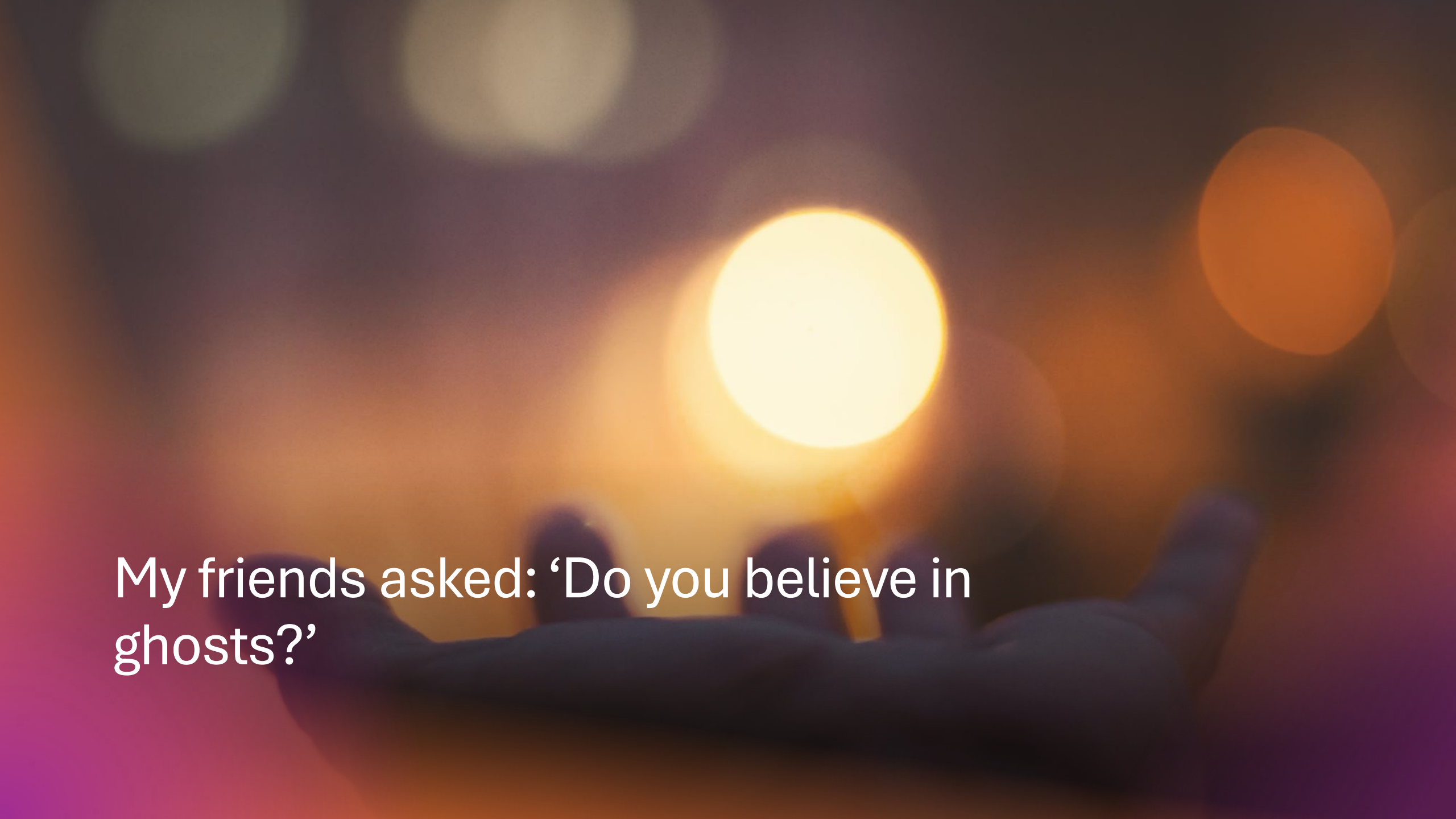


God can do *much more*
than we think

Third Sunday of Easter

Luke 24:36b–48

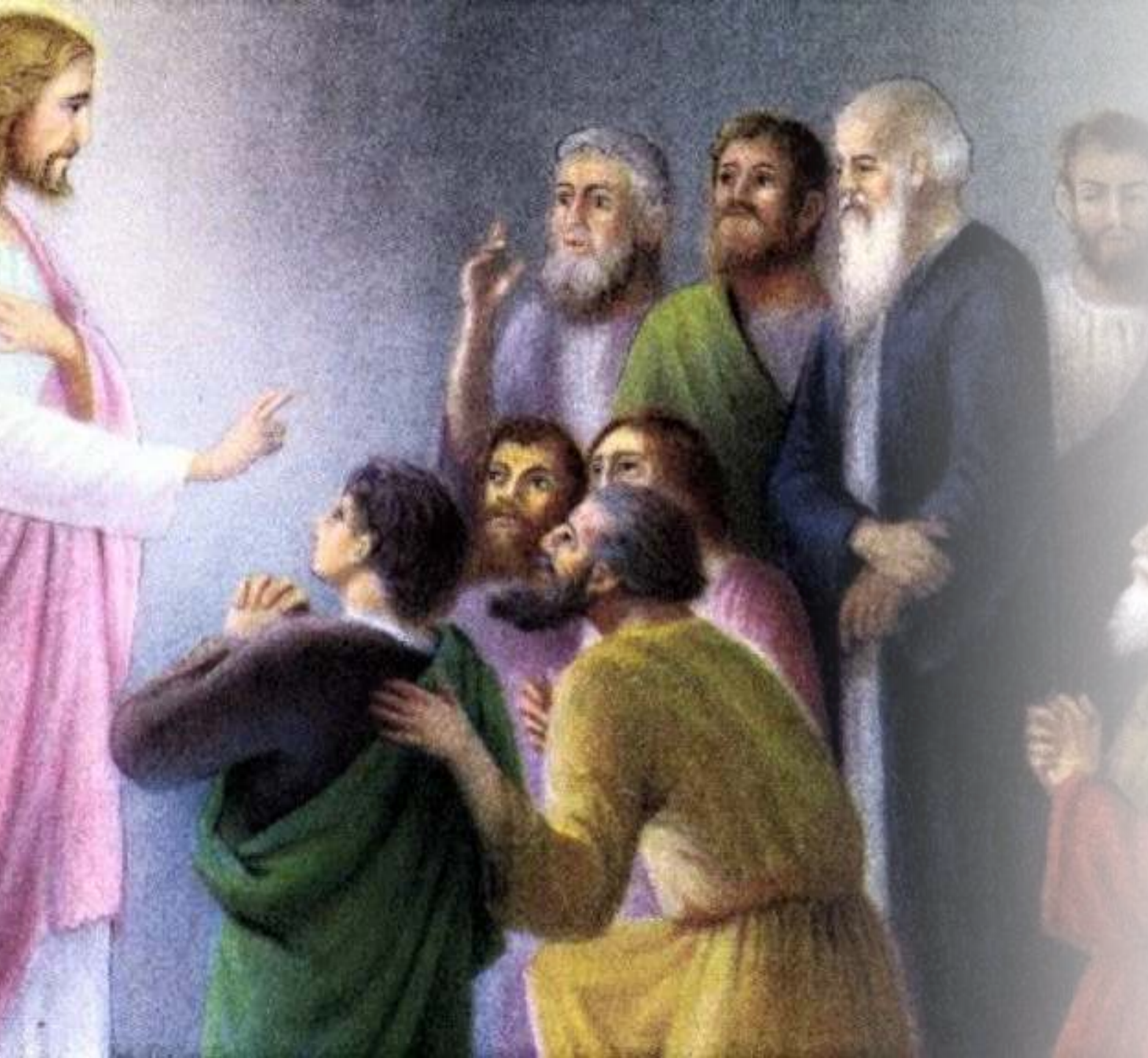
A close-up photograph of a hand holding a glowing, spherical object. The hand is positioned at the bottom of the frame, with fingers slightly curled around the base of the sphere. The sphere is bright yellow and orange, emitting a soft glow. The background is dark and out of focus, featuring several large, circular bokeh lights in shades of orange, yellow, and purple. The overall mood is mysterious and ethereal.

My friends asked: 'Do you believe in
ghosts?'



The two
ghosts that I
knew as a
child...





Jesus' surprise visit

³⁶ While the eleven and their companions were talking about what they had heard, **Jesus himself stood among them** and said to them, 'Peace be with you.'



Surprising
reactions!

³⁷ They were **startled** and **terrified**, and thought that they were seeing **a ghost**.

