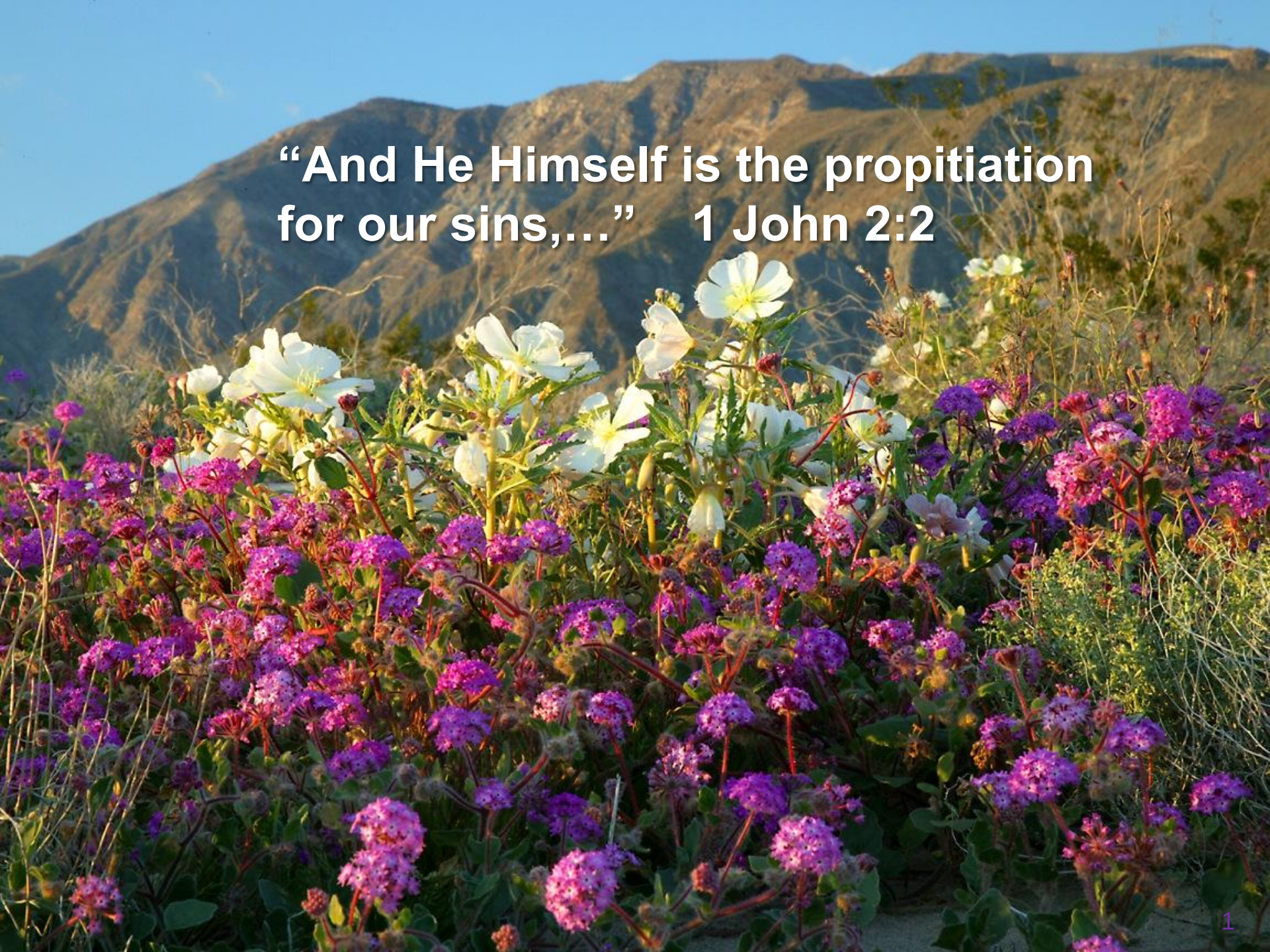

“And He Himself is the propitiation
for our sins,…” 1 John 2:2

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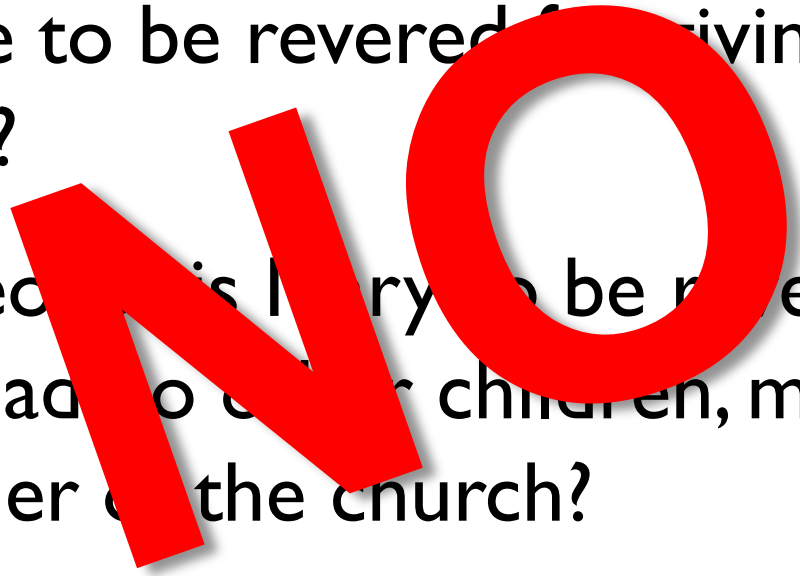
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- "Yes, according to the Catholic Church and Orthodox Christian traditions, Mary remained perpetually a virgin, a doctrine known as the perpetual virginity of Mary. This belief asserts that Mary was a virgin before, during, and after the birth of Jesus, with Jesus conceived by the Holy Spirit."
- "The Greek term "adelphoi" used to refer to Jesus' "brothers," could also mean cousins or extended family in the culture of the time."

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- "Being a perpetual virgin signifies her total consecration to God, her purity and humility, and her role as a spiritual mother to all Christians, symbolizing the pure and fruitful church."
- "Mary's perpetual virginity is seen as a physical sign of her complete and lifelong dedication to God, a vow she kept even after conceiving Jesus."
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According to God…

- There is no Bible evidence to support Mary had any role, other than giving birth to the physical body of Jesus.
