



Biblical vs. Cultural
DISCIPLESHIP

VISION

MISSION

DEFINITION

DEVOTION



2 Timothy 3:16-17

ALL Scripture is **God-breathed** and profitable for teaching, **rebuking**, correcting, and training in **righteousness**, so that the **man of God** may **BE complete** (thoroughly equipped) for **every** good work.



One FAITH. One FAMILY. One FOCUS.

“But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you, and you will BE My witnesses (locally, regionally, and globally).” – Acts 1:8

One Question: *WHAT DO YOU WANT?*

One Offer: *COME AND SEE.*

One Promise: *TRUTH IN LOVE!*

Our Truth-in-Love Distinctives: We are...

1. Responding to grace & repenting of sin...
2. Trusting the Bible & obeying God's Word...
3. Growing in-Christ & living Spirit-led...
4. Praying for guidance & following by faith...
5. Dying to self & carrying our cross...
6. BE-ing the Church & loving one another...(*truly loving* one another)
7. Equipping the saints & exemplifying supernatural unity...
8. Ministering as ambassadors & discerning matters shrewdly...
9. Worshipping God vertically & experiencing Him horizontally...
10. Proclaiming the Gospel (*no matter what*) & fishing for men...
11. Making disciples-warriors & winning spiritual-warfare...
12. Loving our King & serving His kingdom!

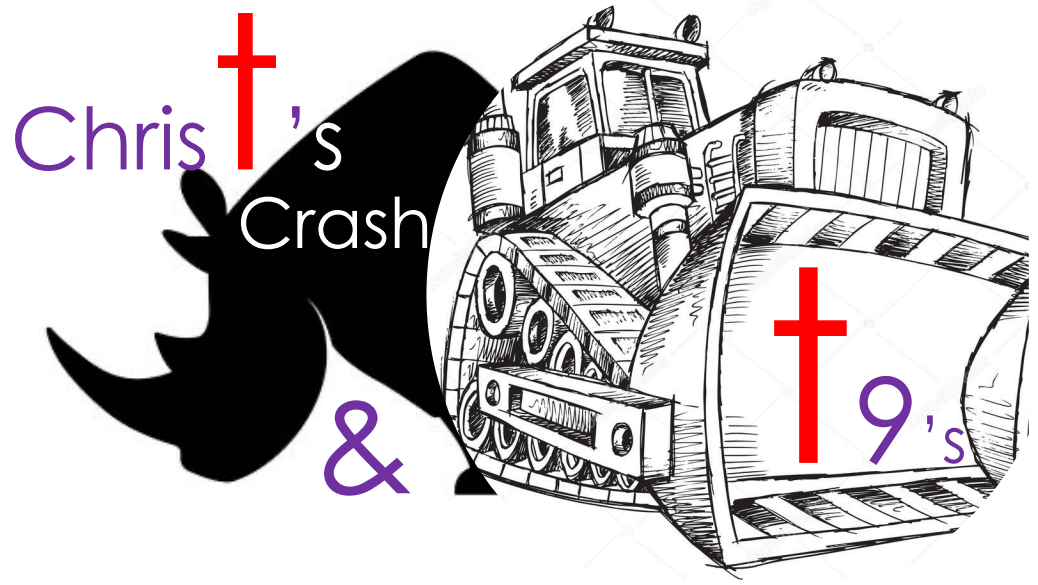
VISION

(Proverbs 29:18)



MISSION

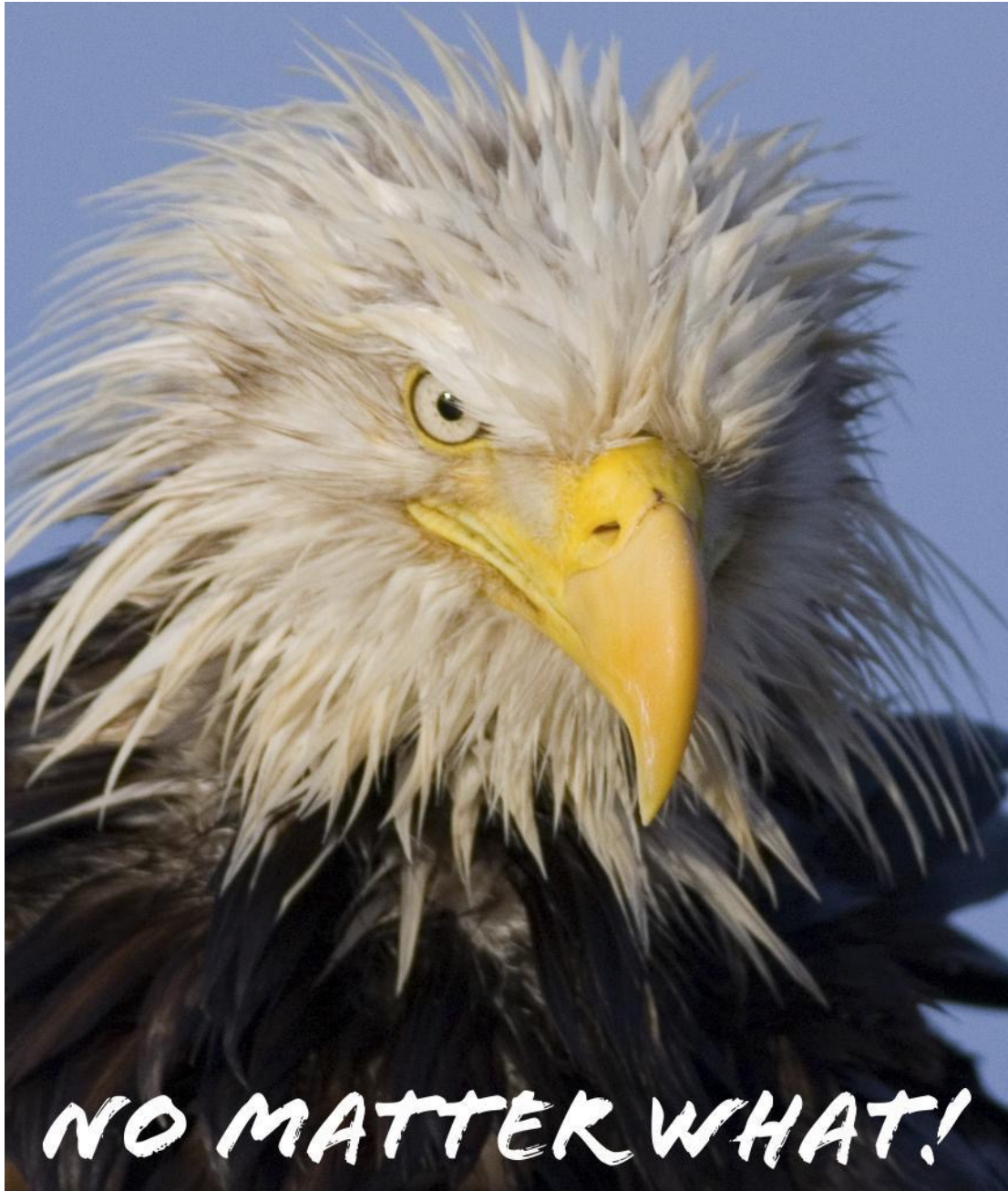
(Matthew 28:18-20)





DEFINITION

(1 Timothy 4:16)



NO MATTER WHAT!

DEVOTION

(Ephesians 4:1)

Biblical



BE-ing

is disciple

build-ing!



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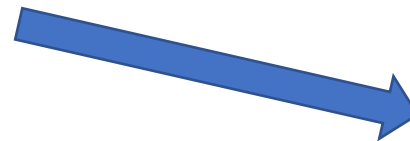
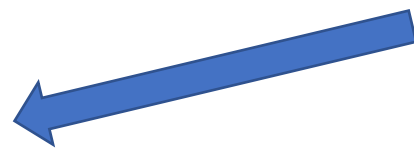
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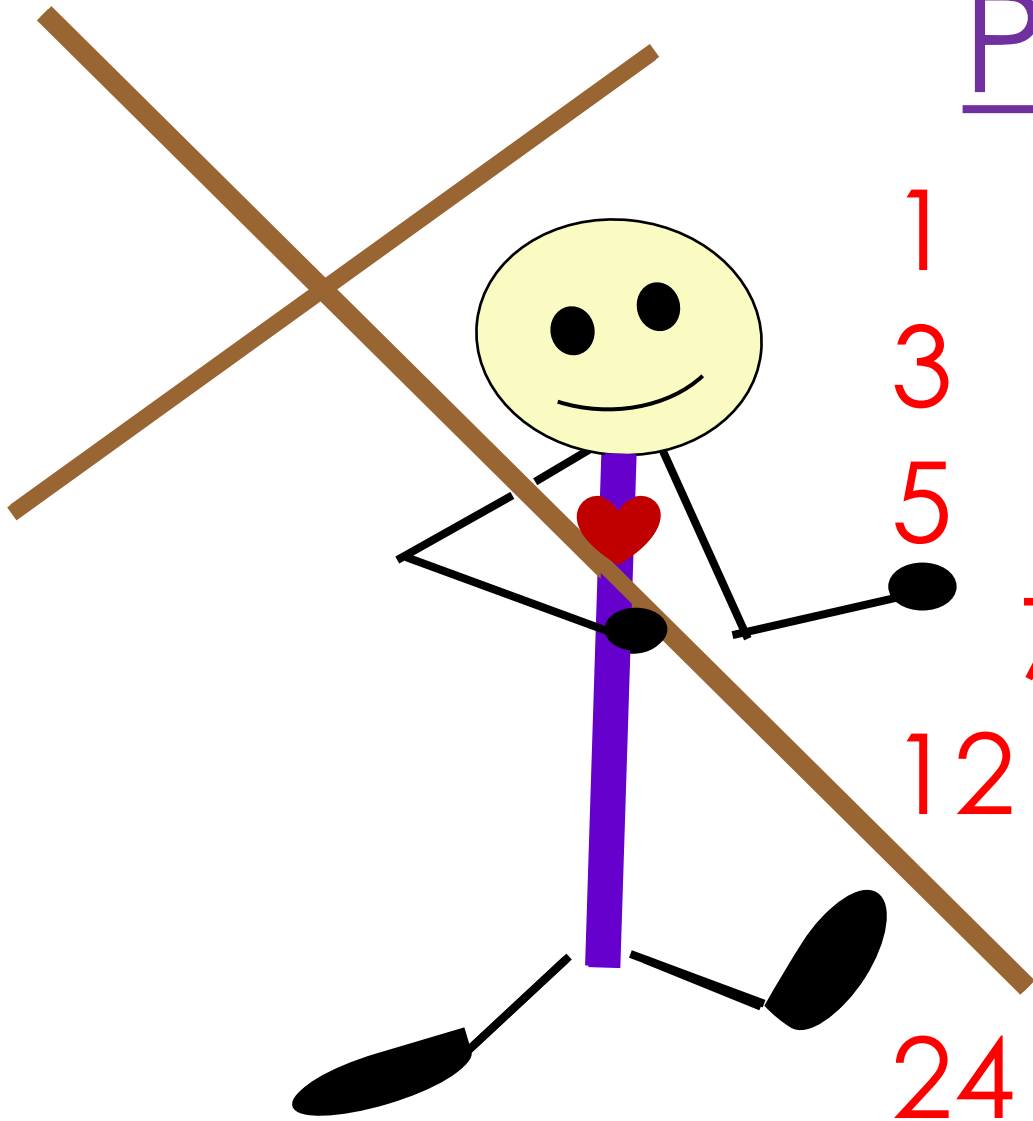
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The Truth

