

A landscape photograph featuring rolling hills in the background, some with patches of green and brown vegetation. The foreground is a field of tall, dry, golden-brown grass. The sky is filled with large, white and grey clouds, with a hint of orange light from the sun setting or rising behind the clouds. The overall mood is serene and expansive.

# **FAITH & FRUITFUL LIVING**

**MARK 11:12 – 24**

**MATTHEW 21:18 – 22; LUKE 13:6 – 9**

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# Barren Fig Tree:

- Physical appearance is deceiving
- Religious hypocrisy is ungodly



# Barren Tree:

A distraction and a disappointment for people on the wayside



# Faithless and Fruitless Israel

Hypocrisy of God's People



POINT 1:

**False Spiritual  
Imagination  
is Hypocrisy**



# True or False?



It is worldly to own expensive stuff!

# True or False?



Jealousy, selfishness and unforgiving  
are NOT worldly things !

# True or False?



Poor Christians are full of faith, and they  
are NOT worldly!

**Where your heart is matters  
more to God than what you  
have or don't have!**

**BUT...**

**What you choose in life  
could be an indicative of  
where your heart is...!**

POINT 2:

# Choosing Mere Religious Activities Over Faith and Prayer is Hypocrisy



**Our good works or religious activities do not necessarily indicate our faith...**

**But our obedience to his sovereign will and our dependence on Him does!**

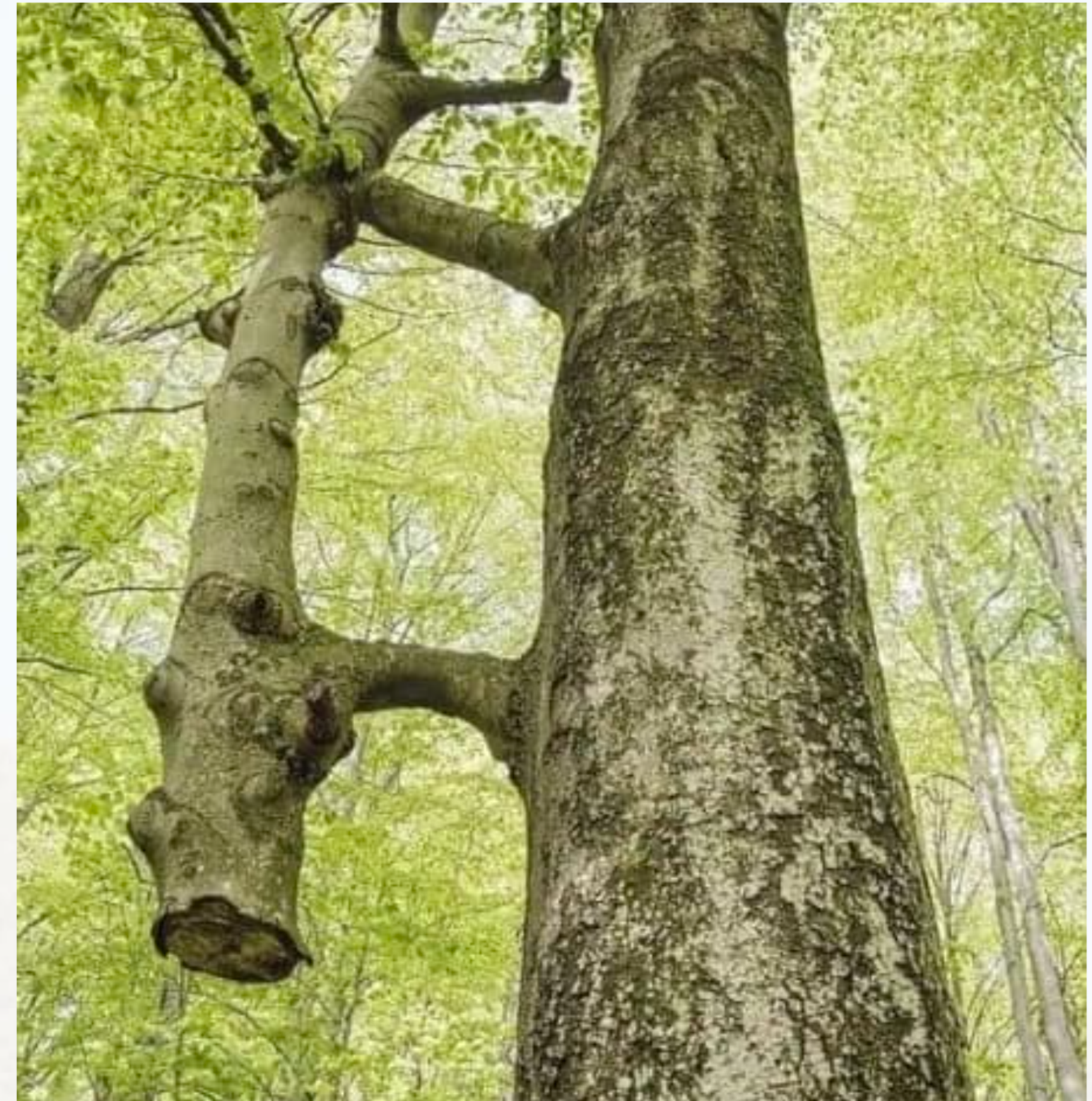
**Our faith in God in the face of poverty, difficulty and suffering... our faith in God in our riches and our obedience to His Great Commission when and where it is hard...**

