



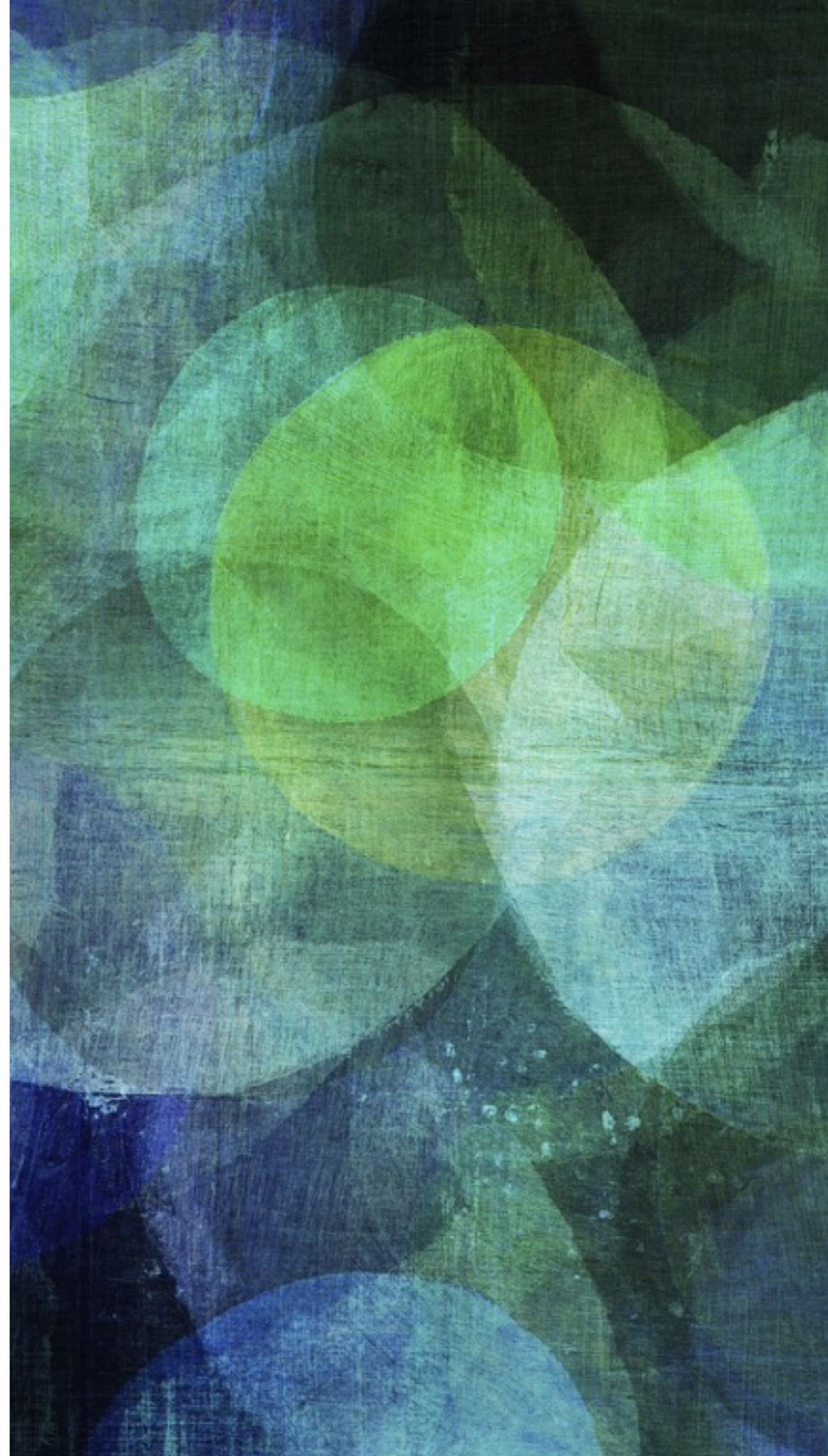
FINDING YOUR BEAUTIFUL VISION

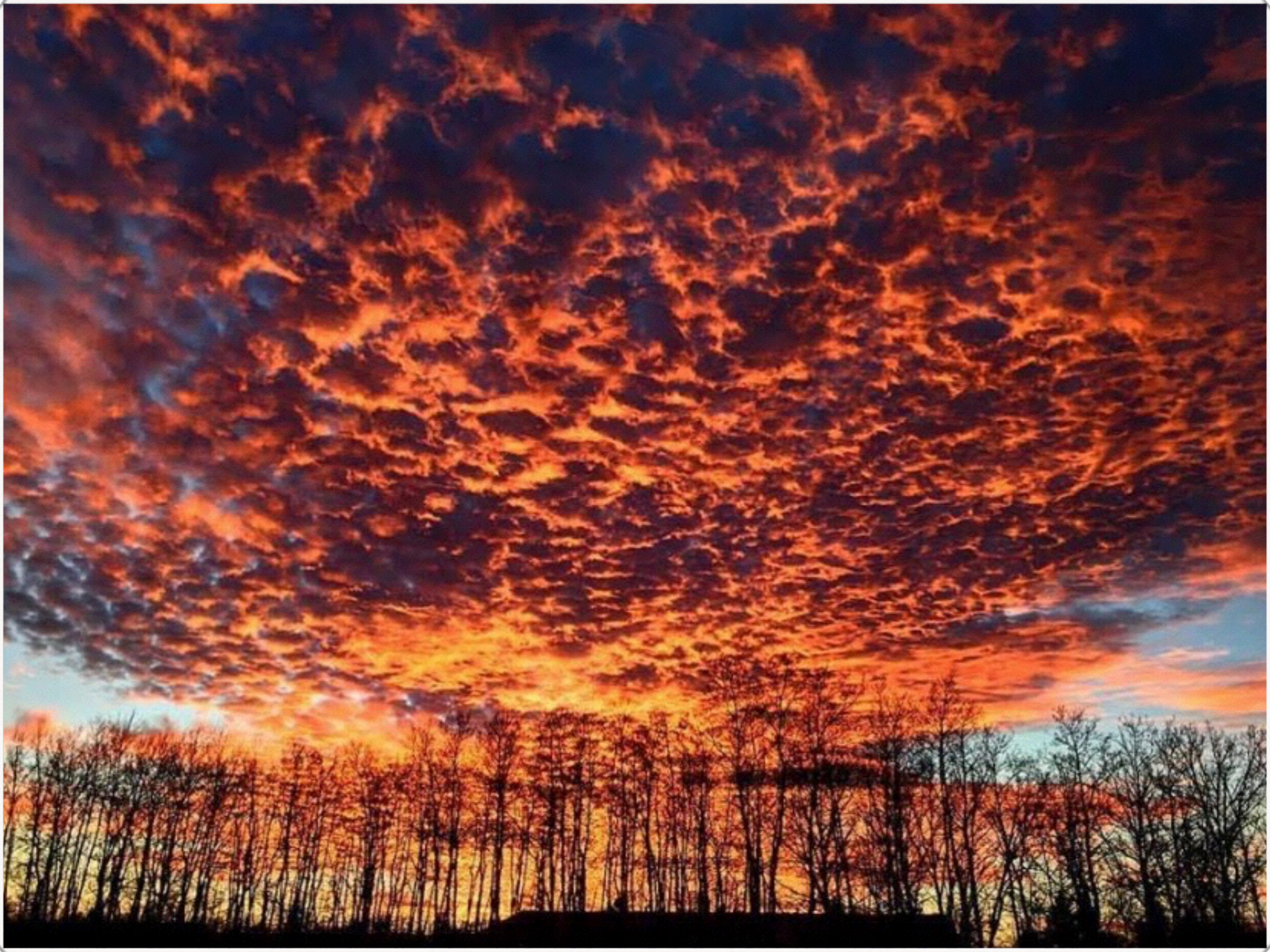
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PSALM 27:4

*“One thing I ask
from the Lord, this
only do I seek: that I
may dwell in the
house of the Lord all
the days of my life, to
gaze on the beauty of
the Lord and to seek
him in his temple.”*







