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Understanding Our Times... 7 Threats Converging Today



1. Rise of the Scoffer and the Depraved Mind



2. Rise of Homo Deus and Meo-Christianity



3. Loss of the Noble Male & Virtuous Female & the Rise of Malevolent Compassion



#4. The Consolidation of Massive Earthly Power



5. Rise of a Demonic Worldview



6. Addicted & Soft, Dependent & Lost



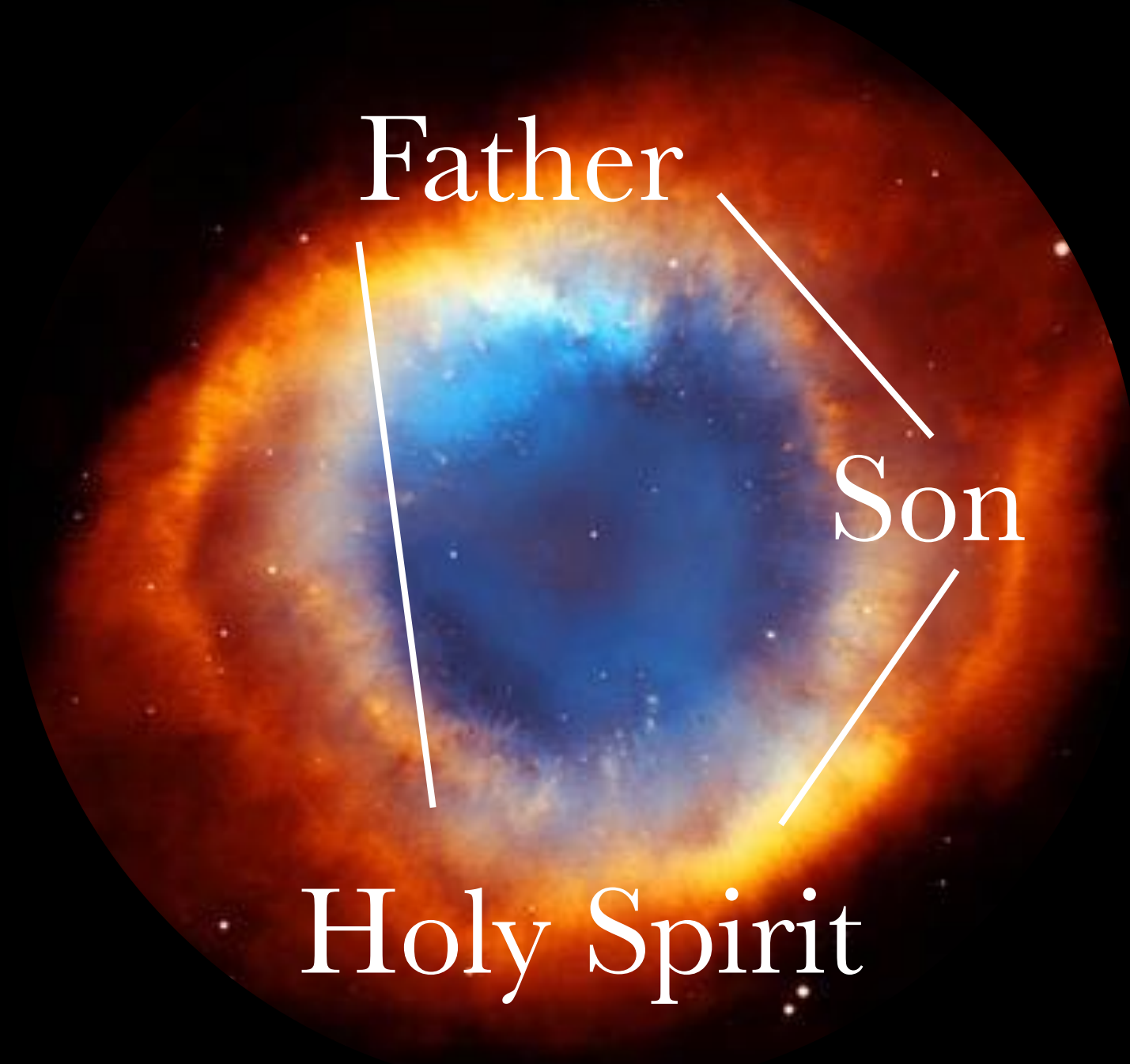
7. Attack Upon the Biblical Family

