




Prepared for Prosperity?

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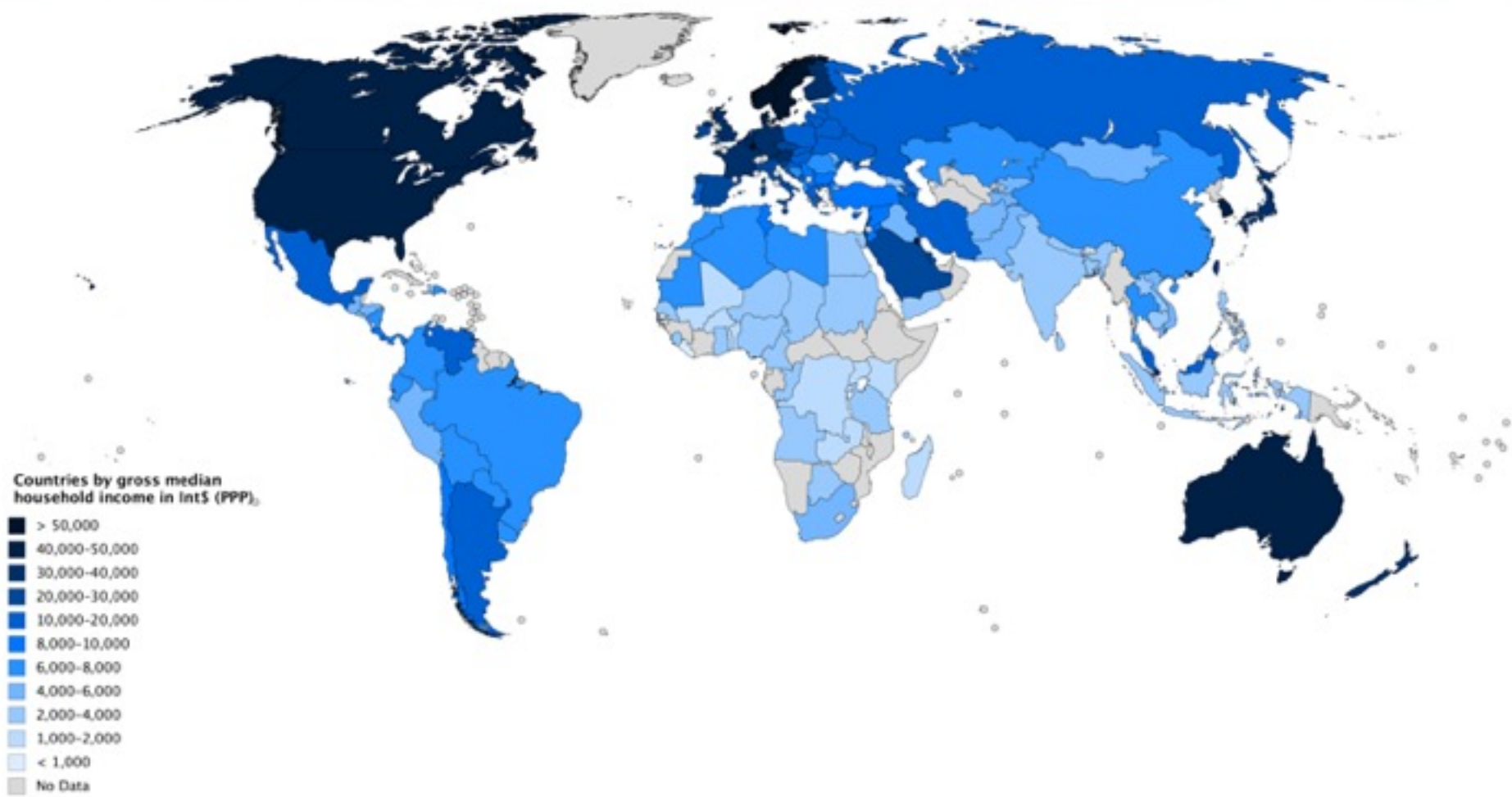



The Reality of Prosperity

Deuteronomy 8:6-9

⁶ Observe the commands of the LORD your God, walking in obedience to him and revering him.