The life

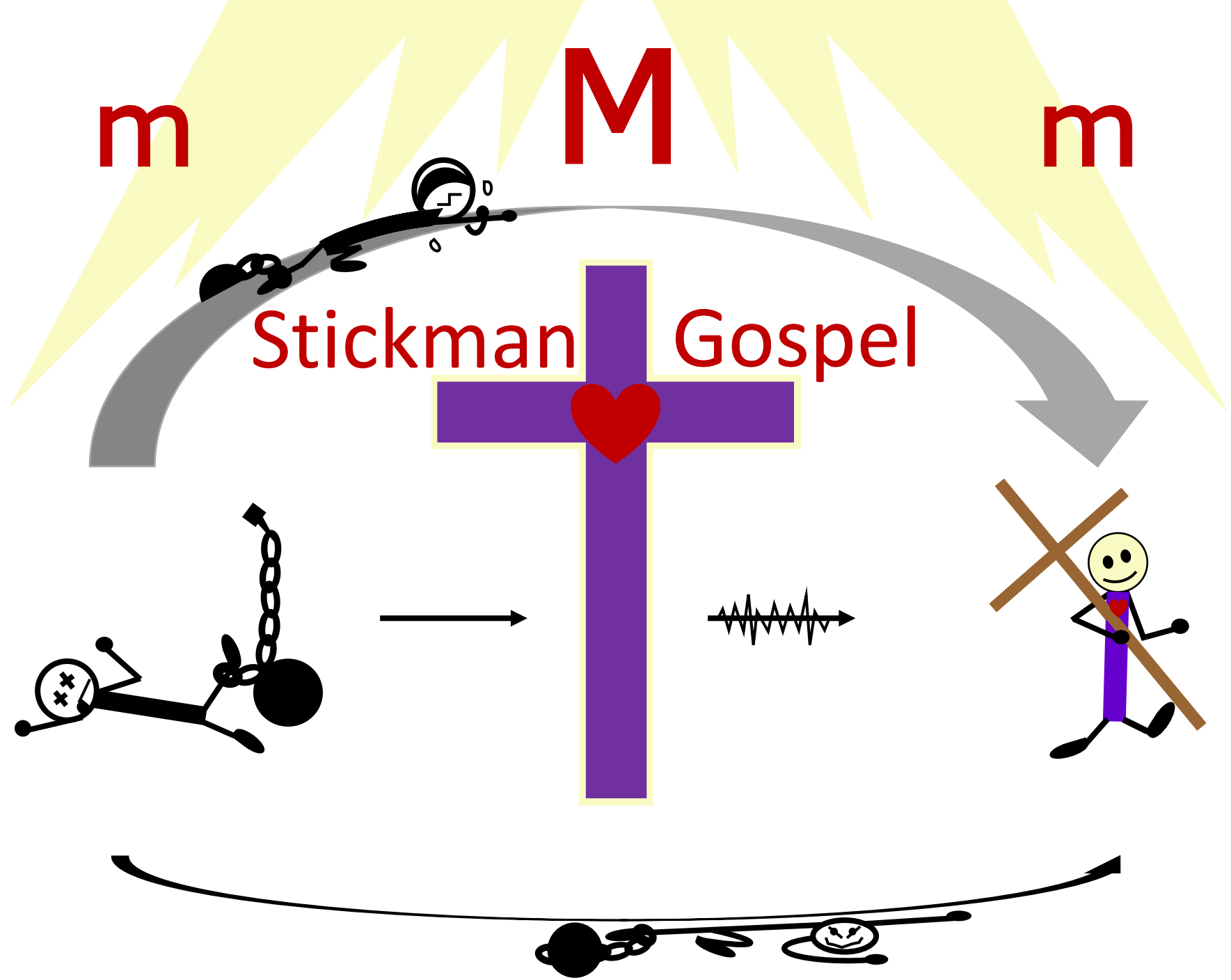


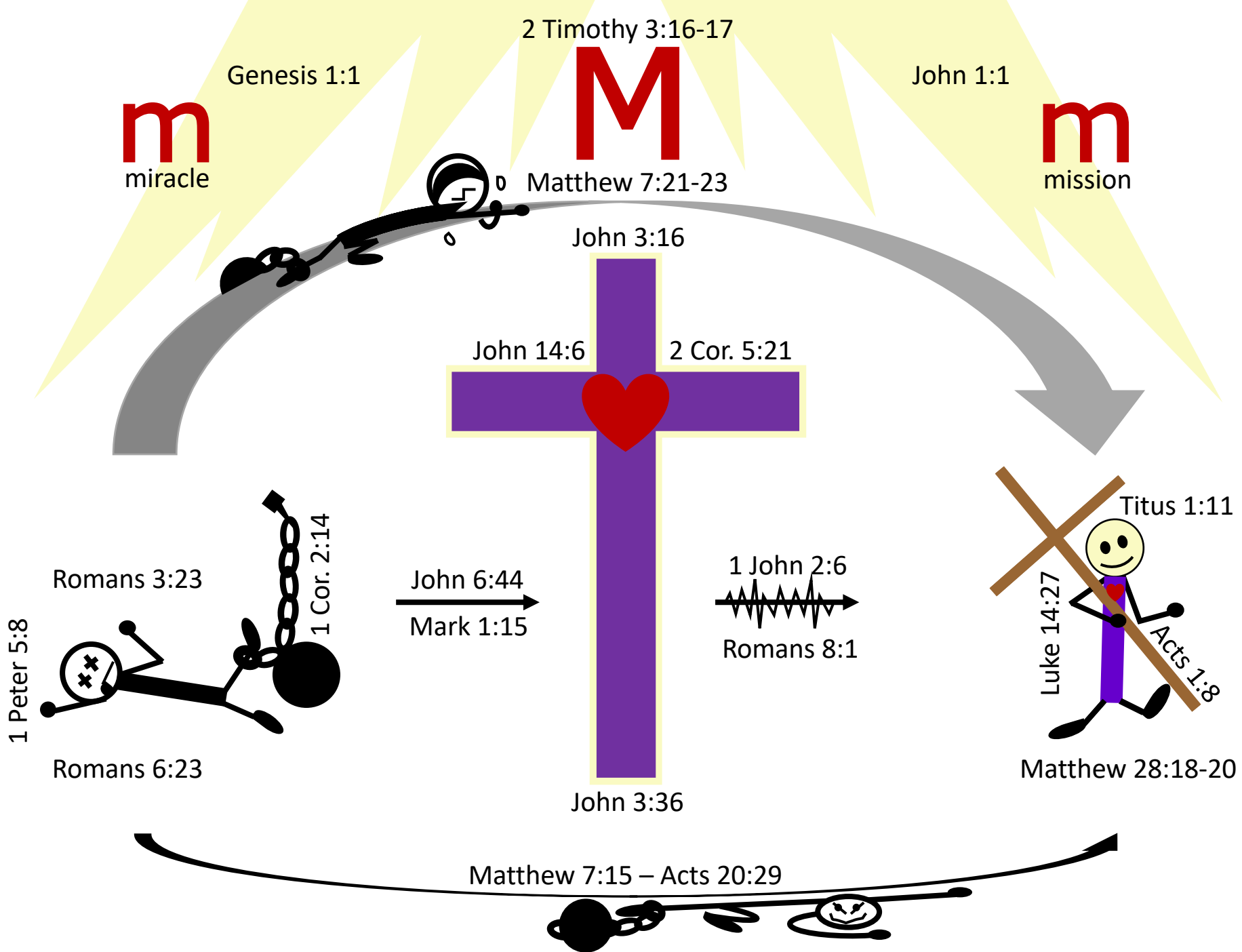
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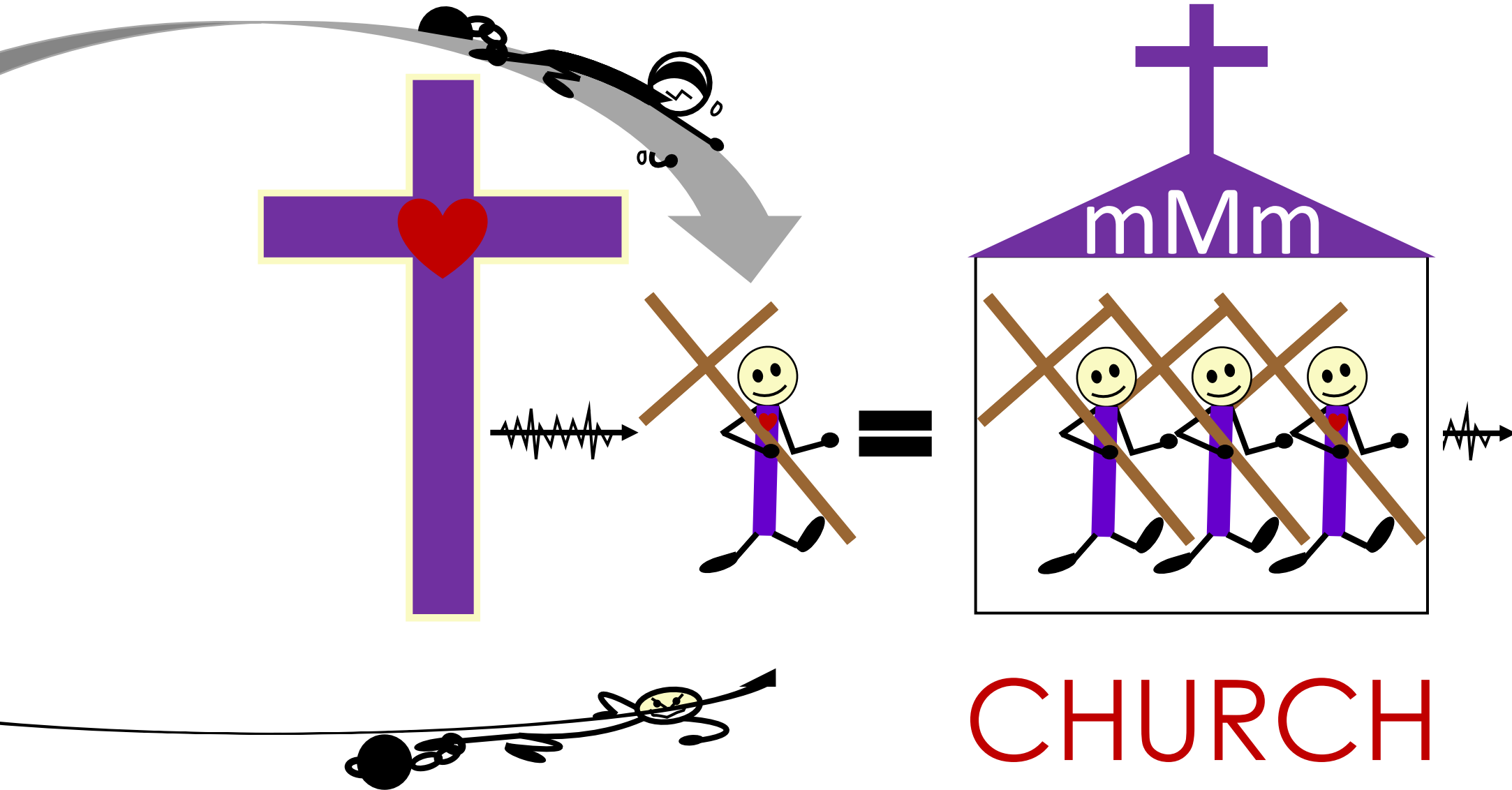
PREVIEW:

- 1 Design
- 3 Divisions
- 5 Disciples
- 7 Details
- 12 Disciplines
- 24 Distinctives