Jesus' response to their fear and doubts



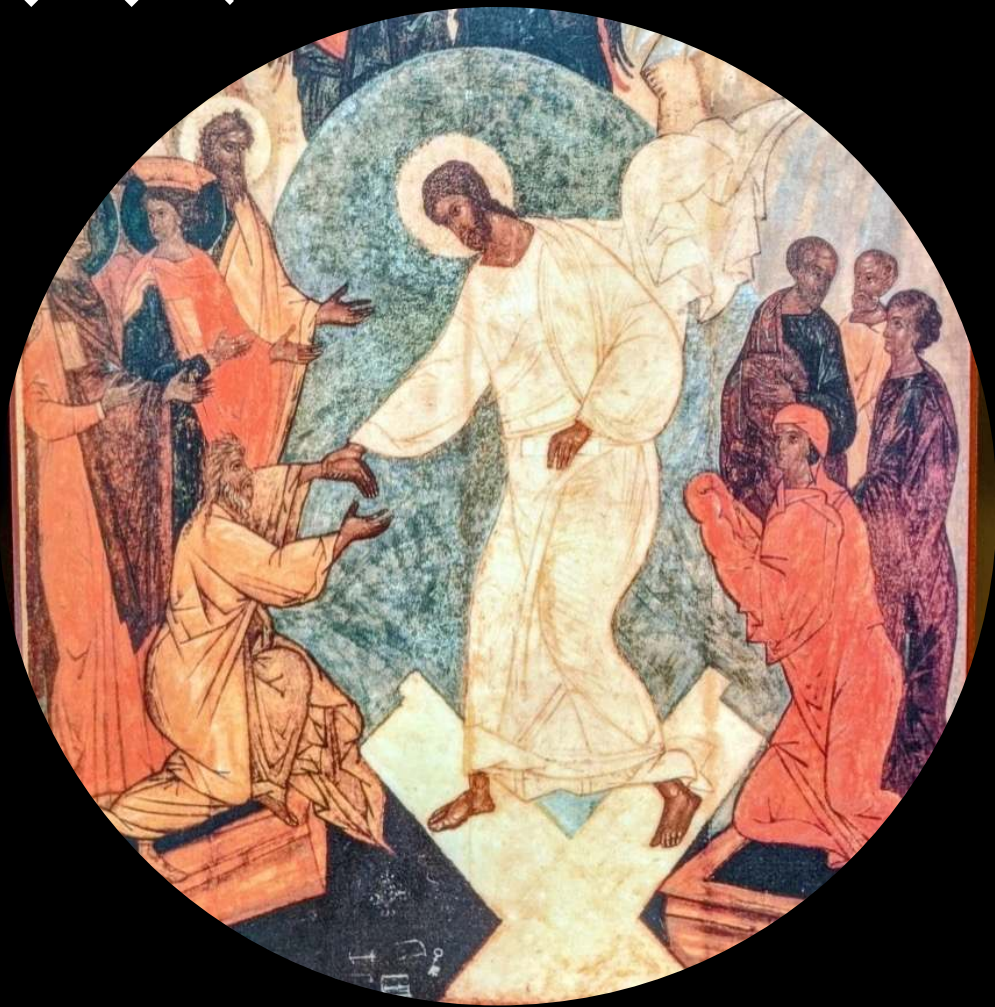
- ³⁸ He said to them, ‘Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? ³⁹ Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. **Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.** ⁴⁰ And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet.
- ⁴¹ While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, ‘Have you anything here to eat?’ ⁴² **They gave him a piece of broiled fish,** ⁴³ **and he took it and ate in their presence.**



Jesus helps them to understand God's plan

⁴⁴ Then he said to them,
'These are my words that I
spoke to you while I was still
with you – **that everything
written about me in the law of
Moses, the prophets, and the
psalms must be fulfilled.**'

⁴⁵ Then he opened their minds
to understand the scriptures,
⁴⁶ and he said to them, 'Thus it
is written, that **the Messiah is
to suffer and to rise from the
dead** on the third day,



Jesus gives them a mission

47 and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be **proclaimed in his name to all nations**, beginning from Jerusalem.

48 You are **witnesses** of these things.'



I will never...



But God
does not
have this
problem!





Let us continue to ...

- discover how great God is, and...
- tell others about his greatness.