# **Be rooted/grafted into and built up in Christ.**

**Colossians 2:6 – 7, Romans 11:17**



**Vs.**



# **The Fruit of the Spirit:**

**Galatians 5:19 – 21**

**"...love, joy, peace, forbearance,  
kindness, goodness, faithfulness,  
gentleness and self-control."**

# **The Power of the Spirit: Witnessing!**

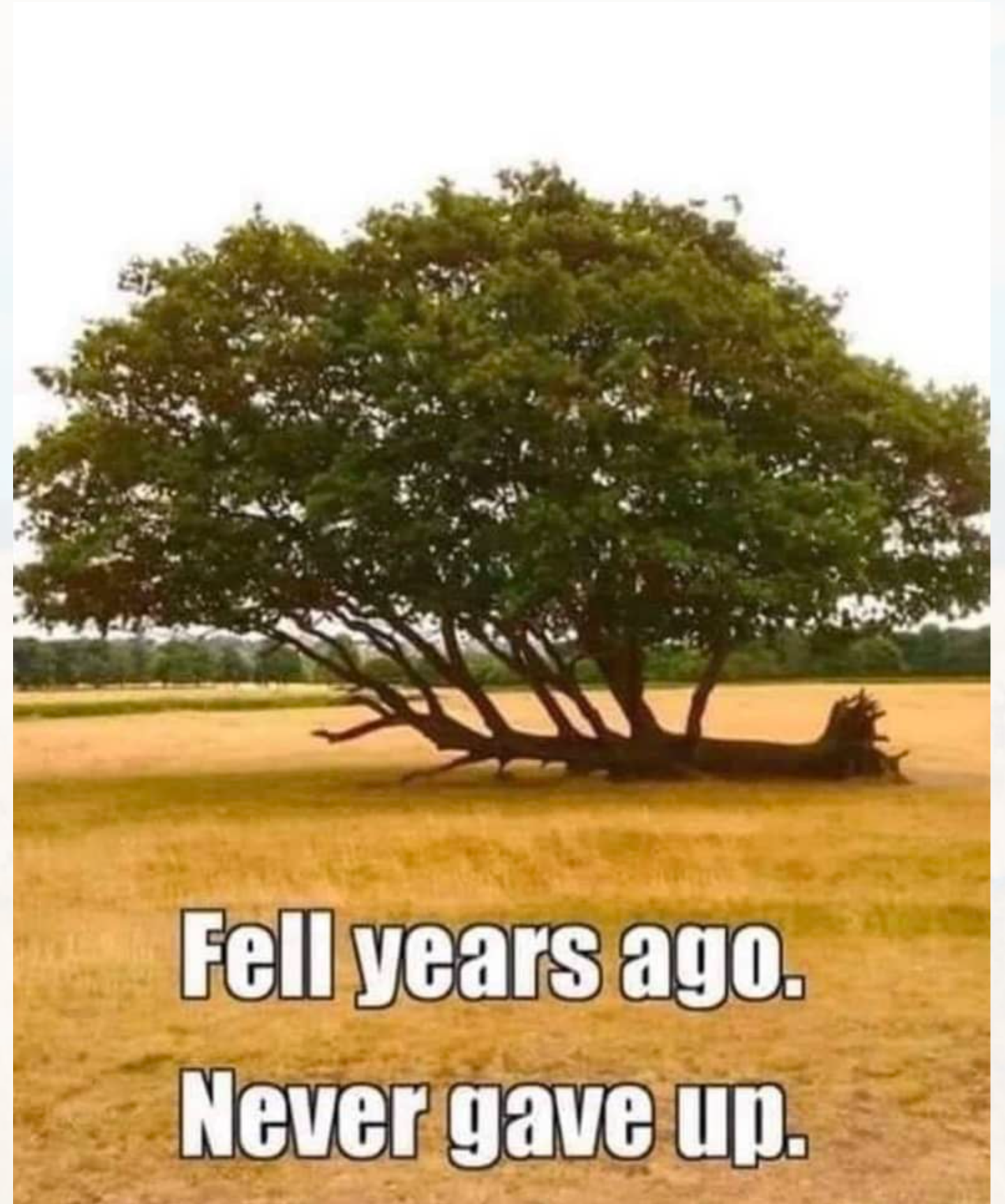
**Acts 1:8**

**"You will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses."**

The background of the slide is a photograph of a rural landscape. It features a dirt road that curves through a field. In the distance, two cows are visible on a grassy slope. The scene is shrouded in a light mist or fog, creating a soft, atmospheric effect. The sky is a pale, hazy blue.

**If you are headed in the  
wrong direction, remember  
that God allows U-turns**

**Its never too  
late to obey  
Him and bear  
fruit for Him.**



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