The Stickman

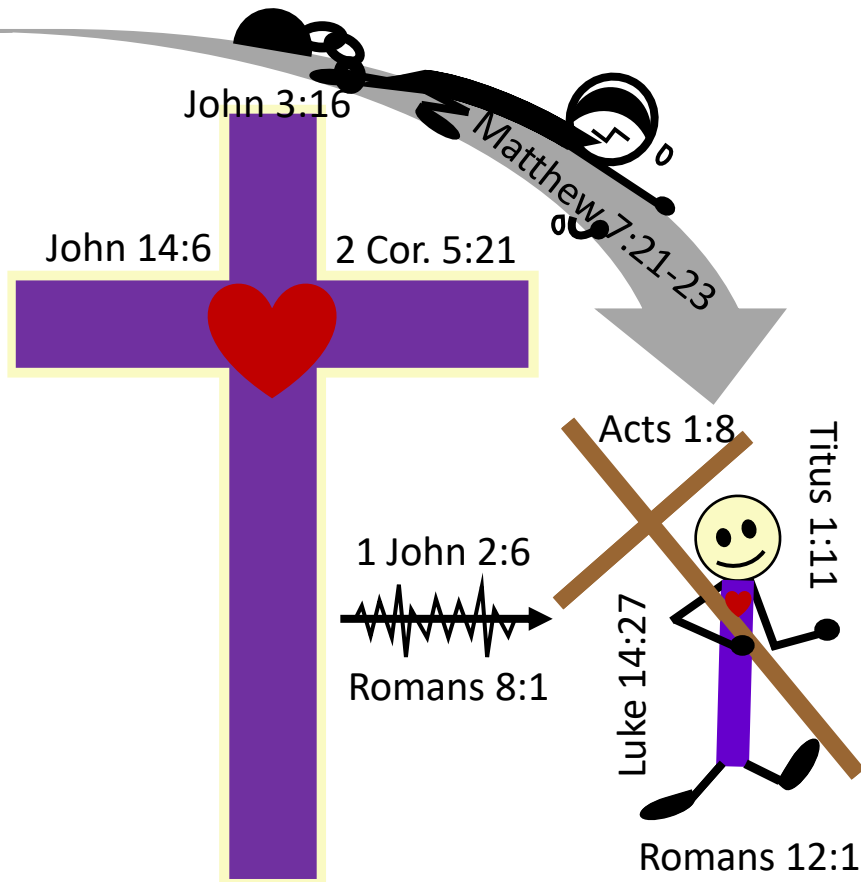


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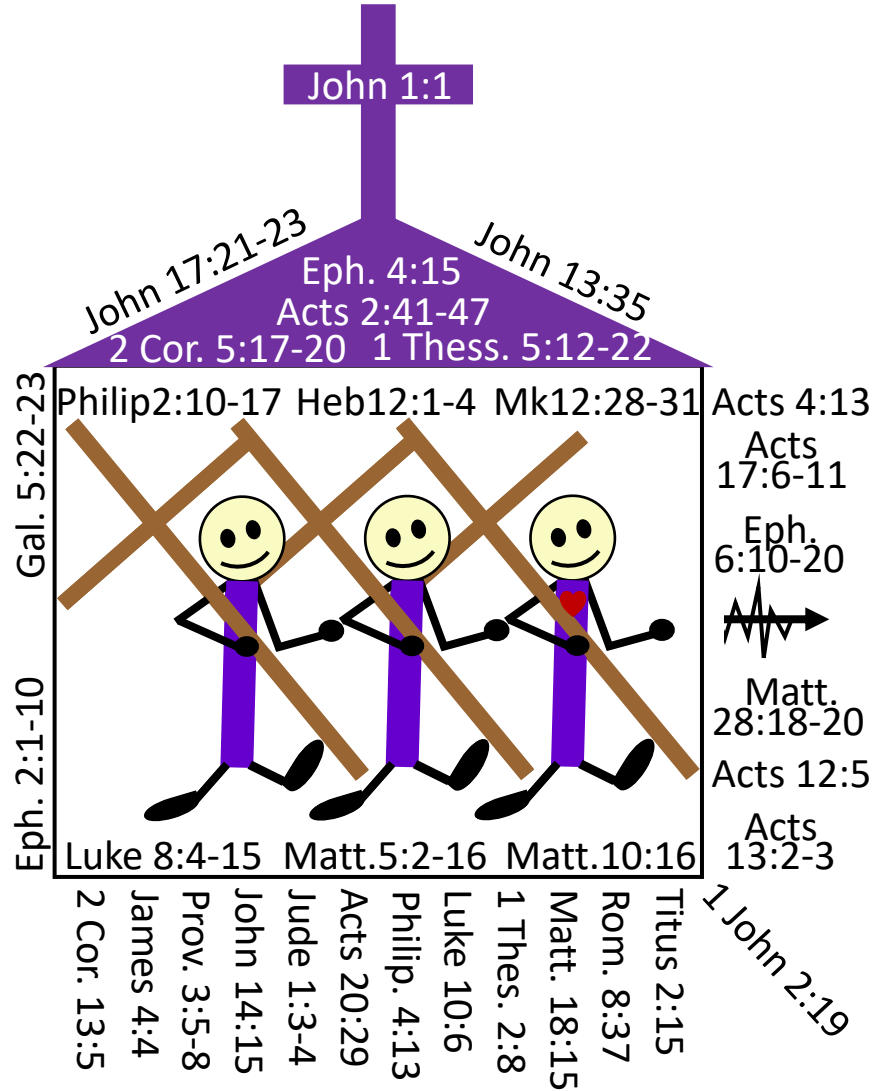
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2 Timothy 3:16-17



Romans 10:9

Matthew 7:15

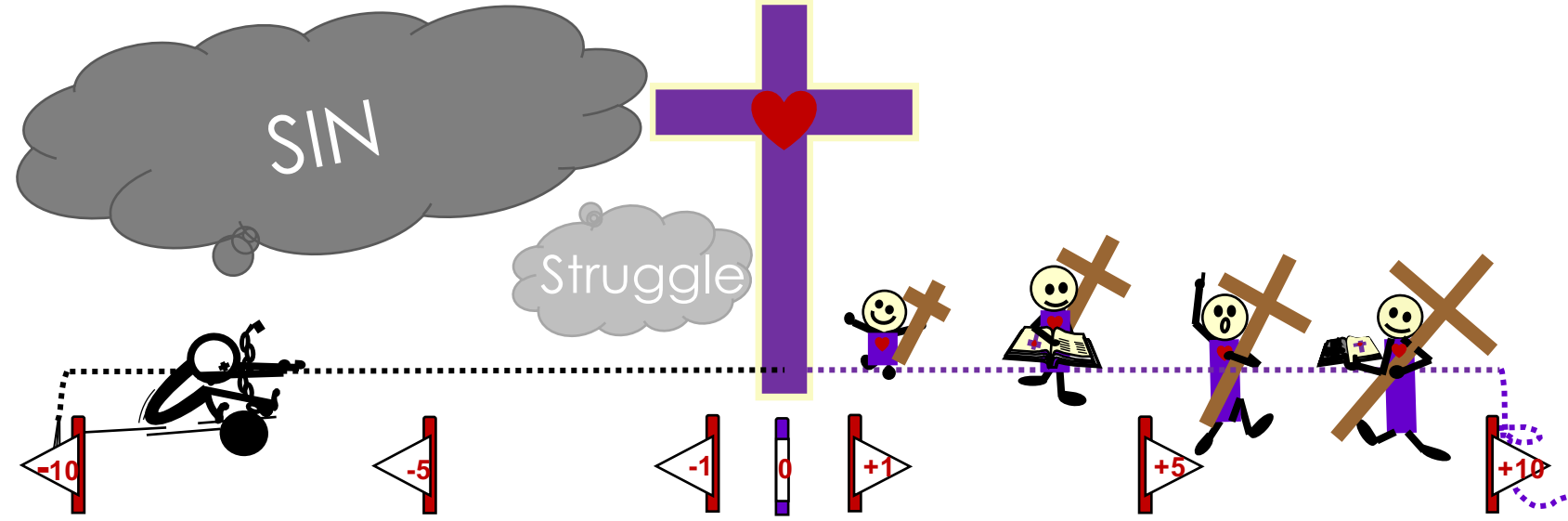
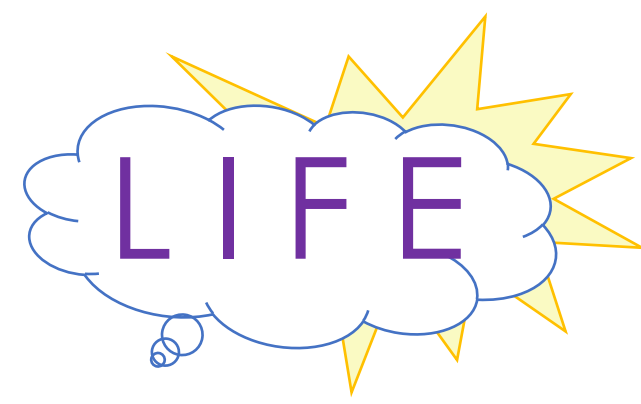
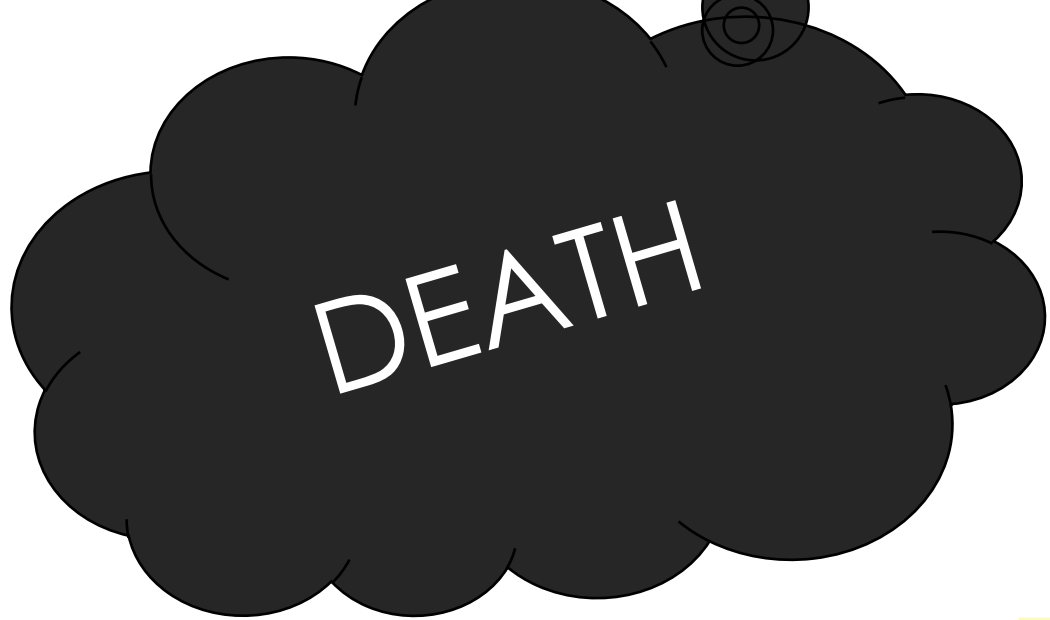


Discipleship:

