

Lesson 2: Acknowledging Our Created-ness



Rejoicing in God's Good Design

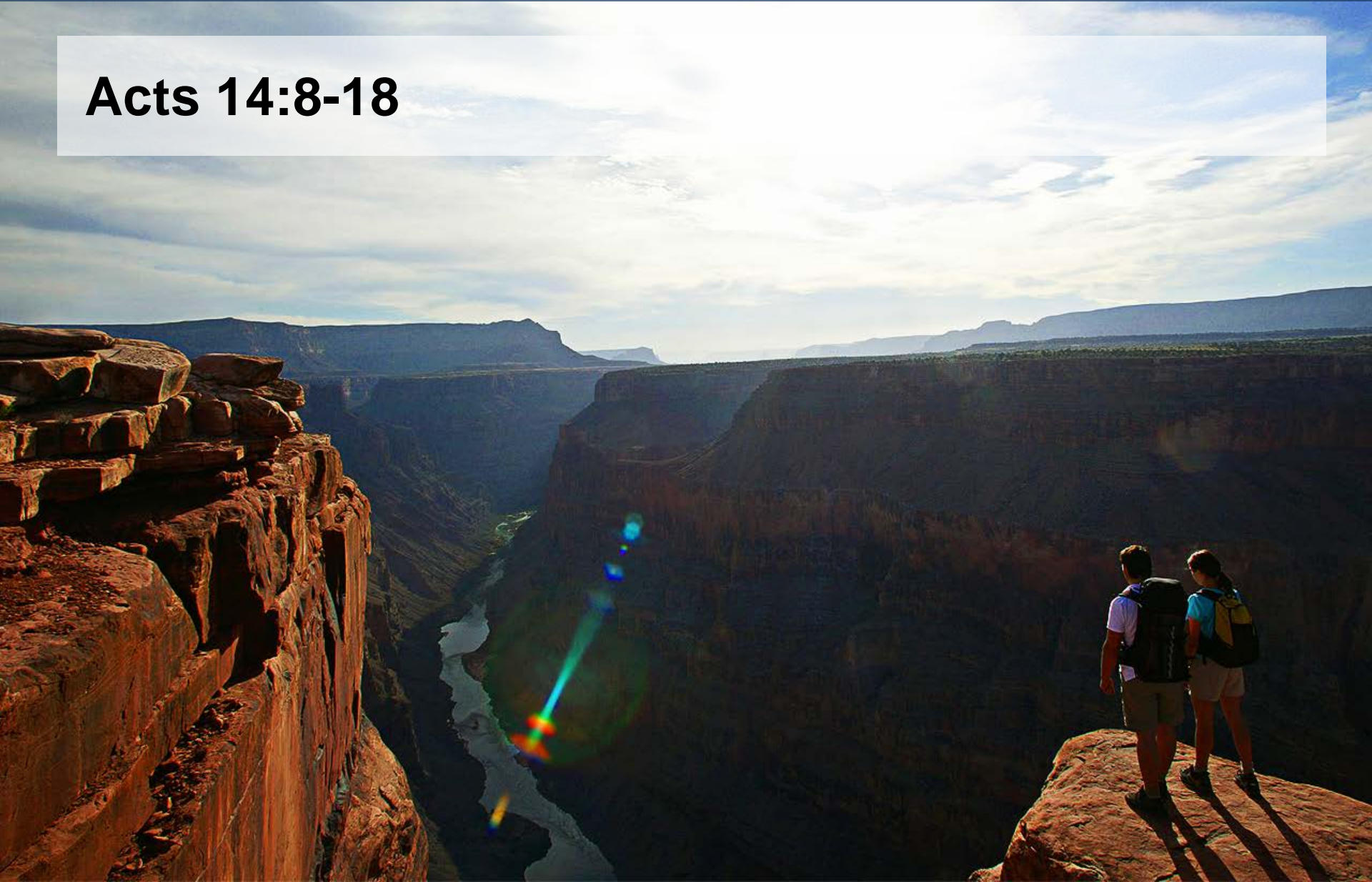


To rightly understand ourselves, we must know and embrace what the Bible teaches about

- The Creator
- Our created-ness

The Creator-Creature Distinction

Acts 14:8-18



CREATOR

No limits outside Himself

No needs

Independent

Self-originating

Moral Governor

Absolute Authority

Standard of truth,
goodness, and beauty

Objective knower of all truth

Revealer of revelation

Autonomous

CREATURE

Severe limitations

Immense needs

Dependent

Originated

Morally governed

Under authority

Under standard of truth,
goodness, and beauty

Subjective knower of some truth

Recipient of revelation

Not autonomous

What it means to be a creature

We must always remember that we are creatures, and we are not gods.