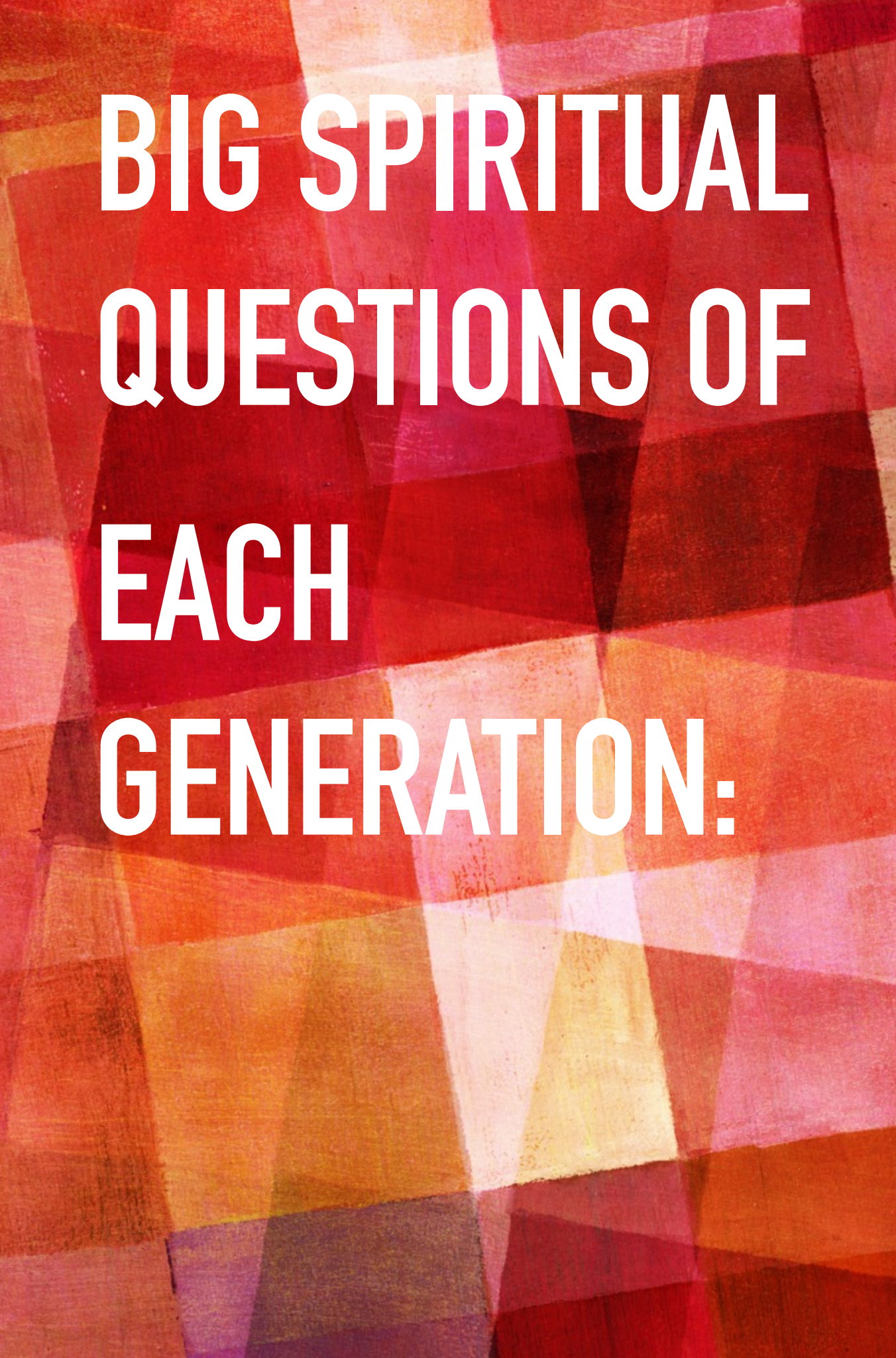




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BIG SPIRITUAL QUESTIONS OF EACH GENERATION:

- ▶ Boomers (1943 - 60)
WHAT IS TRUE?
- ▶ Gen X (1961 - 81)
WHAT IS REAL?
- ▶ Millennials (1982 - 02)
WHAT IS GOOD?
- ▶ iGeneration (2003 +)
WHAT IS BEAUTIFUL?