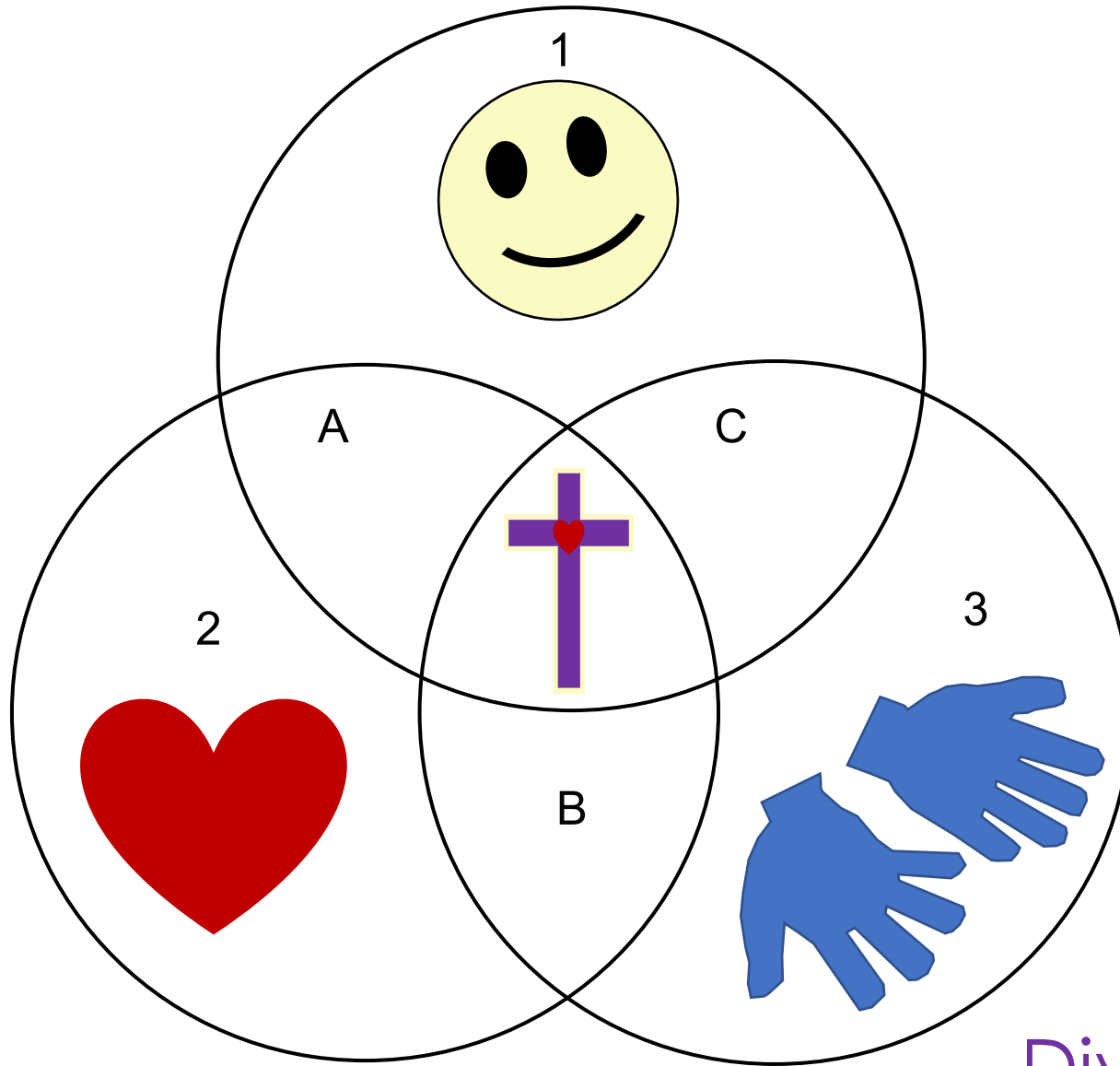
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The intentional endeavors of
“*miraculous, Christ-like, works-in-progress*”
(a.k.a. **Disciples**) engaged in
“*finding the lost AND growing the found*”
into family-members who are in-turn
committed to *making disciples*,
who make disciples, who make disciples...
by God's grace & for His glory.





The Fight

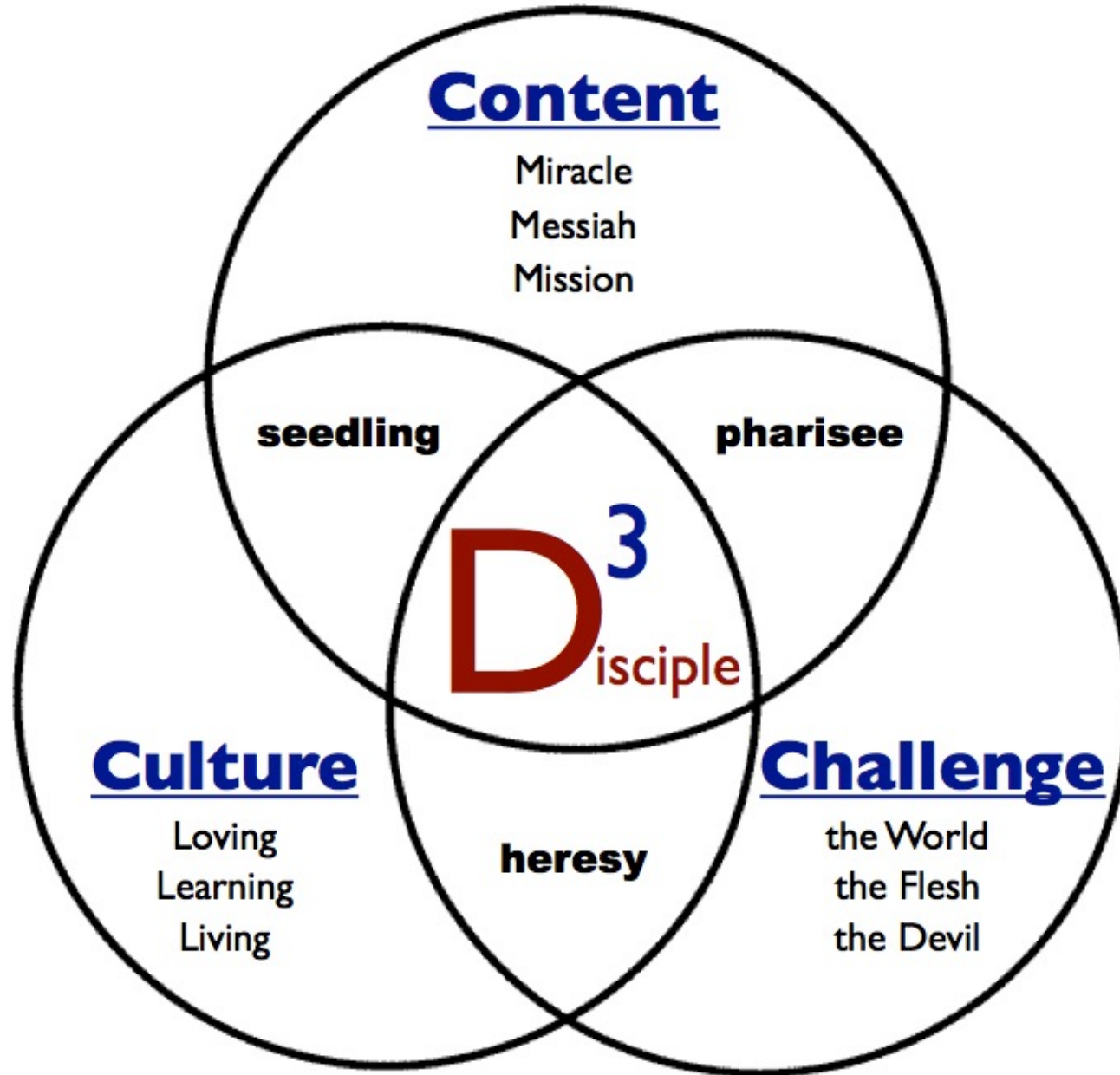


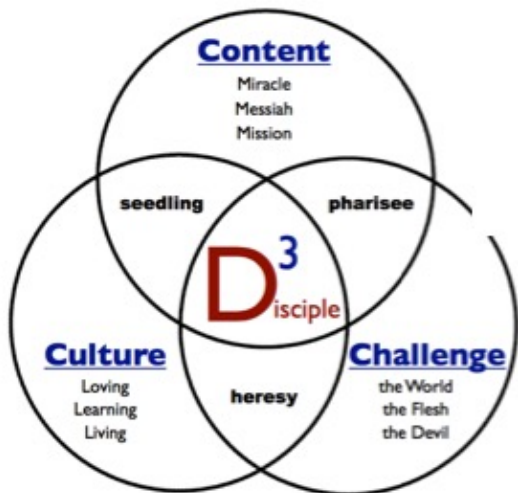
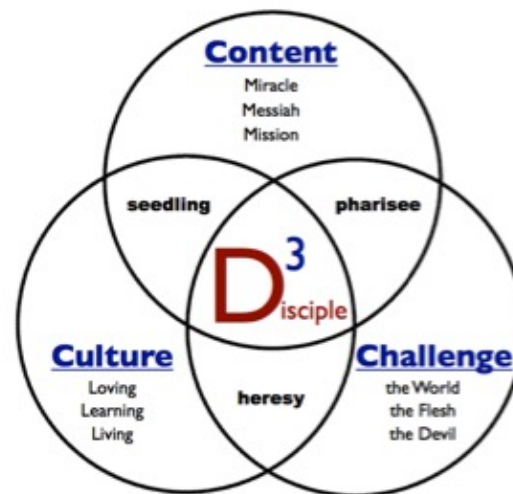
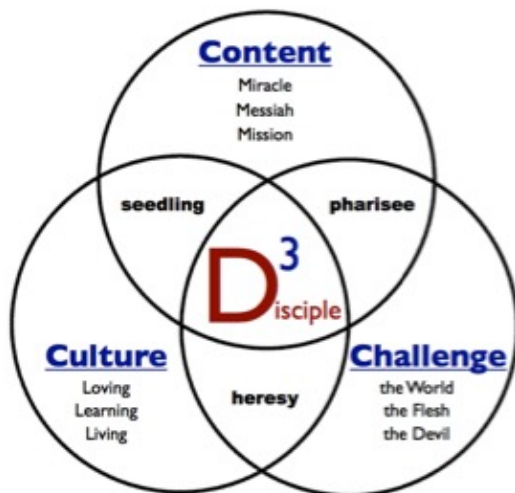
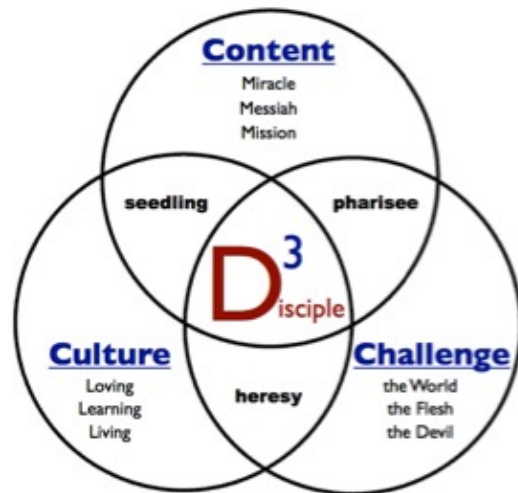
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Divisions

3 DIVISIONS: ALL people,
everywhere, have 3 internal
“divisions” ... The **Head, Heart, &**
Hands unite to define & describe
our lives. That’s why **healthy**
Christianity & **biblical discipleship**
intentionally informs, inspects
& inspires **all 3 divisions.**

DISCIPLESHIP

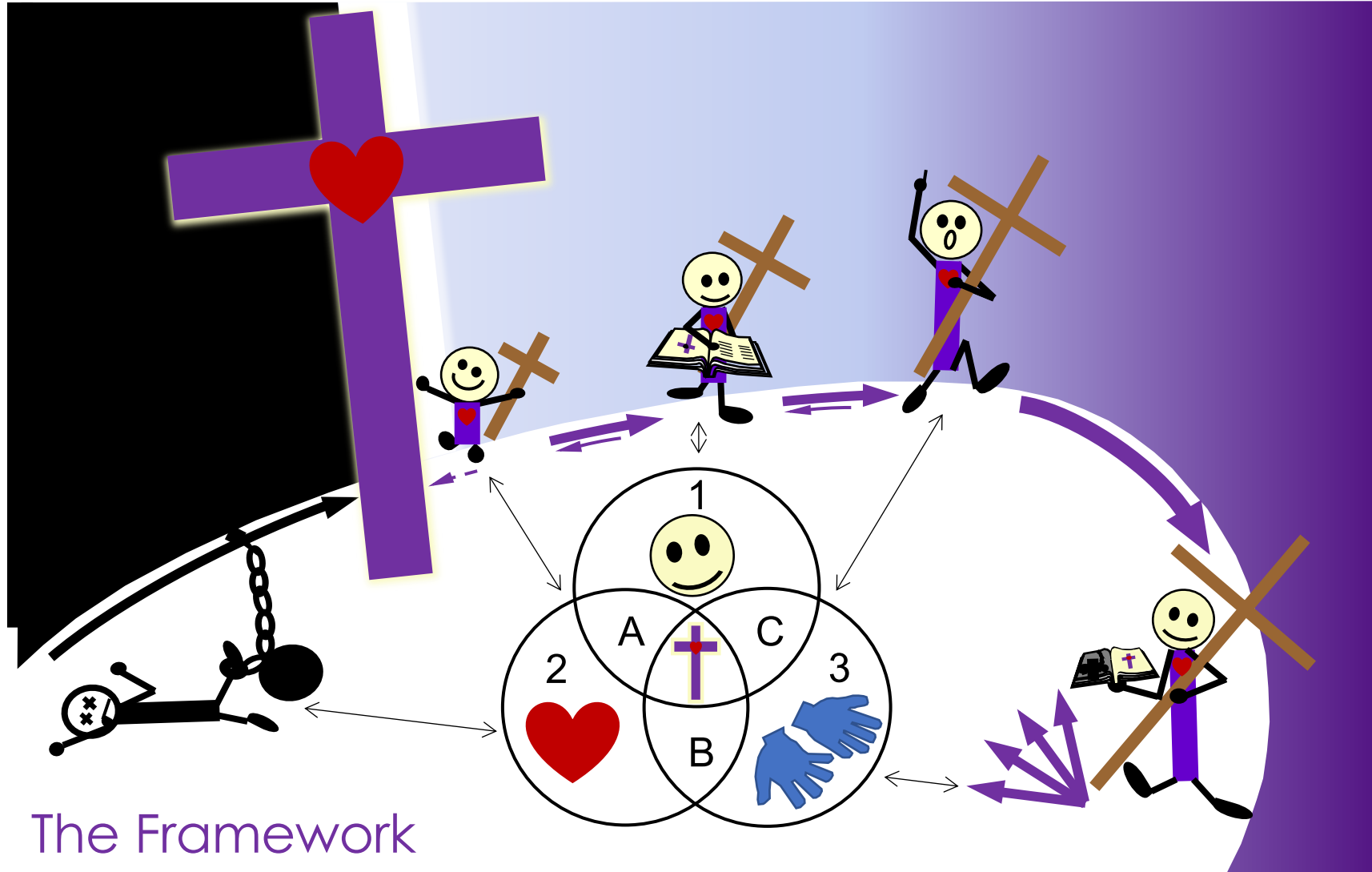
CONTEXTUALIZATION





CHURCH "GROWTH"