Illustration

“The strip had allowed him an illusion of eternity. Comics never end, no story is ever finished, four more blank white panels await the next installment. When he finally fell ill, the fantasy was irrevocably broken, and he discovered that he was a creature of time, ordinary after all.”

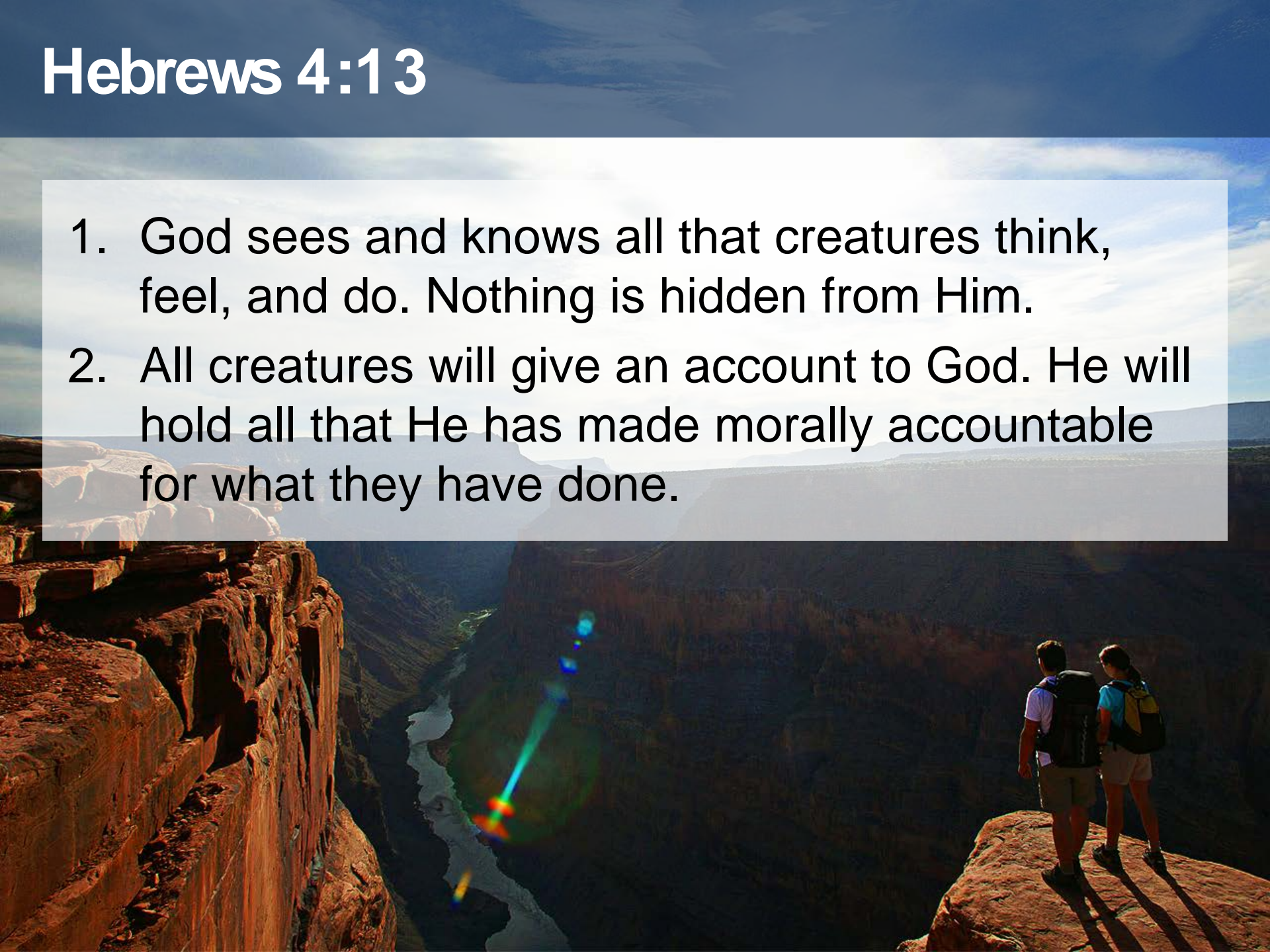


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Hebrews 4:13

1. God sees and knows all that creatures think, feel, and do. Nothing is hidden from Him.
2. All creatures will give an account to God. He will hold all that He has made morally accountable for what they have done.



