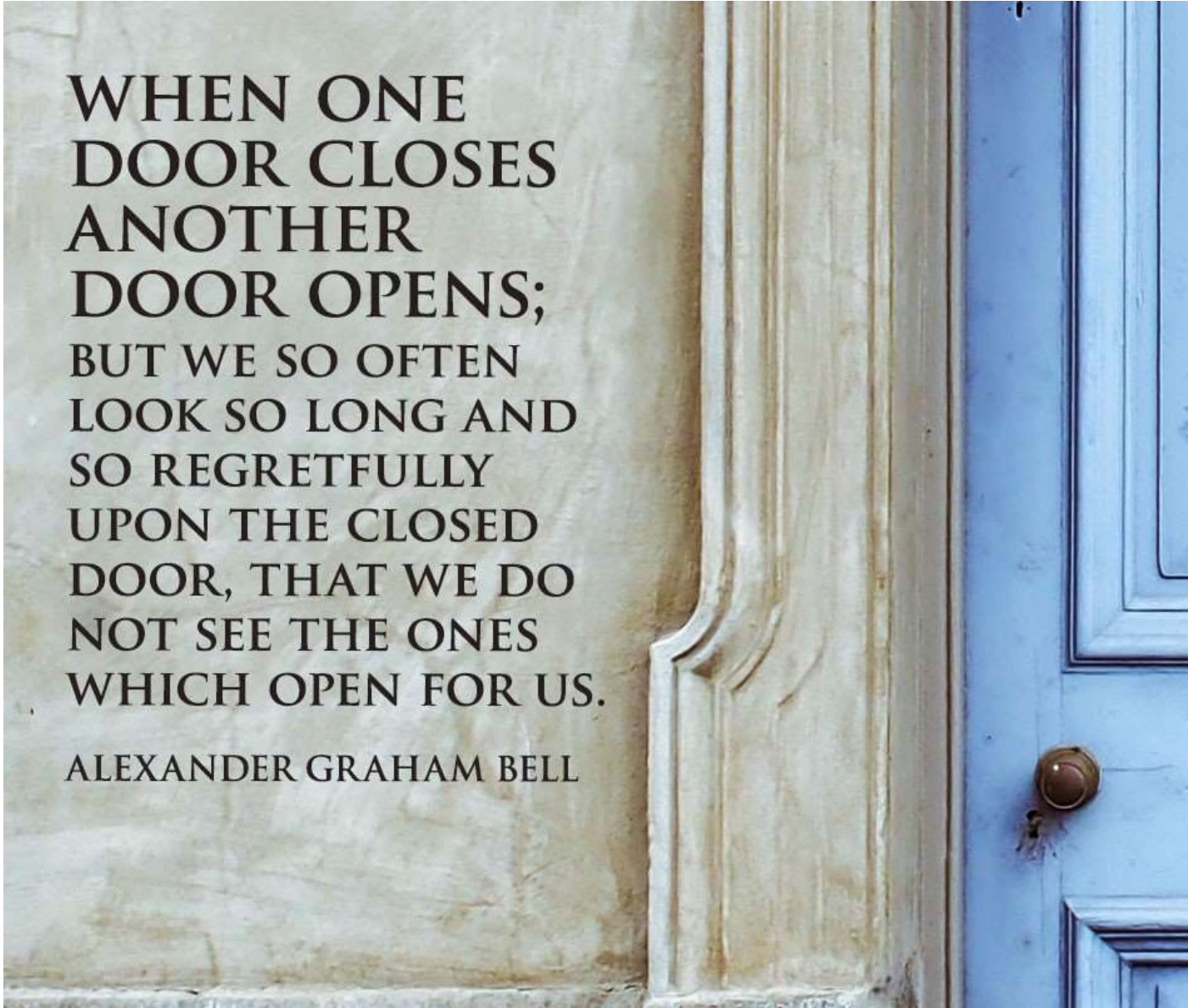
*As soon as he hears, he will answer you.*

*Isaiah 30: 18-19*



*“I am the true grapevine,  
and my Father is the gardener.  
He cuts off every branch of mine  
that doesn’t produce fruit,  
and he prunes the branches  
that do bear fruit  
so they will produce even more.  
You have already been pruned  
and purified  
by the message  
I have given you.*

John 15:1-3



WHEN ONE  
DOOR CLOSES  
ANOTHER  
DOOR OPENS;  
BUT WE SO OFTEN  
LOOK SO LONG AND  
SO REGRETFULLY  
UPON THE CLOSED  
DOOR, THAT WE DO  
NOT SEE THE ONES  
WHICH OPEN FOR US.

ALEXANDER GRAHAM BELL

*“So to keep me from becoming proud, I was given a thorn in my flesh,  
a messenger from Satan to torment me  
and keep me from becoming proud.*

*Three different times I begged the Lord to take it away.*

*Each time he said, “My grace is all you need.*

*My power works best in weakness.”*

*So now I am glad to boast about my weaknesses,  
so that the power of Christ can work through me.”*

2 Corinthians 12:7-9

*He will also send you rain for the seed you sow in the ground,  
and the food that comes from the land will be rich and plentiful. ...*

*The moon will shine like the sun,  
and the sunlight will be seven times brighter,  
like the light of seven full days,  
when the Lord binds up the bruises of his people  
and heals the wounds he inflicted.*

*Isaiah 30: 23 & 26*



*“Remain in me, and I will remain in you.  
For a branch cannot produce fruit  
if it is severed from the vine,  
and you cannot be fruitful  
unless you remain in me.  
“Yes, I am the vine;  
you are the branches.  
Those who remain in me,  
and I in them,  
will produce much fruit.  
For apart from me  
you can do nothing.”*

John 15:1-3