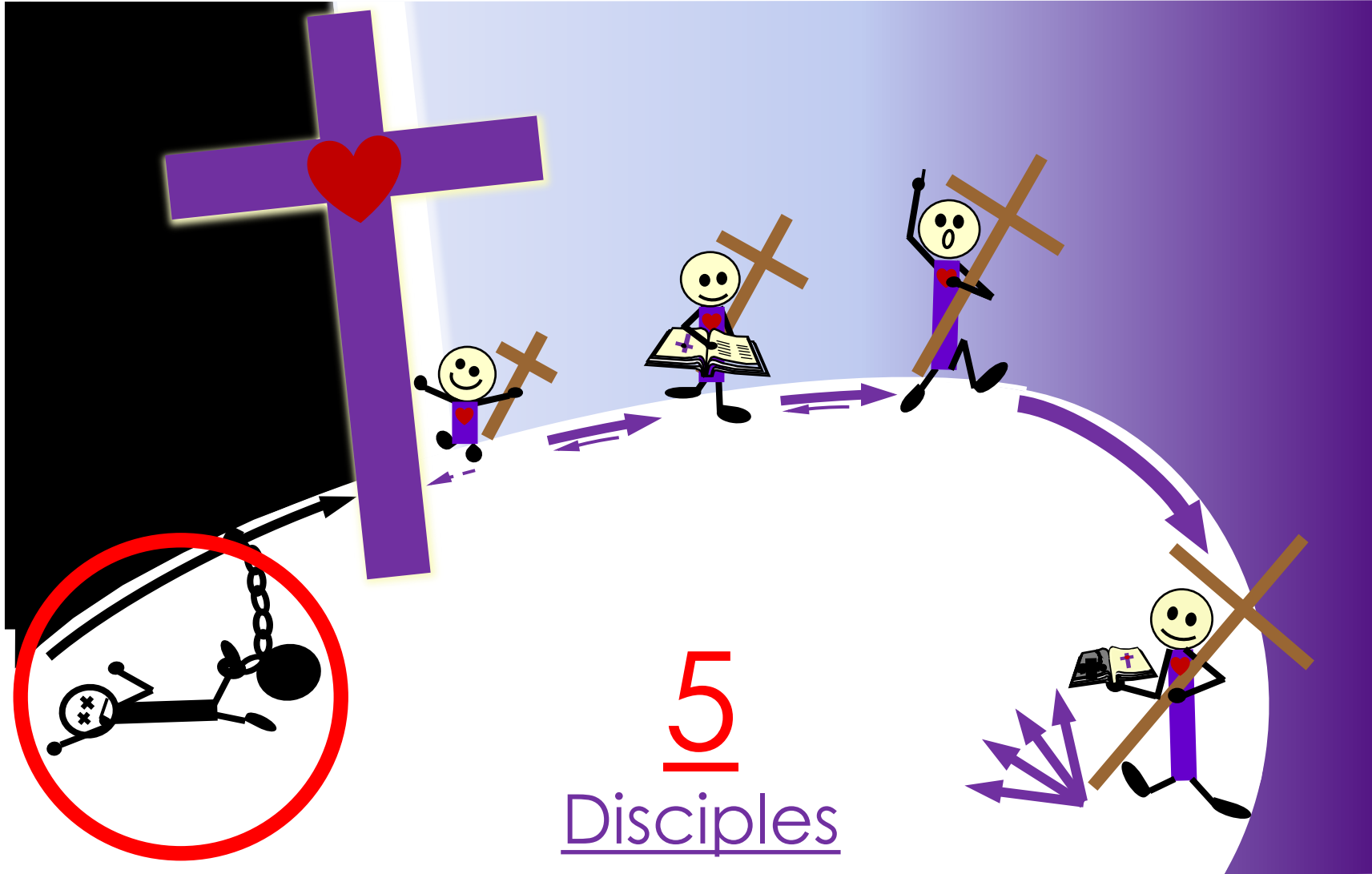
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The Framework

5 DISCIPLES: The world is made up of 5 different types of people (a.k.a. “disciples”). Spiritually speaking, everyone fits somewhere in this biblical & progressive blueprint... Are you amongst the Lost, Lovers, Learners, Leaders, or Lifers?

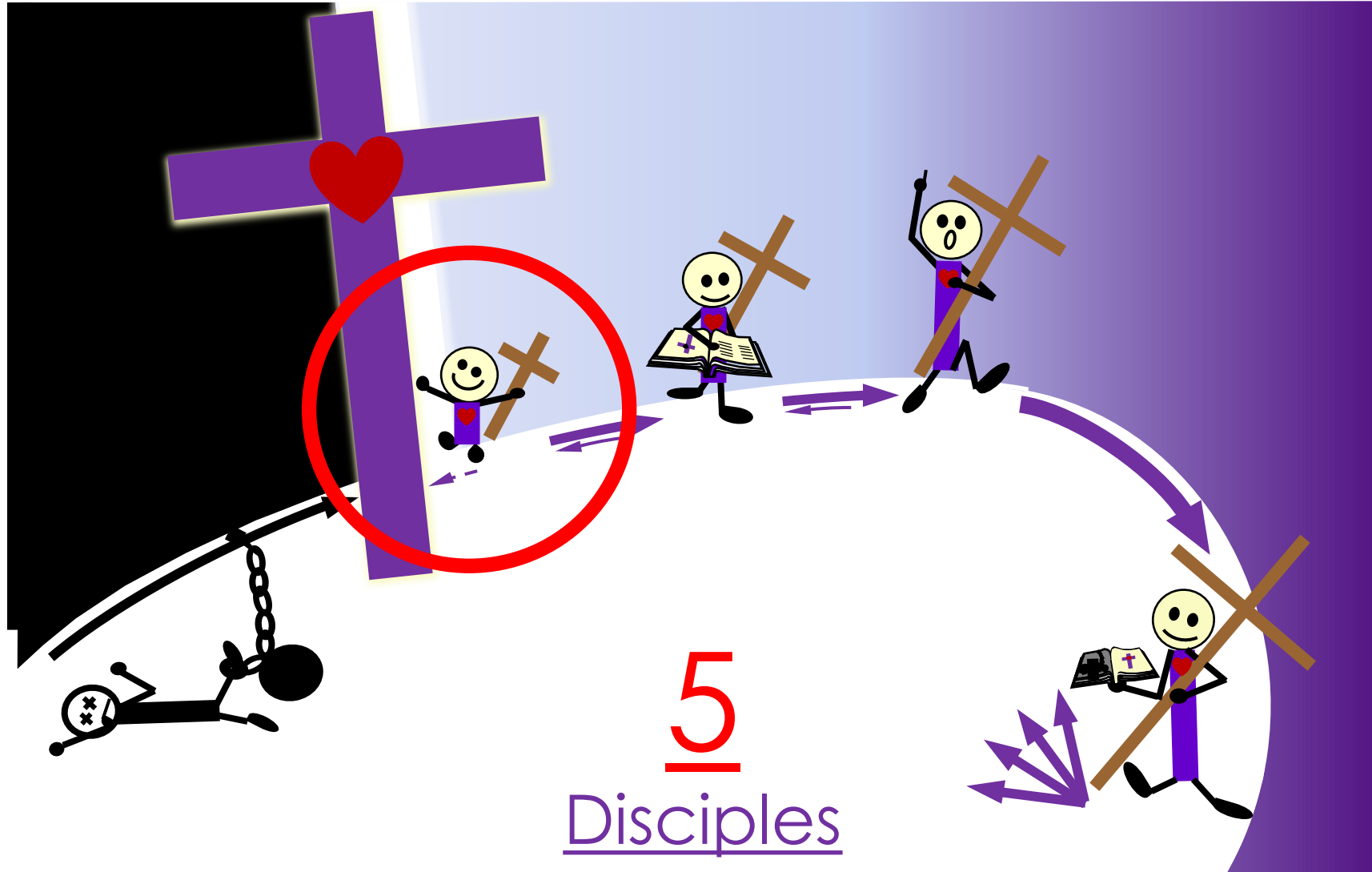
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The LOST

All who are wrongly & rebelliously related to the God of the Bible; the spiritually **blind & stubborn**; they are neither surrendered to the Lordship of Jesus Christ, nor filled with His Spirit... While such souls are **often “religious,”** they **remain unrepentant, unbelieving, unfruitful & disobedient.** The **“lost” are spiritually-dead** sinners.

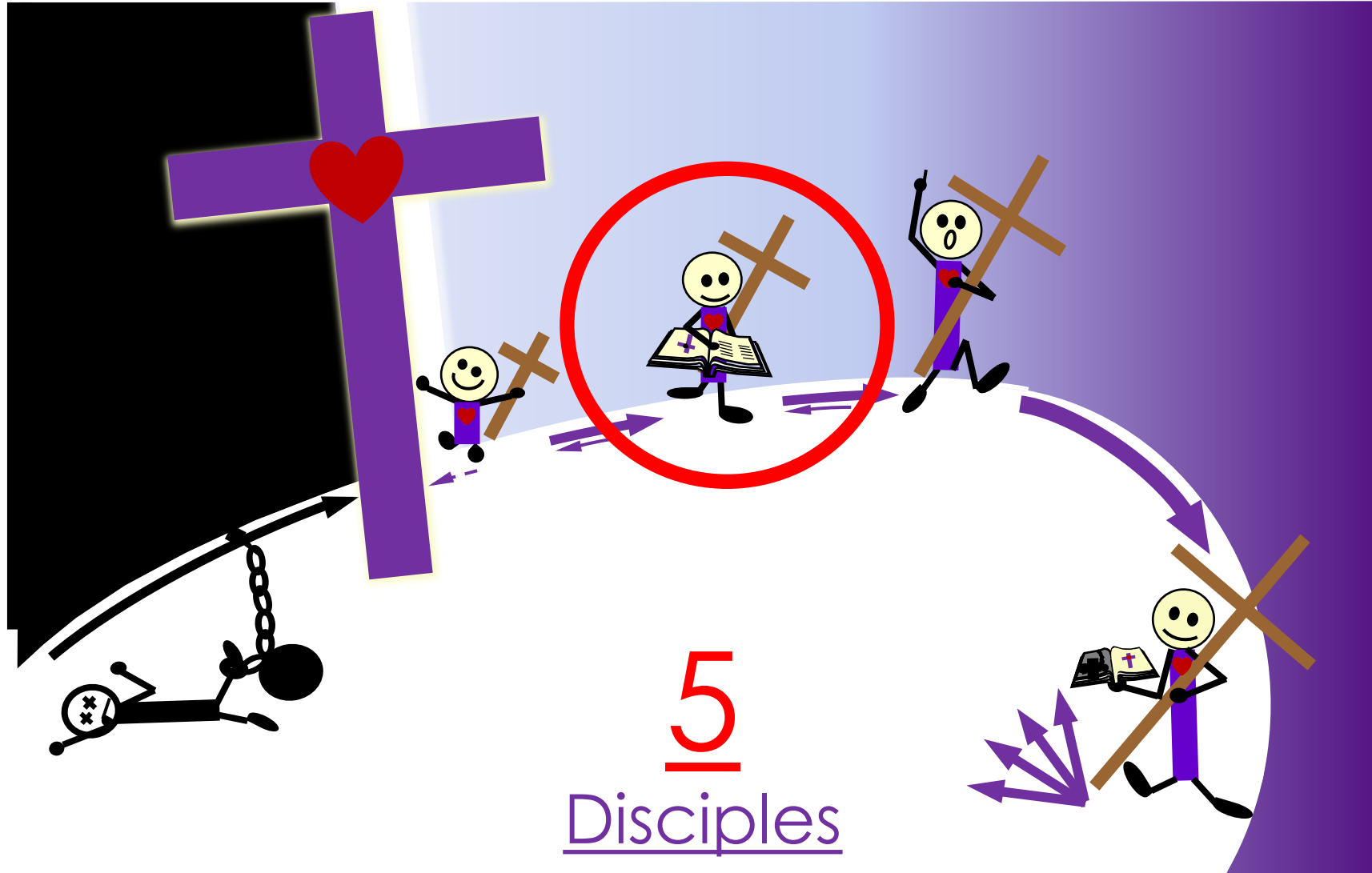
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The LOVER