- Moreover, Bible evidence proves that Jesus was not the only child to whom Mary gave birth.

Jesus had siblings

- Jesus had brothers and sisters – Matthew 13:55-56, Mark 6:3
- Jesus' mother, Mary, and His brothers came to see Him – Matthew 12:46-50, Mark 3:31-35

His brothers, specifically

Before His Death

- John 7:5 – do not believe in Him
- After Jesus' crucifixion and death, Bible records one brother will step forward –

James

After Resurrection

- Acts 1:13-14
- 1 Corinthians 15:3-8
- Working with the church in Jerusalem - Acts 15:13-21 Acts 21:18 Galatians 2:8-12

What does God help us understand?

- 1. Jesus is the only one we revere, for He purified the church – Eph. 1:7 & 5:25-27, Phil. 3:9-10, Col. 1:13-14
- 2. The perpetual virginity of Mary is false, as is doctrine of her purifying the church.
- 3. The resurrection of Jesus is powerful.
- 4. Unbelief can be overcome.

What must I do to be saved? *Acts 16:30*

- **Believe in Jesus –**
  John 8:24/3:16
- **Repent of Sins –**
  Luke 13:3-5; Acts 2:38/7:30-31
- **Confess your Faith in Jesus –**
  Matthew 10:32-33; Romans 10:9
- **Baptism for the Remission Of Sins –**
  Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38/22:16
- **Live Faithfully for the Remainder of Life –**
  Revelation 2:10; James 2:10
- **Remember Matthew 7:21-23** *(not everyone, but…)*