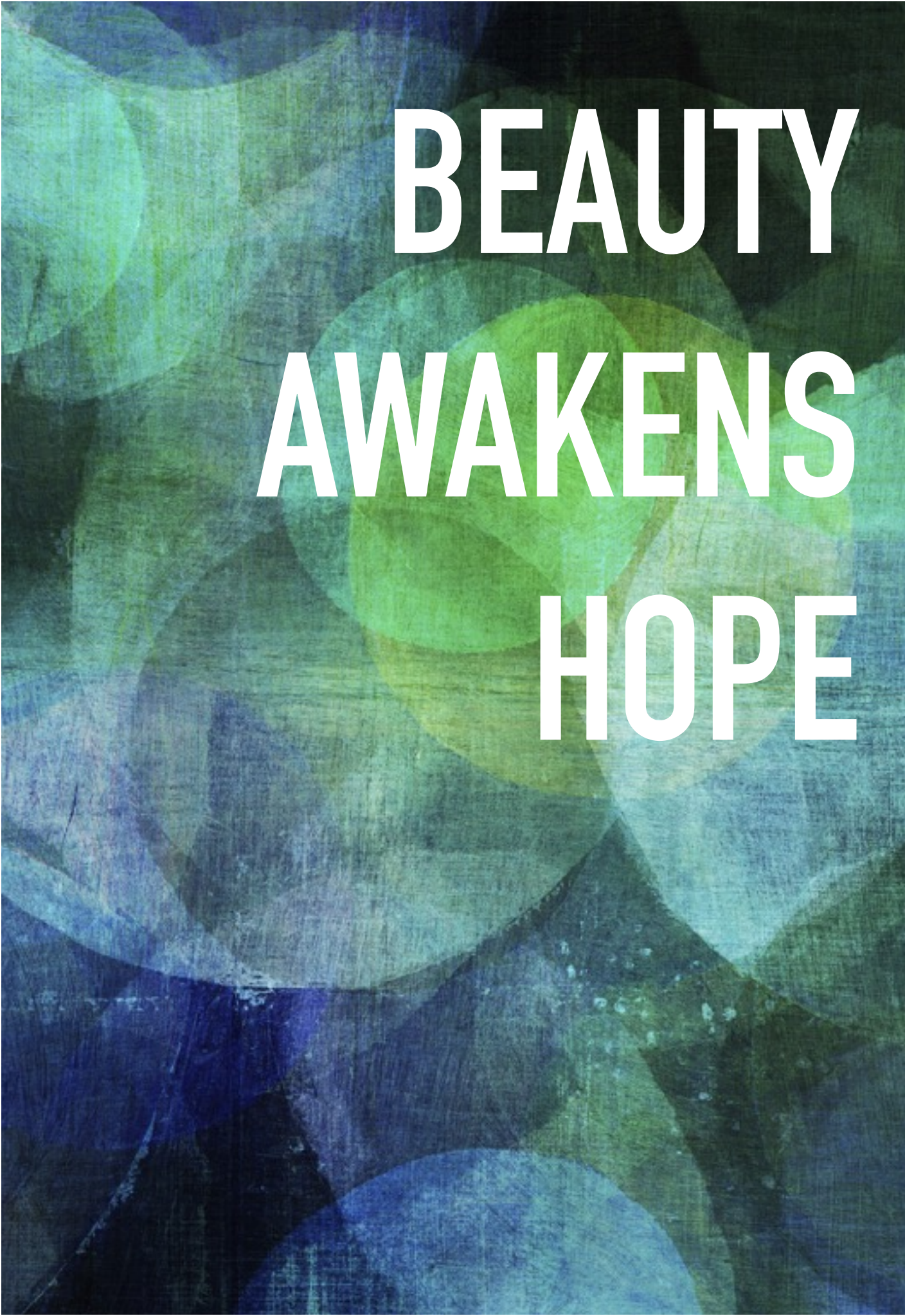
A large, multi-colored rainbow banner is stretched across a grassy area in a park. The banner features the text "BEAUTY WILL SAVE THE WORLD" in bold, dark blue capital letters. The background shows a large, leafy tree and a bright sky. The banner is made of several vertical strips of fabric in the colors of the rainbow: red, orange, yellow, green, cyan, blue, and purple.