All born-again, Holy Spirit-filled, repentant & faithful “**infant-followers**” of the Lord Jesus Christ... **Lovers** are miraculously changed (while often missionally immature), in-filled but not fully informed; eternally saved but not yet missionally shaped. **Lovers** are saved sinners (aka - biblical disciples) now ready-for and in need of maturing discipleship

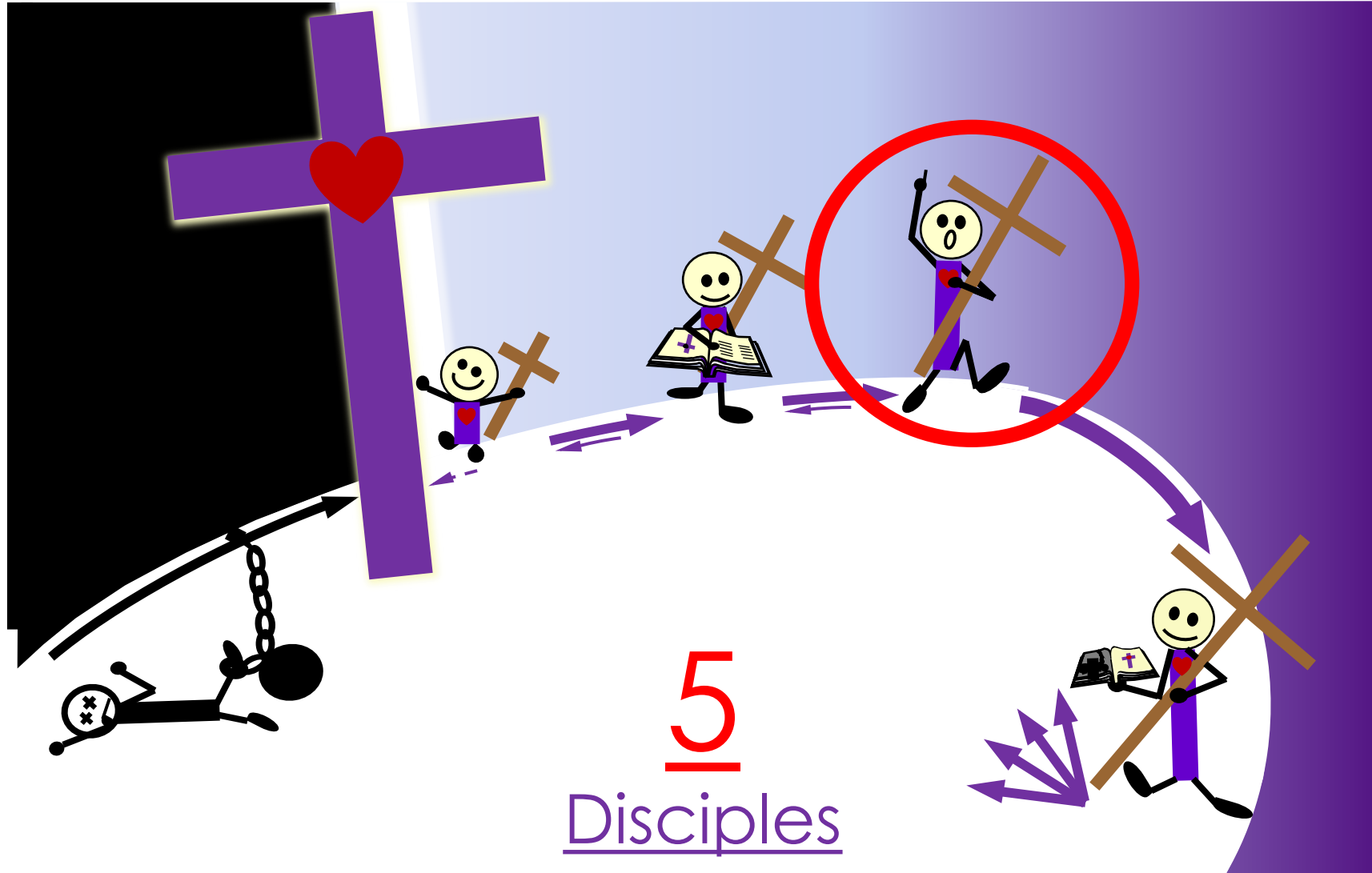
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The LEARNER

A born again, growing, fruit-producing, biblical-follower of the Lord Jesus Christ; a **spiritual adolescent** (complete with their typical ups & downs)... Discovery & development, amidst a dark & distracting world, are daily dynamics in the **“Learner’s”** life, as they are actively & intentionally disciplined in how to live & love in the light of their new Christian identity.

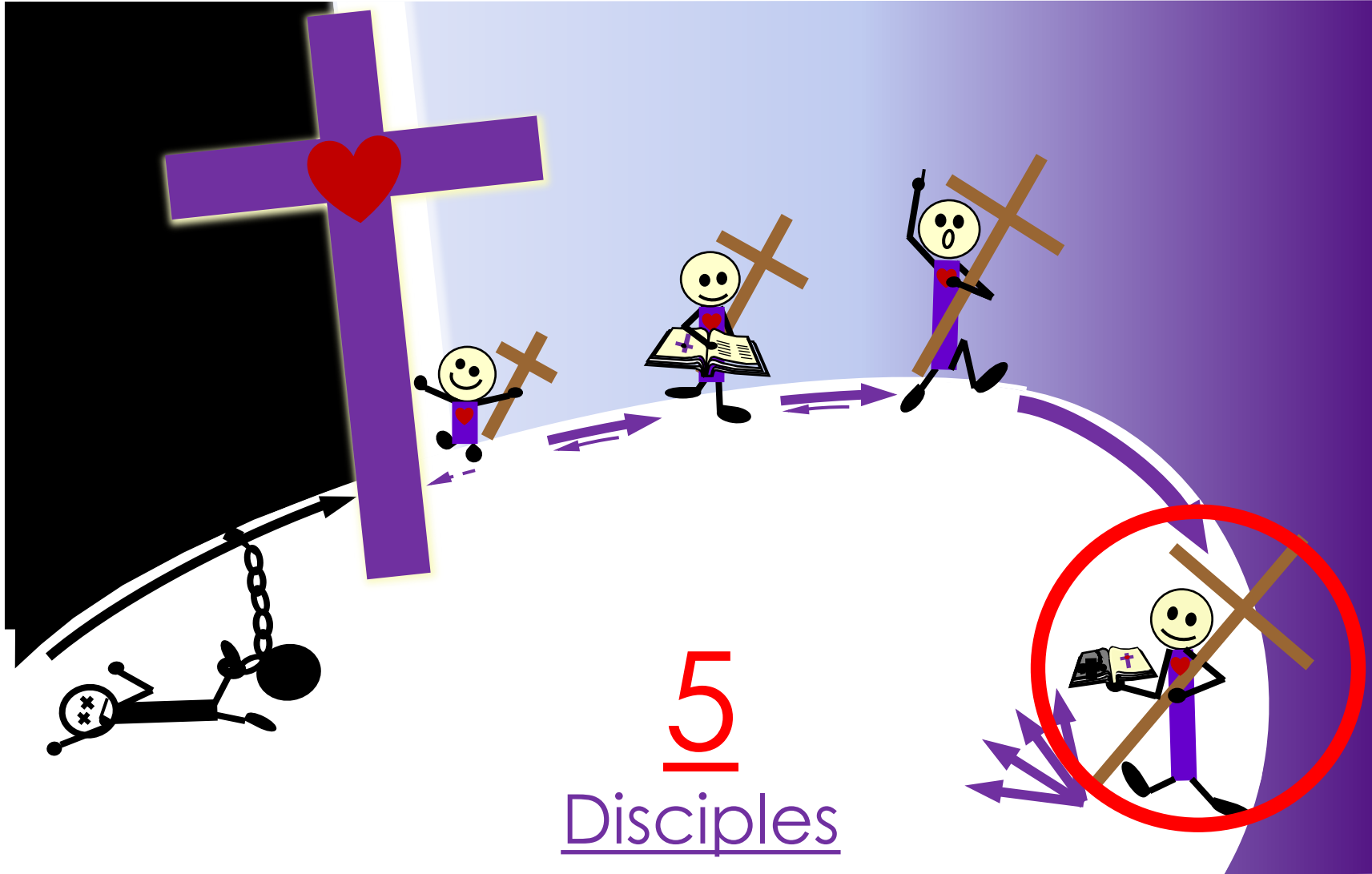
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The LEADER

A stable, born again, spiritual-adult; a disciple whose DNA & discipleship (both inward & outward) are producing a **pattern** of missional, Christ-like, servant-oriented, multiplying-fruit, in the context of faithfully following the Lord Jesus Christ... **Leaders** are fishers of men; spiritual pillars, koinonia-championing chaperones; &/or spiritual “parents” in the family of God.

L I F E



5
Disciples

The LIFER

An **imperfect** but passionate, **all-in**, biblically-mature, fully devoted follower of the Lord Jesus Christ... **Lifers** are missionally & exponentially, fruit-producing, servant-leaders. **Lifers** are a God-given gift to the Church. **Lifers** are spiritual under-shepherds with God-given authority & responsibilities; they are **equippers who make disciples who make disciples who make disciples.**