⁷ For the LORD your God is bringing you into a good land—a land with brooks, streams, and deep springs gushing out into the valleys and hills; ⁸ a land with wheat and barley, vines and fig trees, pomegranates, olive oil and honey; ⁹ a land where bread will not be scarce and you will lack nothing; a land where the rocks are iron and you can dig copper out of the hills.





The Danger of Prosperity

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¹⁵ He led you through the vast and dreadful wilderness, that thirsty and waterless land, with its venomous snakes and scorpions. He brought you water out of hard rock.

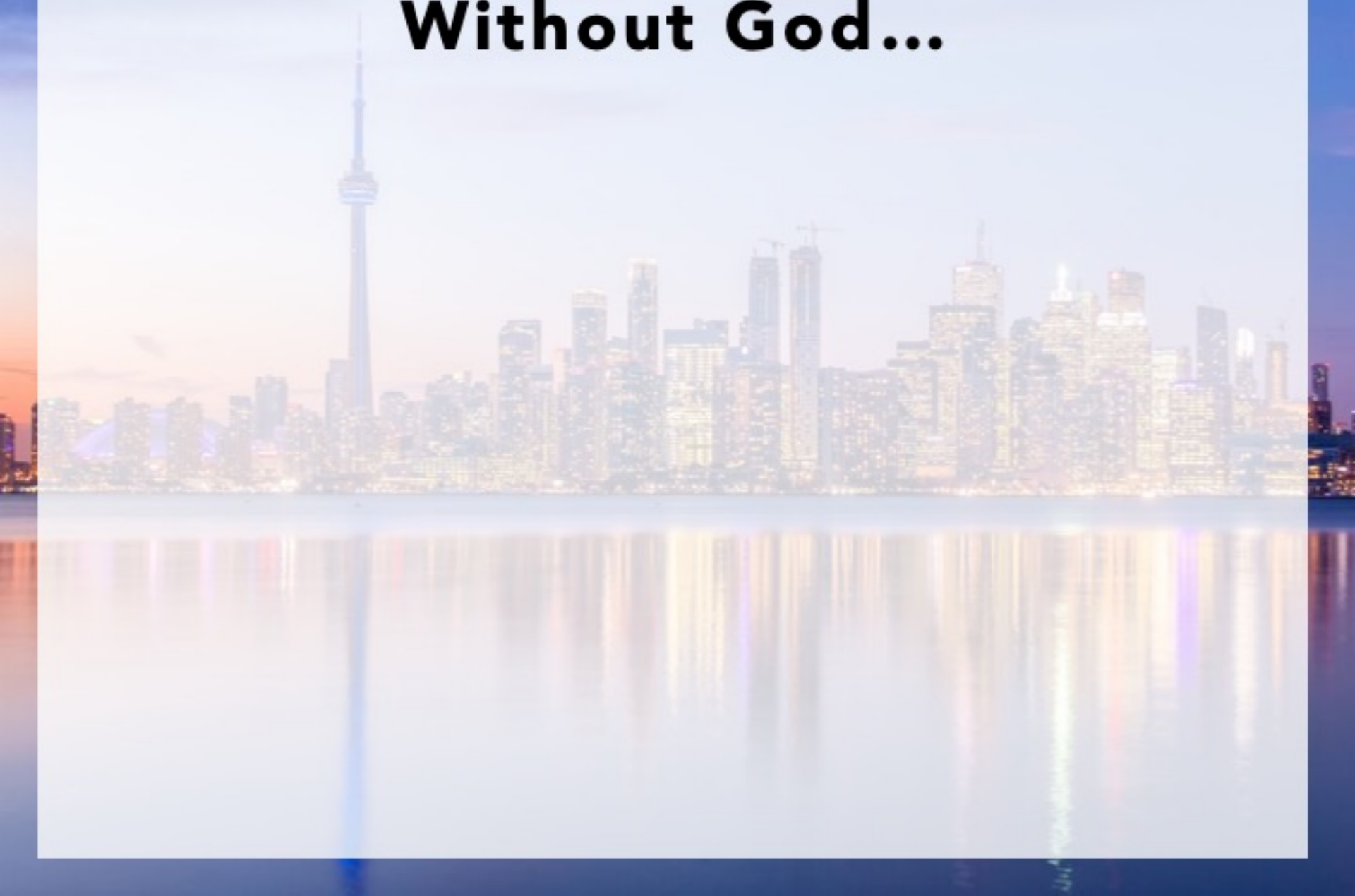
¹⁶ He gave you manna to eat in the wilderness, something your ancestors had never known, to humble and test you so that in the end it might go well with you.

