



Mary Magdalene Gathering

September 24, 2023

Presentation for the Mary Magdalene Community @ Houston, Texas

AUTUMN EQUINOX BLESSING

The light and the dark are the same in length.
They have equal time and equal strength.
But soon the darkness will prevail.
And the light and warmth will begin to pale.
But do not be afraid. Do not dismay.
For this is the rhythm of nature's way.
Rejoice in the abundance that this year bears.
Breathe deep in the coolness and change in the air.
Have gratitude and blessing. Keep toll.
And may this shift of nature enlighten your soul.



Autumn equinox September 25

This is the time of year to go within and empty out space, composting our old ideas and using the energy they hold to make fertile soil for new creativity and matured visions.






*"For everything there is a season,
and a time for every matter under
heaven:*

*a time to be born, and a time to
die; a time to plant, and a time
to pluck up what is planted;
(Ecclesiastes 3:1-8).*

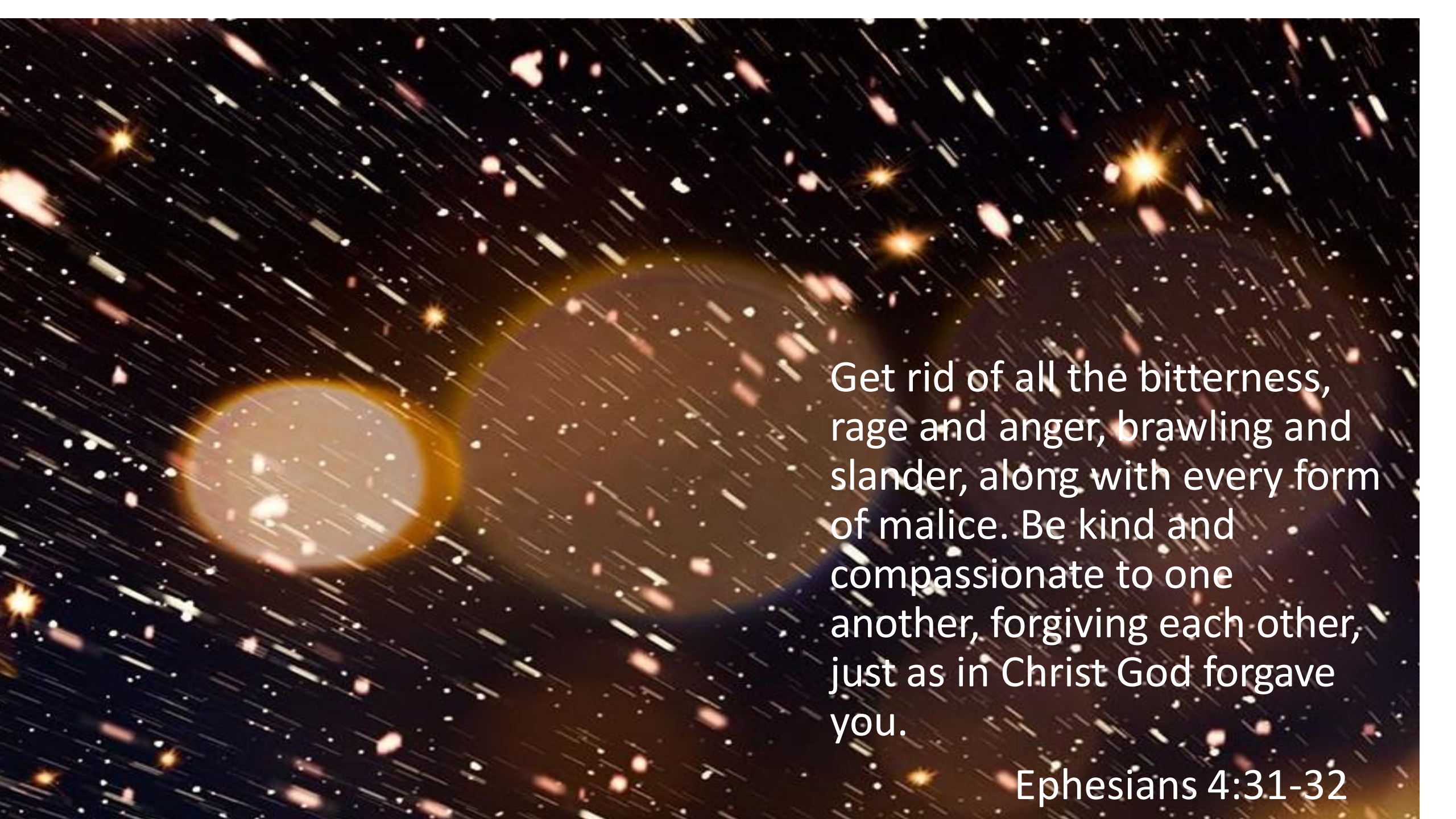
Harvest Full Moon

September 29



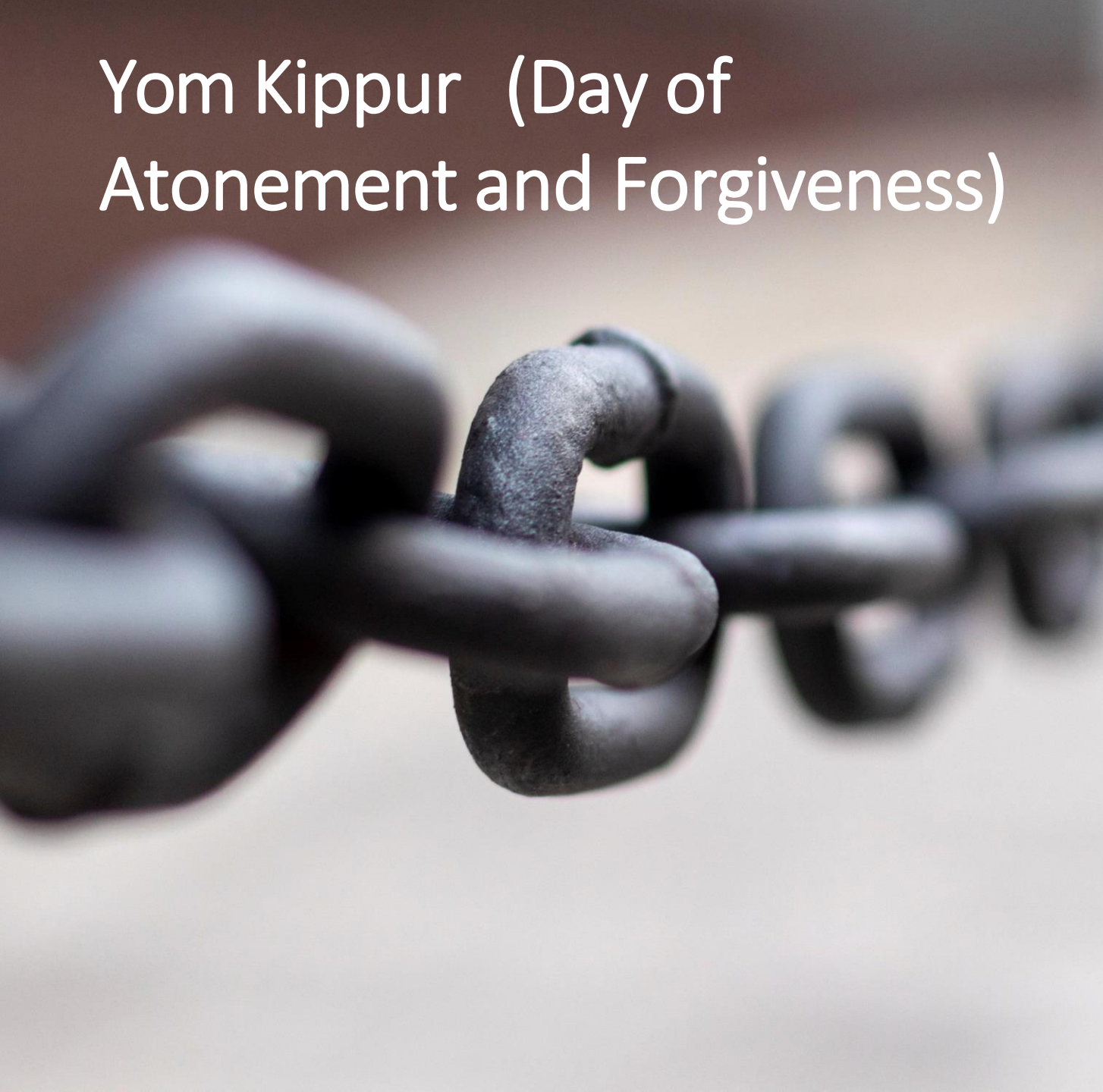
*a time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to
mourn, and a time to dance; a time to throw
away stones, and a time to gather stones
together*

Eclipse October 14

The background of the image is a dark, starry night sky. It is filled with numerous small, bright stars of various colors, including white, yellow, and orange. A prominent feature is a large, bright, glowing orb on the left side, which appears to be a planet or a large star, with a soft, hazy glow around it. The overall effect is a sense of vastness and celestial beauty.

