

The background of the image shows the silhouettes of several runners in motion against a bright, hazy sky at sunrise or sunset. The sun is a large, glowing orb in the center-left, casting long shadows and creating a lens flare effect. The runners are in various stages of their stride, with their hair and clothing slightly blurred to convey a sense of speed. The overall color palette is dominated by the warm tones of the sun and the cool blues of the sky and shadows.

**Run with endurance the race  
God has set before us**

.....

**by keeping our eyes on Jesus,  
the champion who initiates  
and perfects our faith.**

Hebrews 12:1-2, NLT



You will always harvest  
what you plant. . . . .

So let's not get tired of  
doing what is good. At just  
the right time we will reap a  
harvest of blessing  
if we don't give up.

Galatians 6:9, NLT





**“BE STRONG.  
TAKE COURAGE. . . .  
GOD IS STRIDING AHEAD OF YOU.  
HE’S RIGHT THERE WITH YOU.  
HE WON’T LET YOU DOWN;  
HE WON’T LEAVE YOU.  
DON’T BE INTIMIDATED.  
DON’T WORRY.”**

**Deut. 31:7-8**



Consider it a sheer gift,  
friends, when tests and  
challenges come at you  
from all sides.

You know that under  
pressure, your faith-life is  
forced into the open and  
shows its true colors.

So don't try to get out of  
anything prematurely.

Let it do its work so you  
become mature and well-  
developed, not deficient in  
any way.

*James 1:2-4, msg*







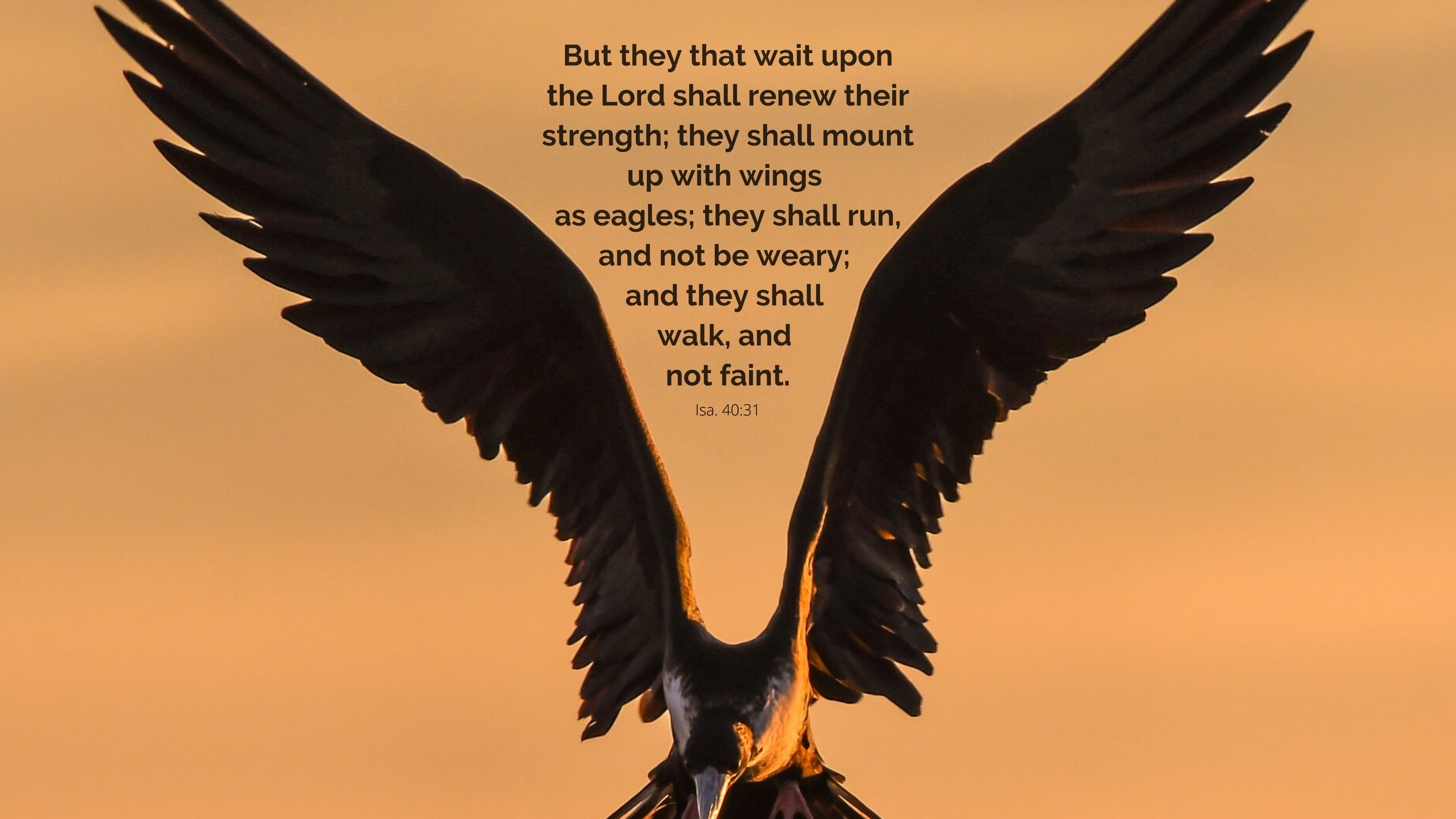
Don't burn out; keep yourselves  
fueled and aflame.

Be alert servants of the Master,  
cheerfully expectant.

Don't quit in  
hard times; pray all the harder.

Romans 12:12, msg





**But they that wait upon  
the Lord shall renew their  
strength; they shall mount  
up with wings  
as eagles; they shall run,  
and not be weary;  
and they shall  
walk, and  
not faint.**

Isa. 40:31