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¹⁷ You may say to yourself, "My power and the strength of my hands have produced this wealth for me."

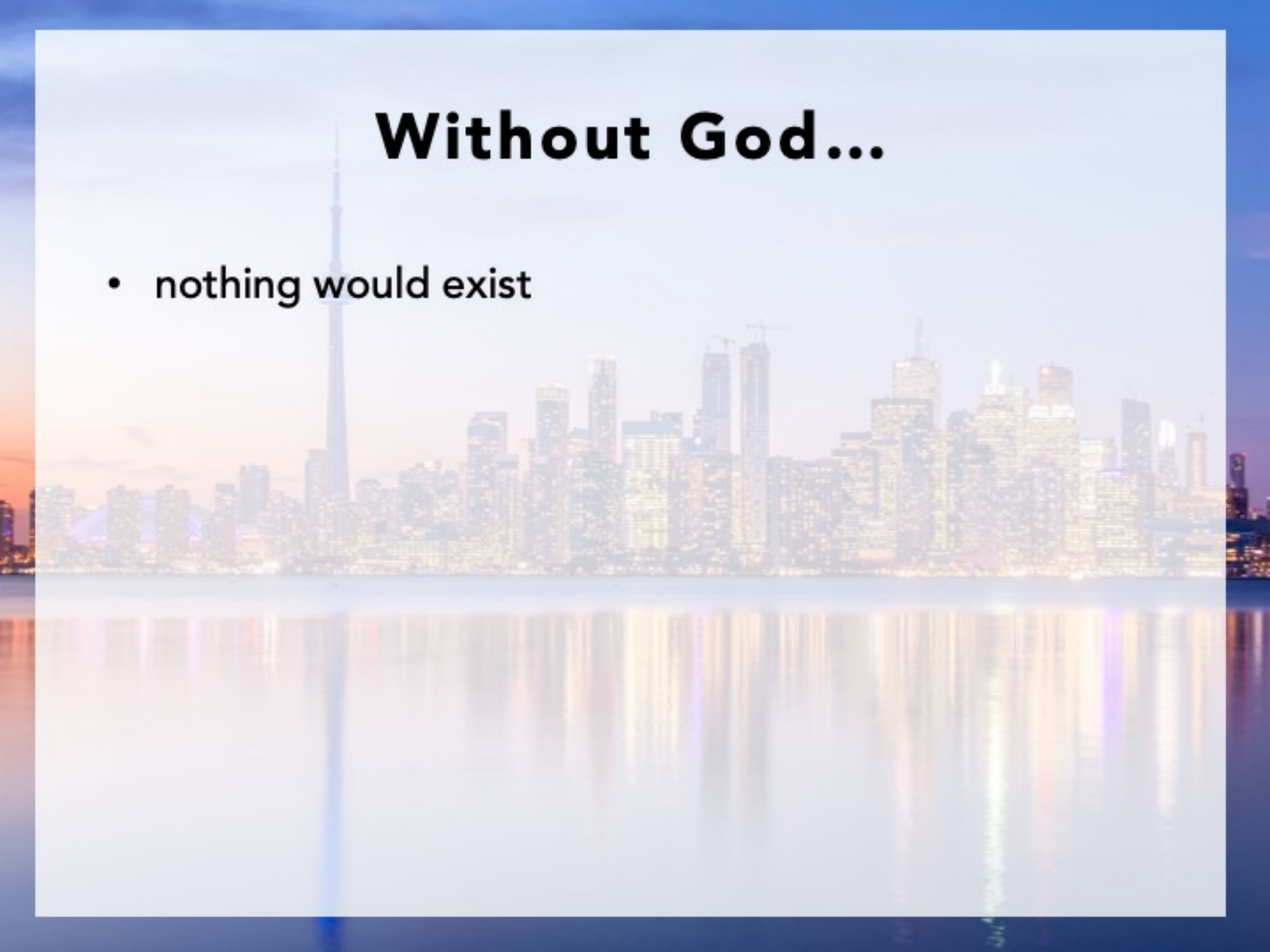
¹⁸ But remember the LORD your God, for it is he who gives you the ability to produce wealth, and so confirms his covenant, which he swore to your ancestors, as it is today.