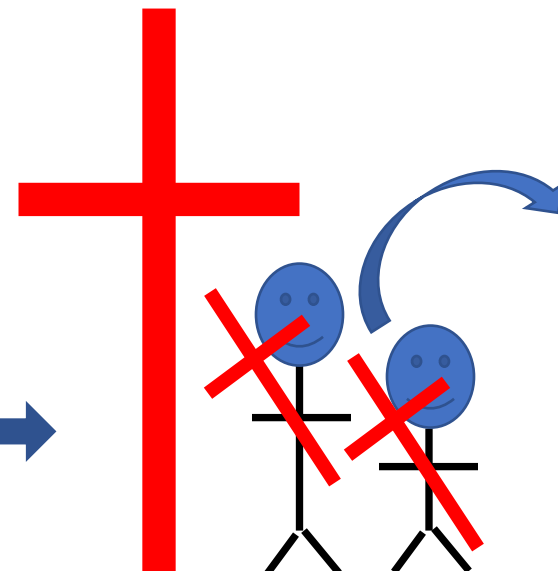
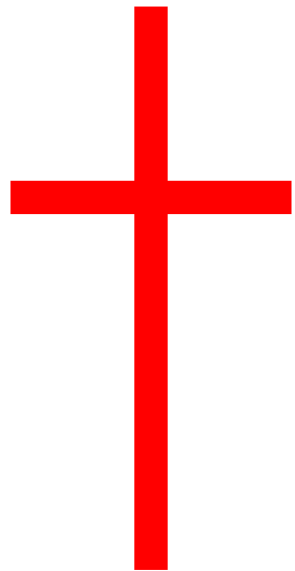
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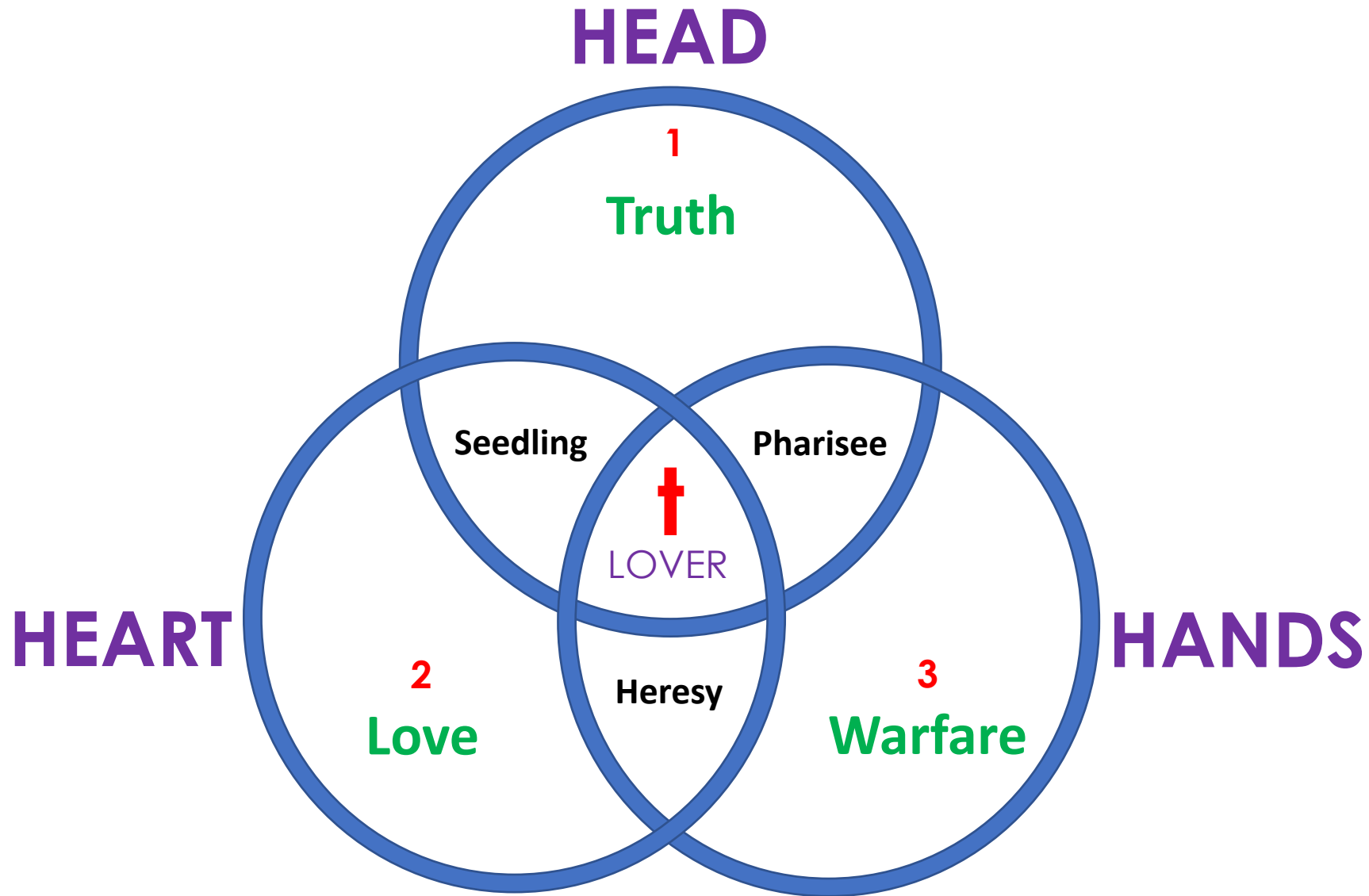
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Blueprint

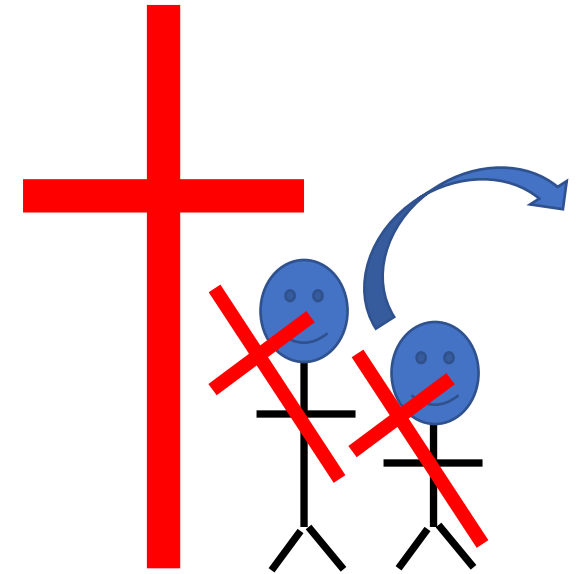
Borrow

Build





Build



P.L.A.N.

Personal Prayer
 Love & Learn
 Apply & Adjust
 Nurture NOW!

The **7 I's**

of

① Biblical ② **BE**-ing's ③
④ disciple ⑤ **build**-ing! ⑥ ⑦

The **7 I's**

1

Initiate

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Invite

3

Invest

4

Inform

5

Inspect

6

Inspire

7

Impact

1. INITIATE

BE-ing begins when God initiates & we obey.

**BE-ing champions first things first...
knowing that God & His grace initiate
saving faith, followed by a disciple's
1st commitment: to repent & believe.**

2. INVITE

BE-ing involves inviting ALL people to Christ.

**BE-ing multiplies diverse disciples...
which begins when God's faith family
invites ALL people everywhere to
come to Christ.**

3. INVEST

BE-ing invests in the few who come to Christ.

BE-ing prays, obeys, invites all to come to Christ, and then invests in the biblical few who prove to be faithful, available, & teachable.

4. INFORM

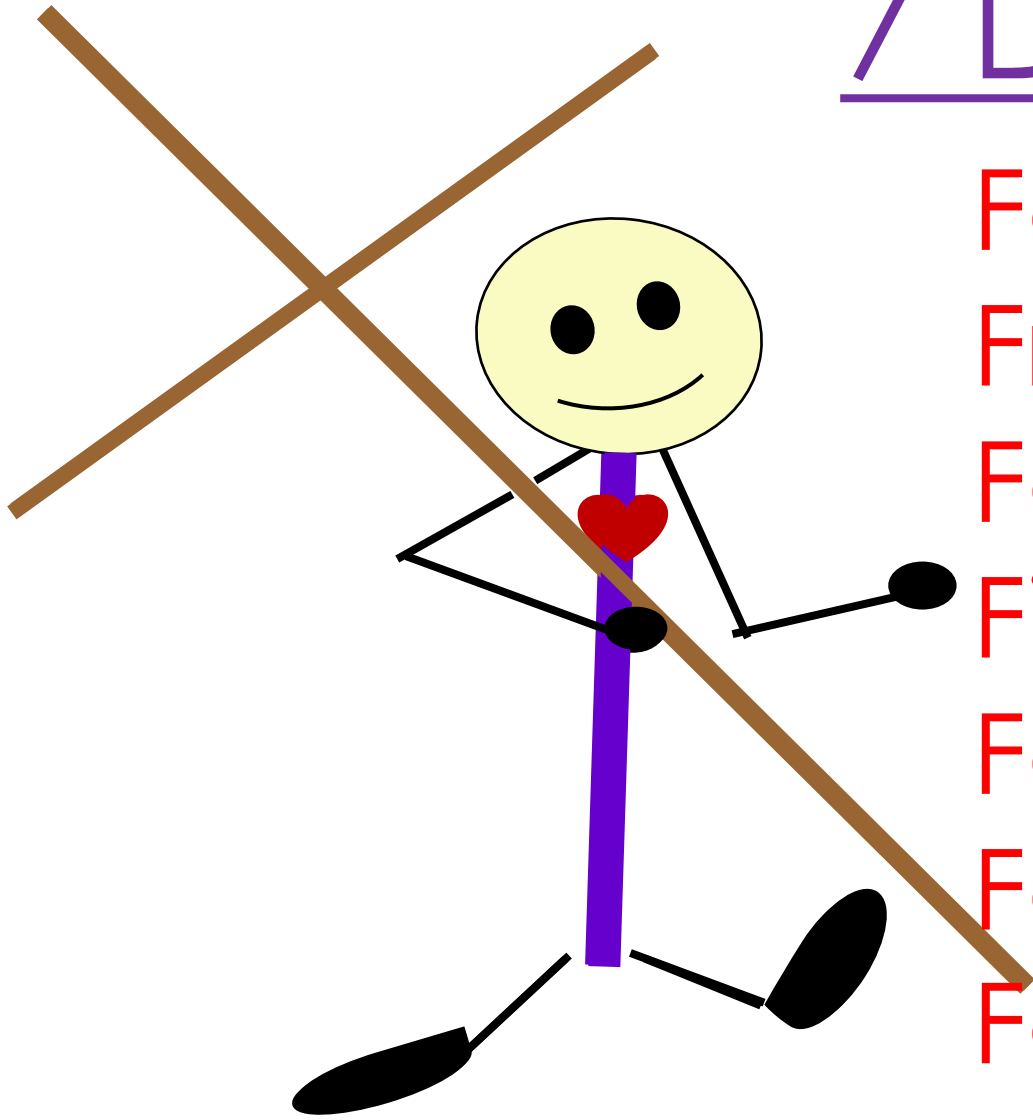
BE-ing informs folks of God's plan & blueprint.

BE-ing informs and builds biblically...

with God's truth in love.

Both... the lost & found need

to BE informed daily & indefinitely.



7 Details:

Foundations
Framework
Facts
Fight
Faith
Family
Forever

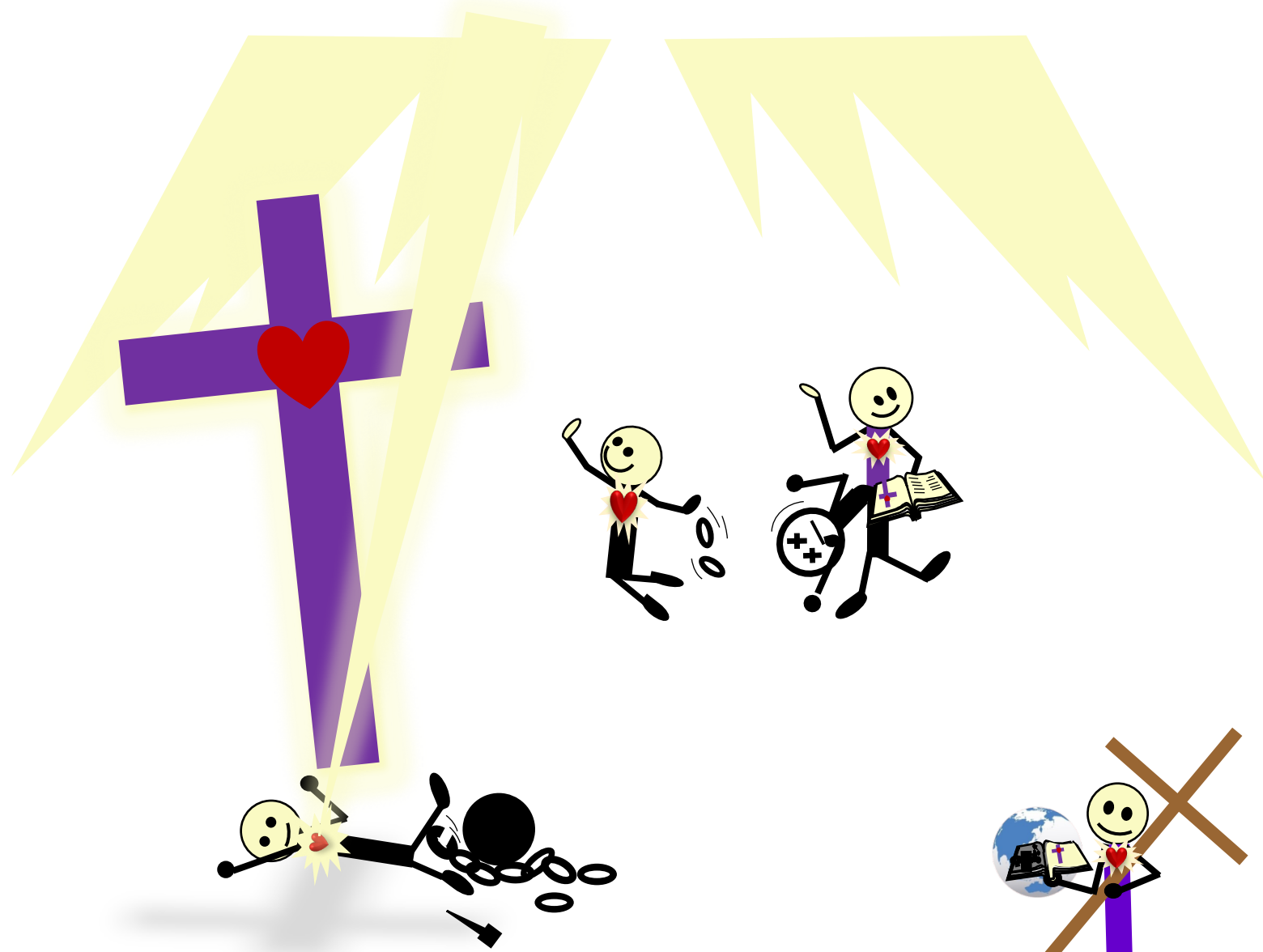
7 DETAILS: The divine is in the details... Here we have what we also call **The Fundamentals**, that which explains the core & comprehensive truths of Christianity, as well as a biblical worldview.