Embracing Who God Has Created You

Jeremiah 13:23

- We have a **Creator**. We are **creatures**.
- We must **trust** in God and **embrace** who He has made us to be.
- Our **gender** is an inalterable distinction.
- We must **submit** to God's choice for us.



Romans 9:20-21a



**God,
the Creator,
has absolute
right over
man, the
creature.**





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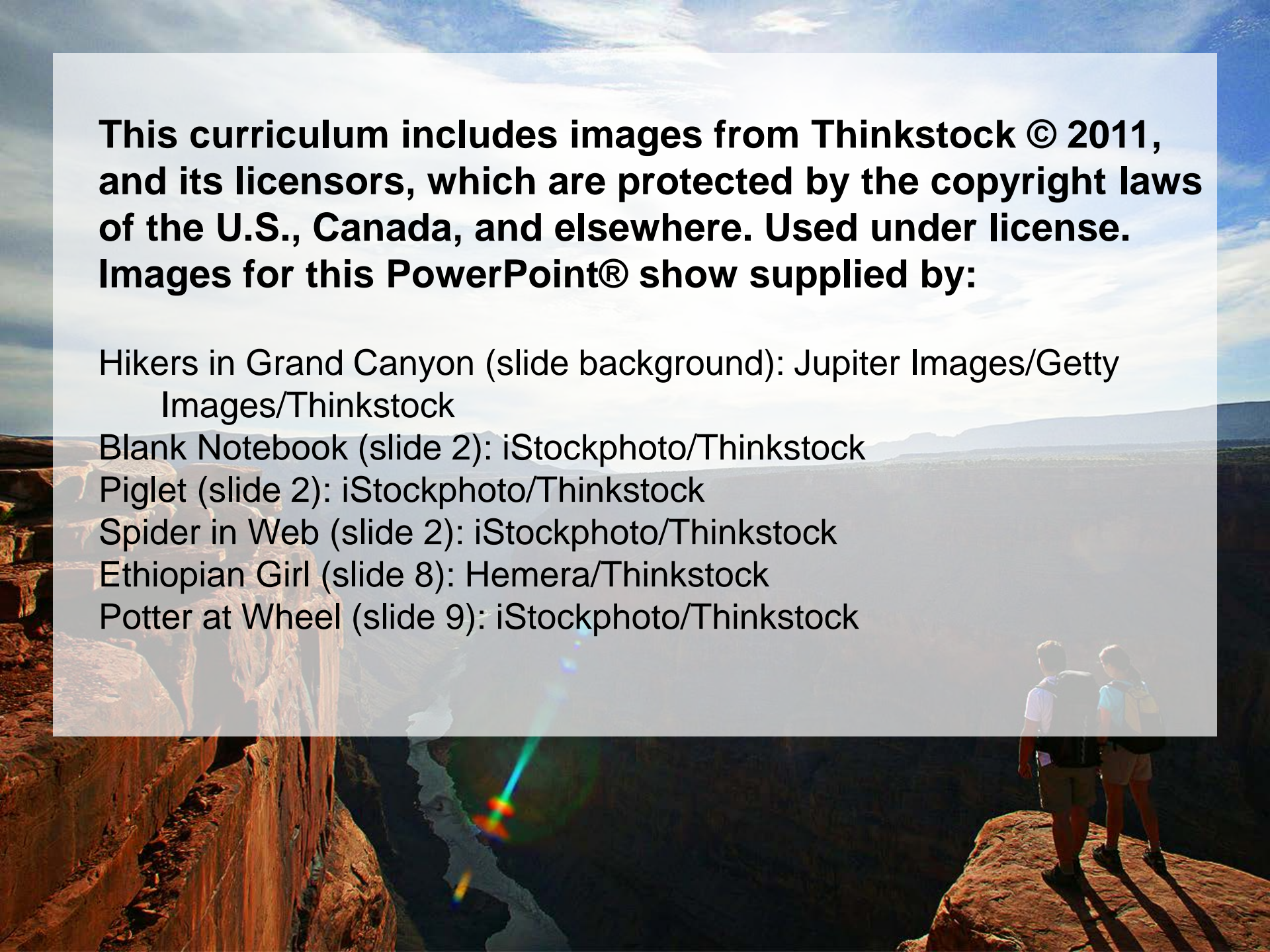
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