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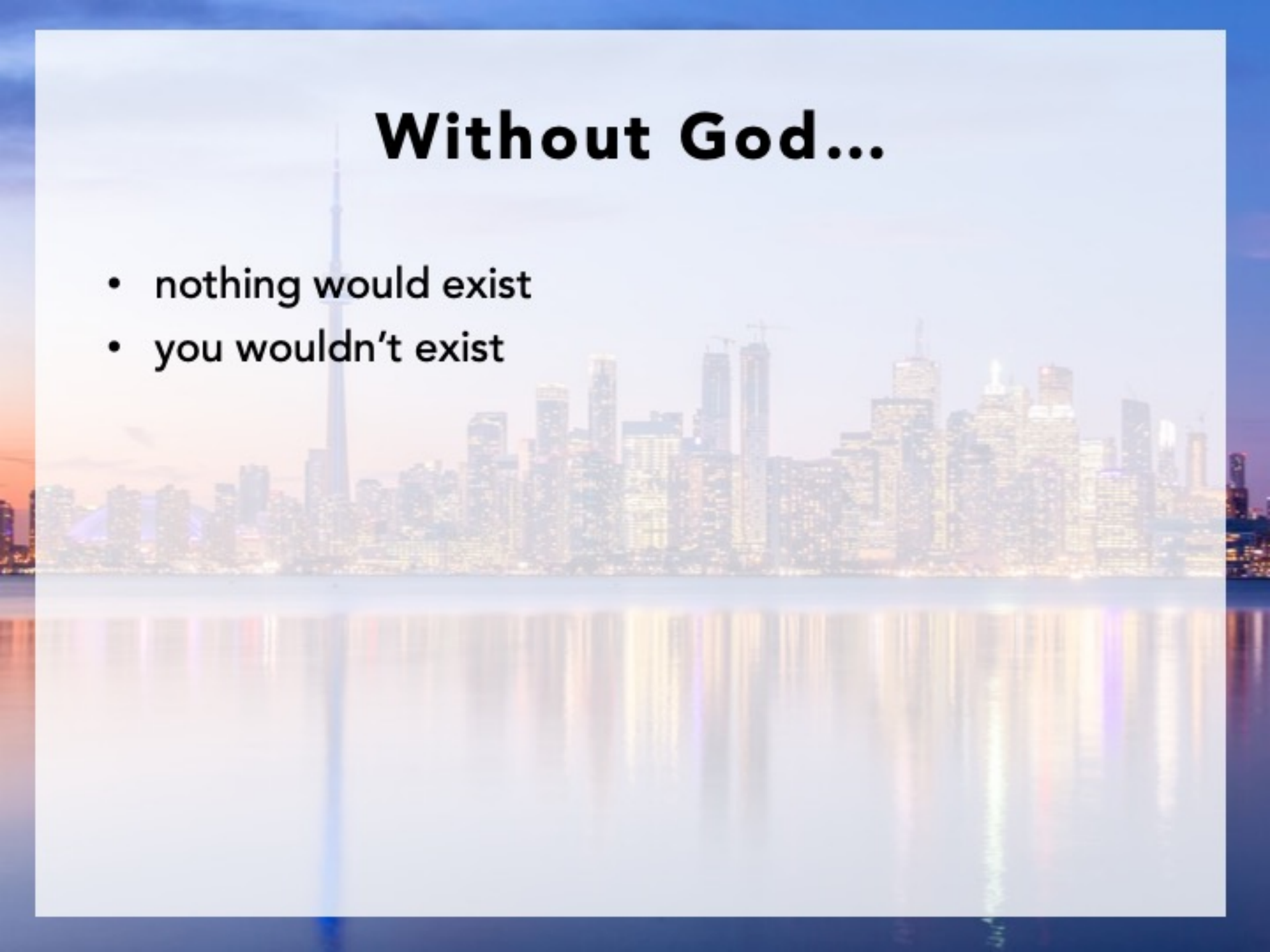
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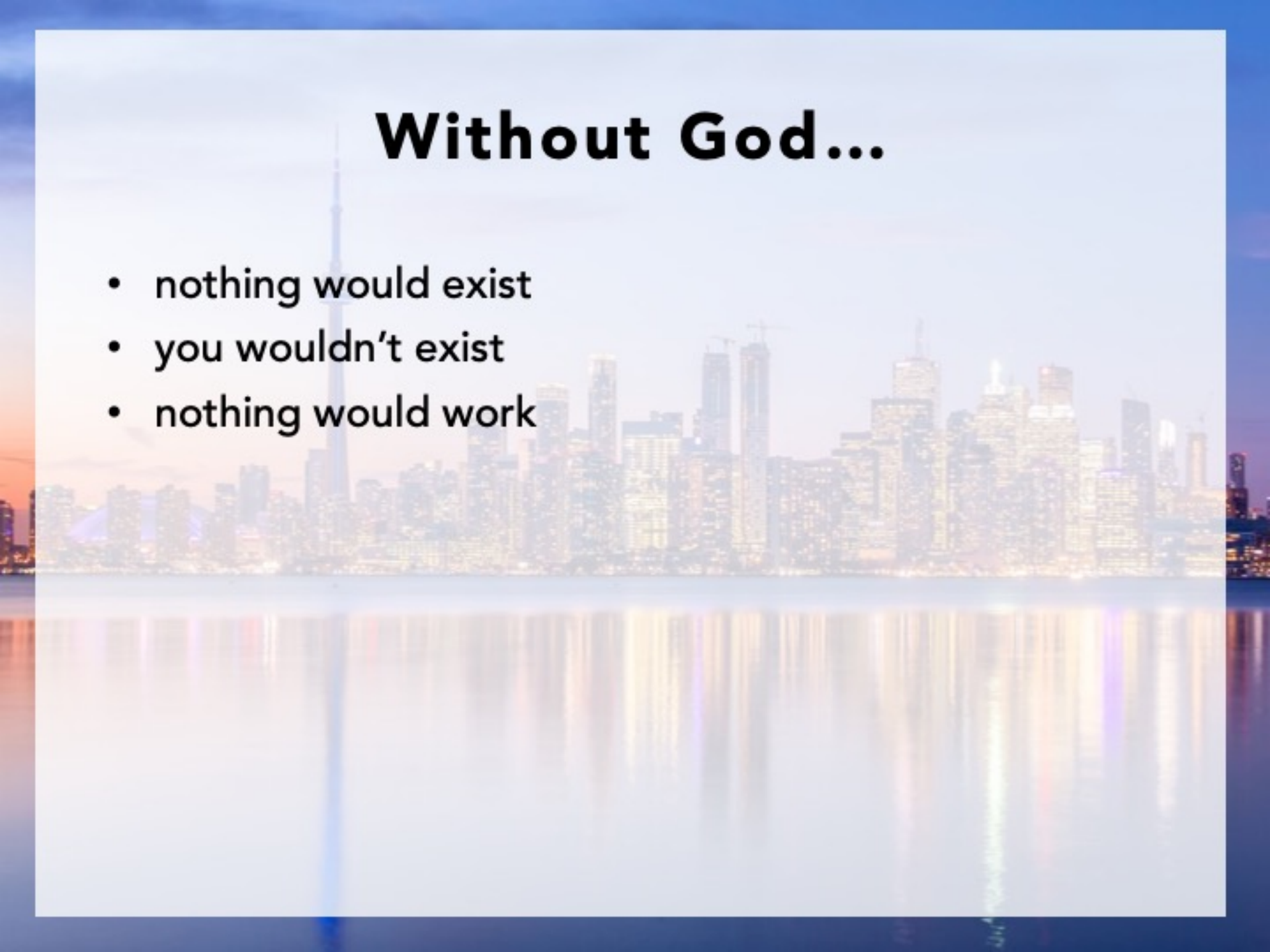
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Genesis 1:26-27

²⁶ Then God said, "Let us make mankind in our image, in our likeness, so that they may rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky, over the livestock and all the wild animals, and over all the creatures that move along the ground."

²⁷ So God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.



The Destiny of Prosperity

Deuteronomy 8:19-20

¹⁹ If you ever forget the LORD your God and follow other gods and worship and bow down to them, I testify against you today that you will surely be destroyed.

²⁰ Like the nations the LORD destroyed before you, so you will be destroyed for not obeying the LORD your God.

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**Are you prepared
for prosperity?**