5. INSPECT

BE-ing obeys by inspecting the informed.

BE-ing is always under attack by the wicked & wolves in sheep's clothing.

By God's grace, biblical inspecting reduces the risk of deadly infecting...



Responding to grace

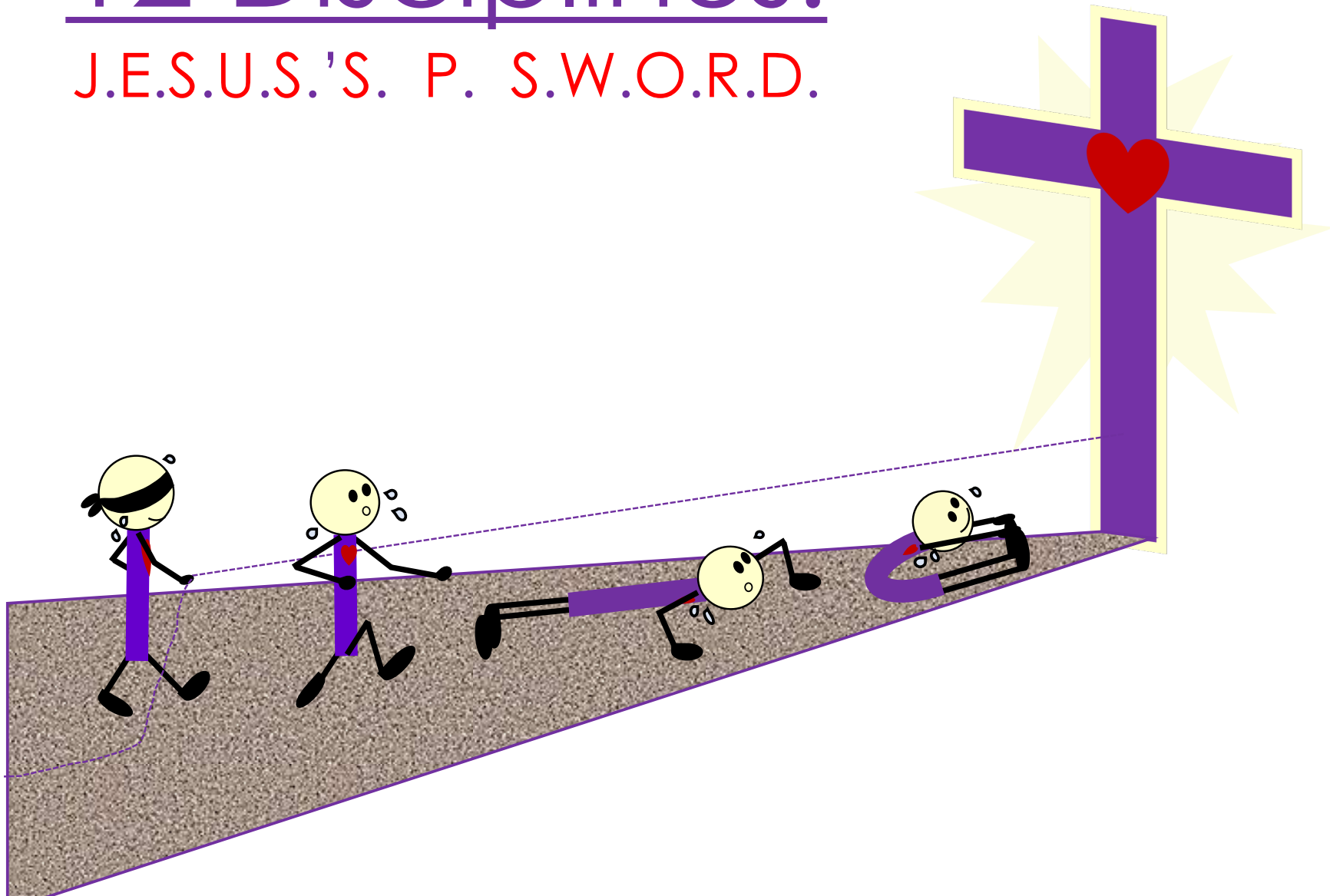
6. INSPIRE

BE-ing inspires the informed & the inspected.

BE-ing seeks to bring God glory by finding & growing more glorifiers...

Hard working & holy worshippers inspire others to BE His witnesses...

12 Disciplines: J.E.S.U.S.'S P. S.W.O.R.D.



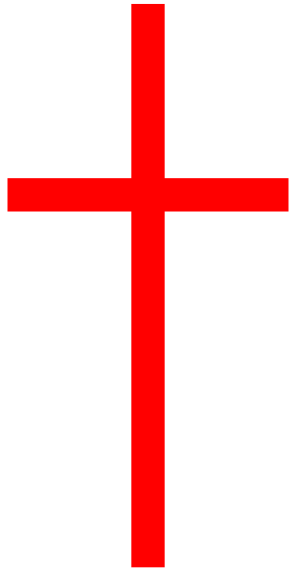
7. IMPACT!

BE-ing impacts eternity via discipleship.

BE-ing impacts every aspect of every disciple's DO-ing! As we grow in the fruit of the Spirit & our Spiritual gifts, our eternal impact will grow.

Believe

The
Almighty
Architect



John 14:6

Romans 10:9

Philippians 2:11

Blueprint

His
progressive
P.L.A.N.



2 Timothy 3:16-17

1 Timothy 4:16

John 20:21

Borrow

His
“truth-in-love”
Toolbox



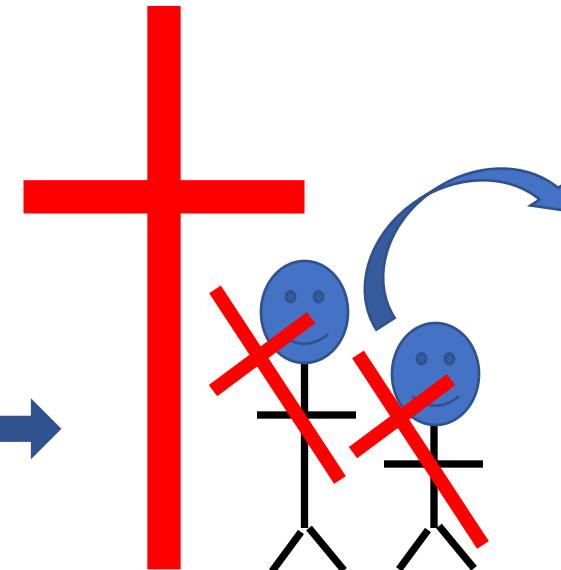
Ephesians 4:15

Matthew 10:16

2 Corinthians 5:17-21

Build

His
“buildings”
In-progress



Matthew 28:18-20

Acts 2:41-47

2 Timothy 2:1-6

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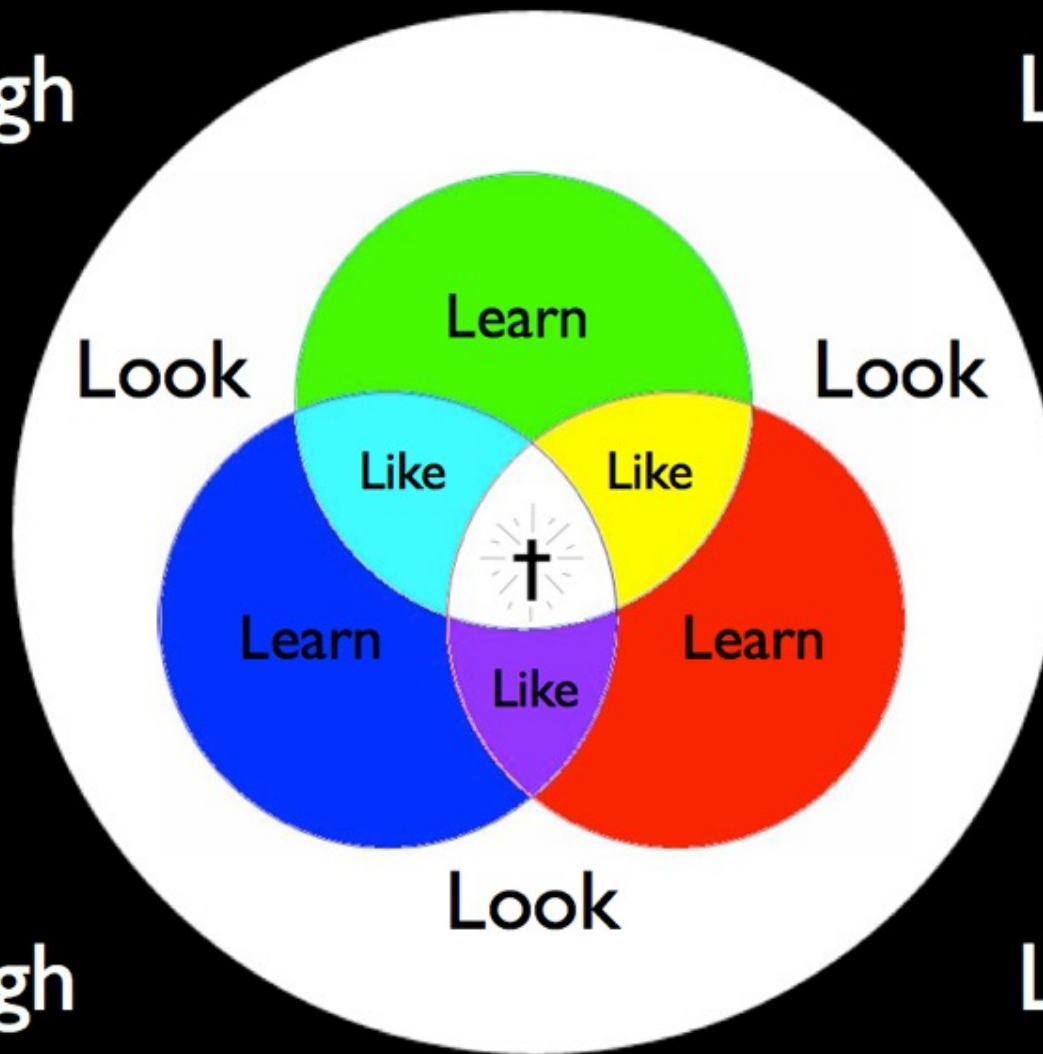
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Eternal Circle

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