Get rid of all the bitterness,
rage and anger, brawling and
slander, along with every form
of malice. Be kind and
compassionate to one
another, forgiving each other,
just as in Christ God forgave
you.

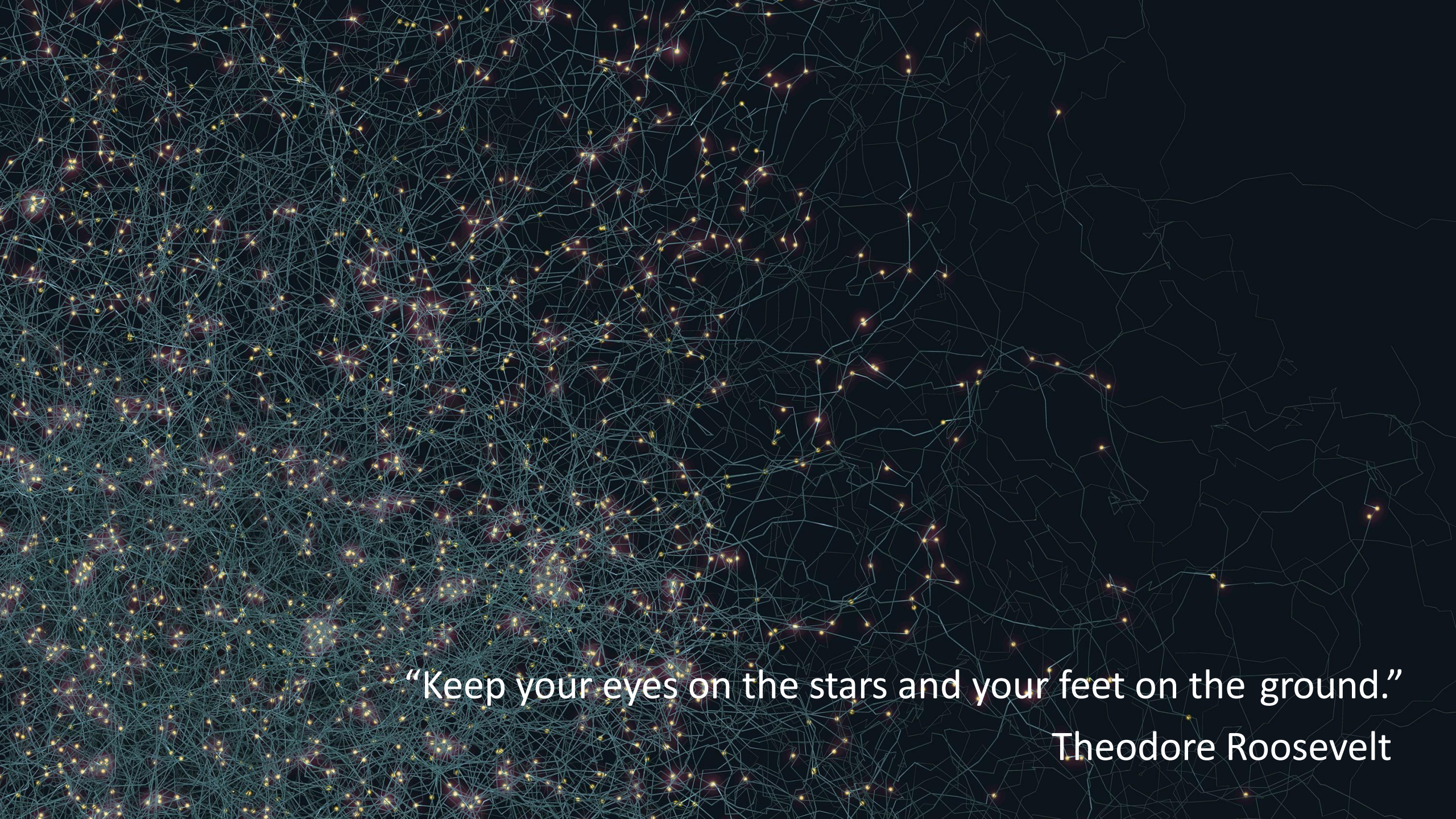
Ephesians 4:31-32



Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement and Forgiveness)

“As I walked out the door toward the gate that would lead to my freedom, I knew if I didn’t leave my bitterness and hatred behind, I’d still be in prison”

Nelson Mandela




“Keep your eyes on the stars and your feet on the ground.”

Theodore Roosevelt

“Go then and preach the gospel about the kingdom. Don't lay down any rules beyond what I've given you, nor make a law like the lawgiver, lest you be bound by it.”
When he said these things, he left.

The Gospel of Mary





“We are not just mere spectators in this magnificent cosmic play – we are participants in the universe.”