BEAUTY WILL SAVE THE WORLD

FYODOR DOSTOYEVSKY (in *The Idiot*)

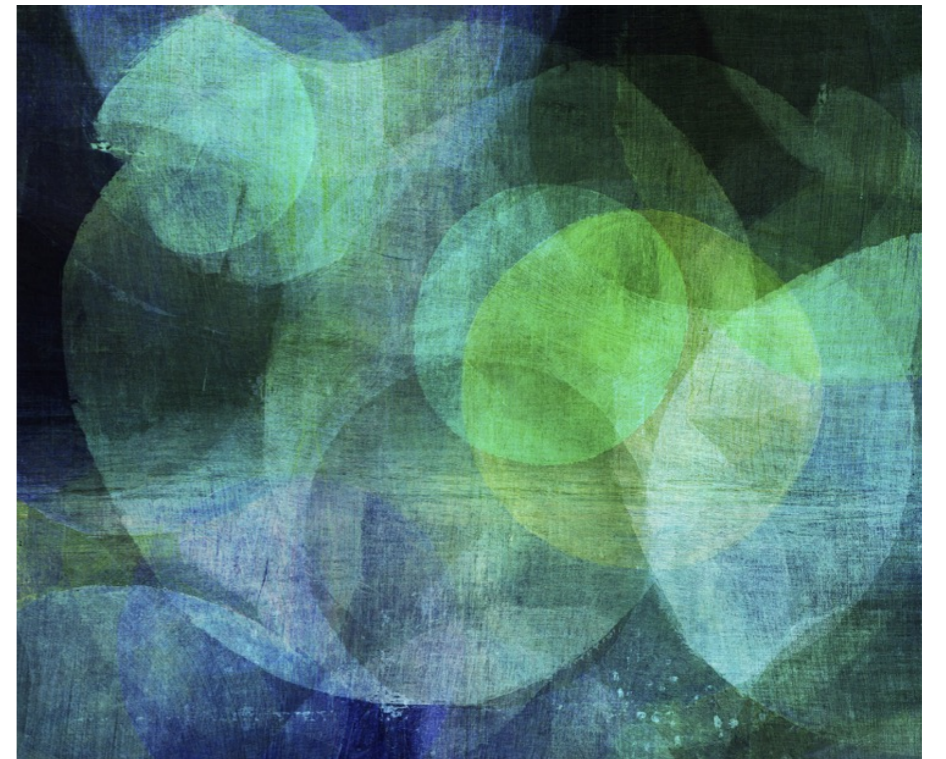
ECCLESIASTES 3:11

“God has made everything beautiful for its own time. He has planted eternity in the human heart...”



BEAUTY
AWAKENS
HOPE

**GOD IS NOT A
SYMBOL OF
GOODNESS:
GOODNESS IS A
SYMBOL OF GOD!**



~G. K. Chesterton

ALEXANDER SOLZHENITSYN (in Nobel Prize Speech)



“Perhaps... the old trinity of Truth, Goodness and Beauty is not simply the dressed up, worn out formula we thought in our presumptuous, materialistic youth. If the crowns of these three trees meet, and if the too obvious, too straight sprouts of Truth and Goodness have been knocked down, cut off, not let grow— perhaps the whimsical, unpredictable, unexpected branches of Beauty will work their way through, rise up to that very place, and thus complete the work of all three.”

N.T. WRIGHT (in *Surprised By Hope*)

“Part of the role of the church in the past was – and could and should be again – to foster and sustain lives of beauty and aesthetic meaning at every level, from music making in the village pub to drama in the local primary school, from artists’ and photographers’ workshops to still-life painting classes, from symphony concerts to driftwood sculptures. The church, because it is the family that believes in hope for new creation, should be the place in every town and village where new creation bursts forth for the whole community, pointing to the hope that, like all beauty, always comes as a surprise.”



PSALM 29:2

*Give to the
Eternal the glory
due His name;
worship
Him with lavish
displays of
sacred
splendour.*