Stephen Hawking

“Time is not an artificial human invention – in fact, it’s the cosmic rhythm.”

Stephen Hawking

“The cosmos is all that is or ever was or ever will be”

Carl Sagan



When you don't feel like you fit in,
remember how beautifully
out of place the moon is.

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An Invitation for Conversation

Honoring our precious planet and the cosmos

What do we need to empty out?

What needs to be eclipsed from our life?

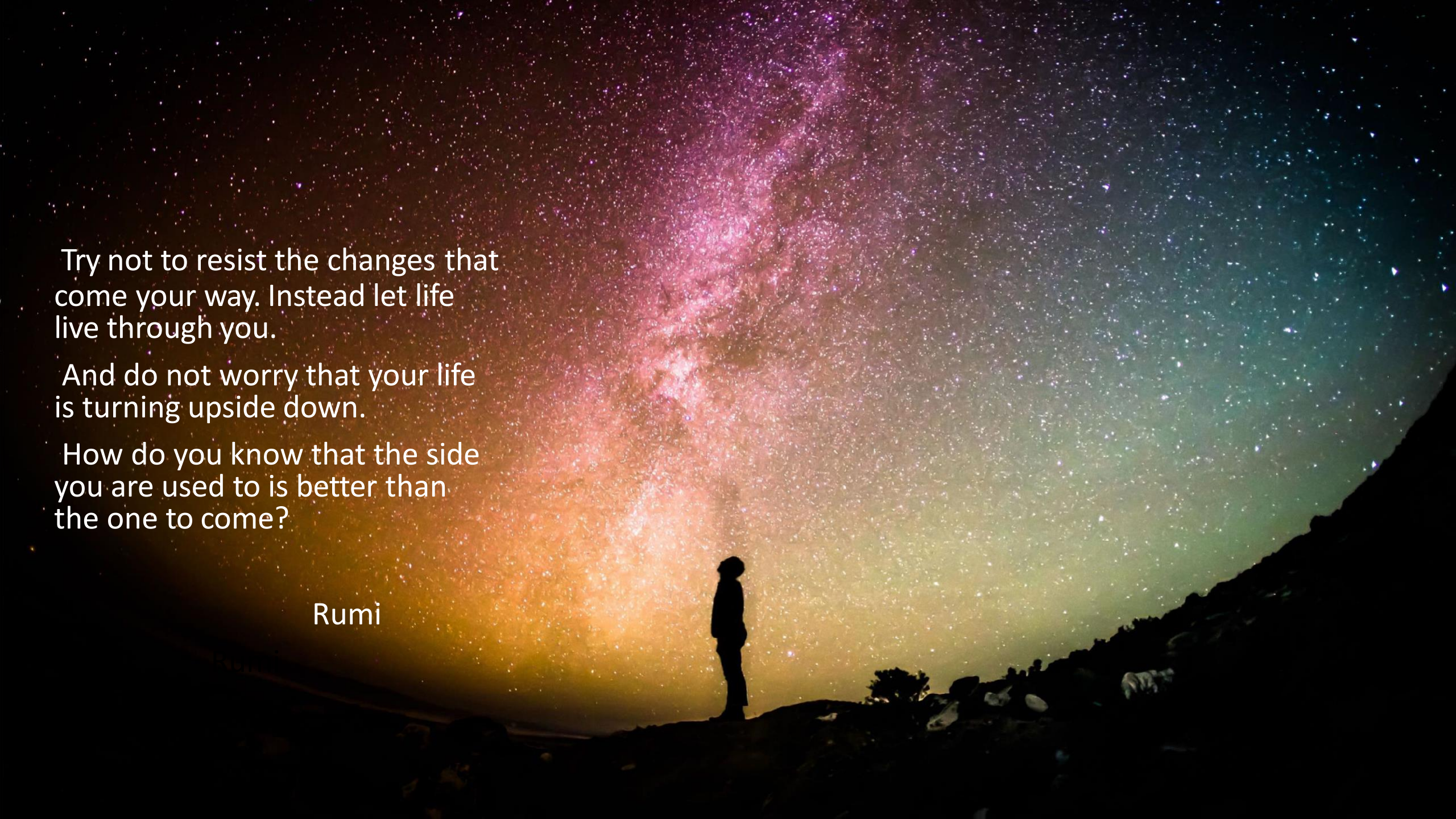
Who do we need to forgive?

What part of us is waiting to be honored?

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYERS






Try not to resist the changes that
come your way. Instead let life
live through you.

And do not worry that your life
is turning upside down.

How do you know that the side
you are used to is better than
the one to come?

Rumi



Our next Gathering will be on
October 29, 2023
2 pm