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Triune nature of God

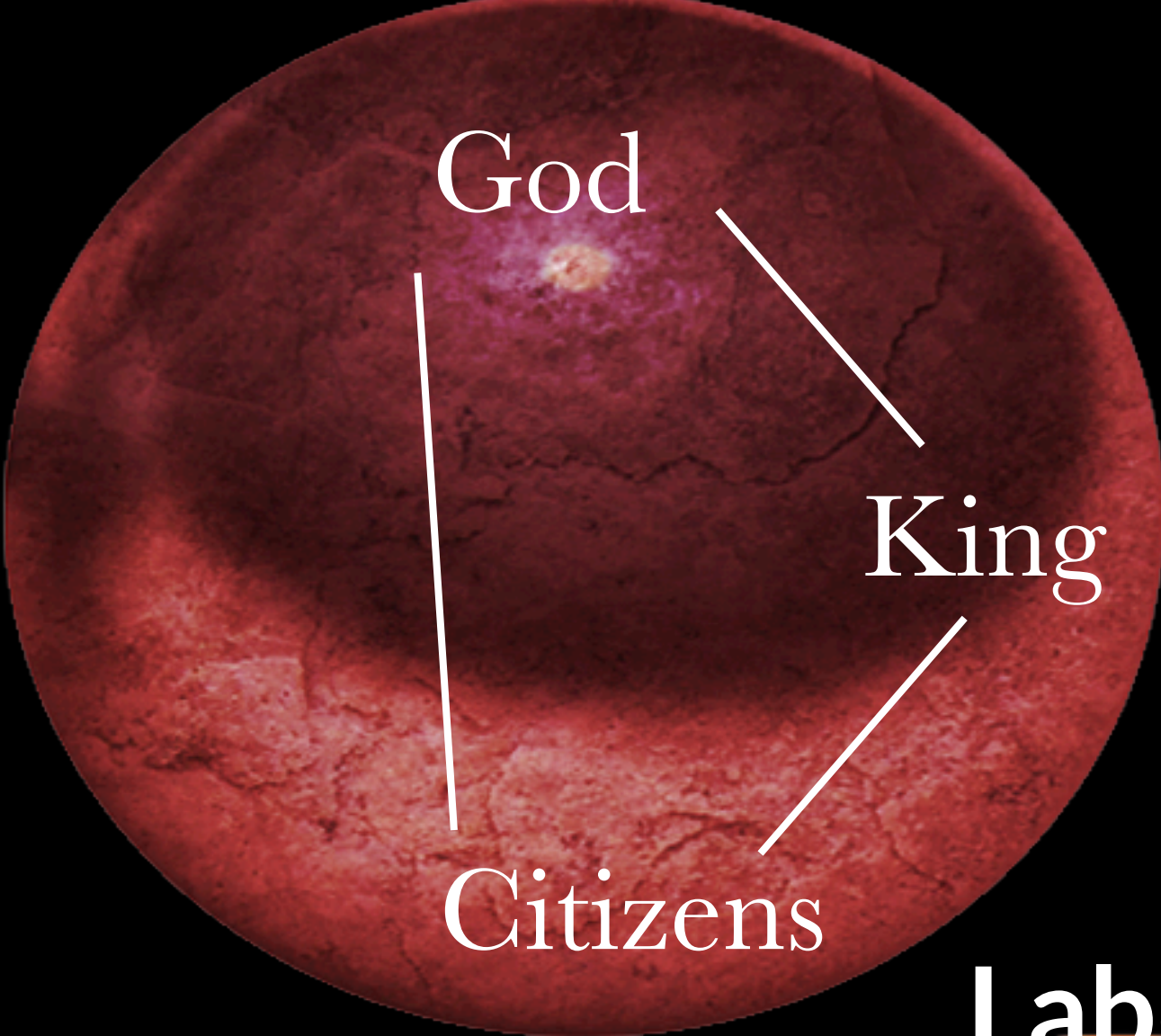
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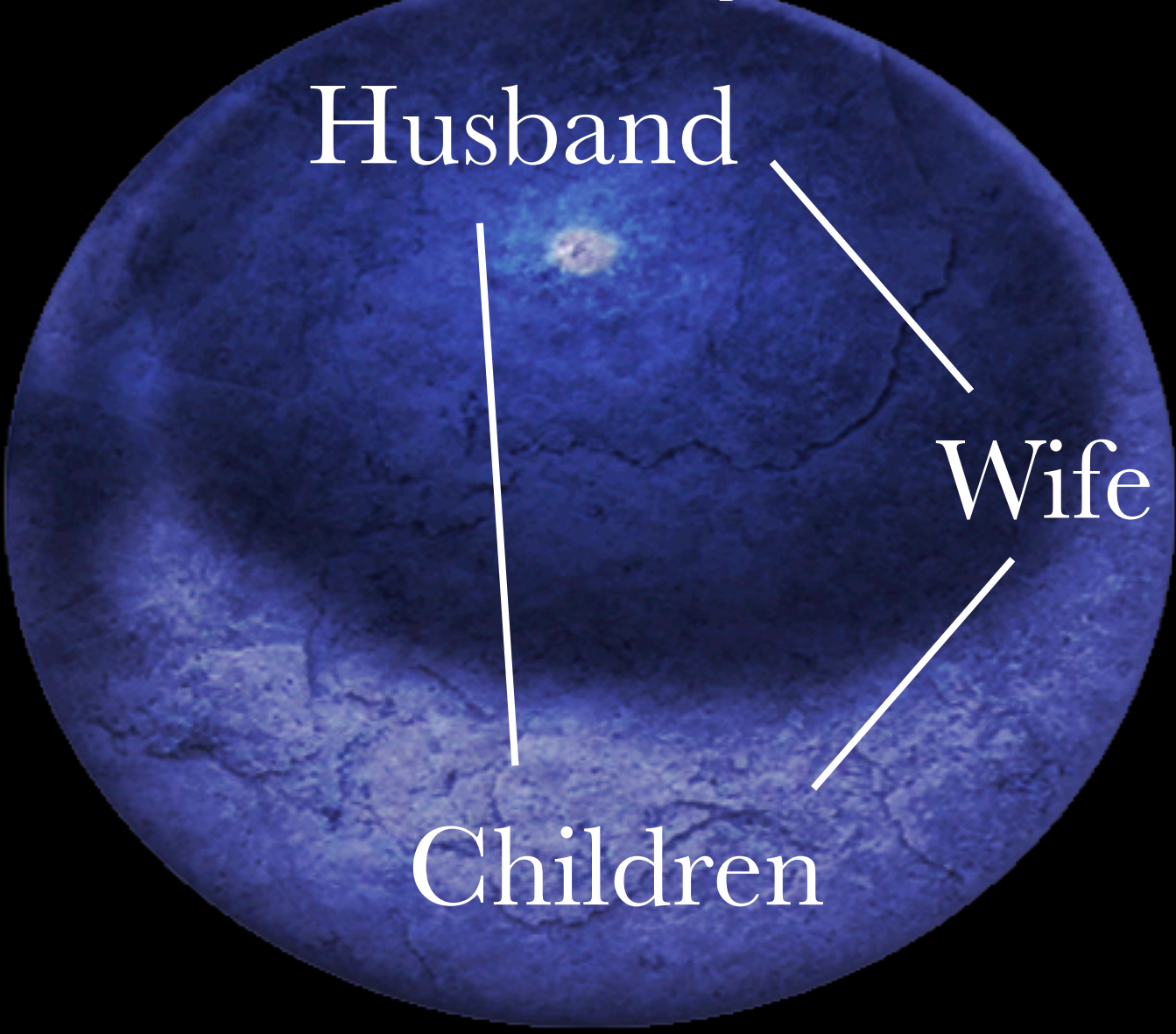
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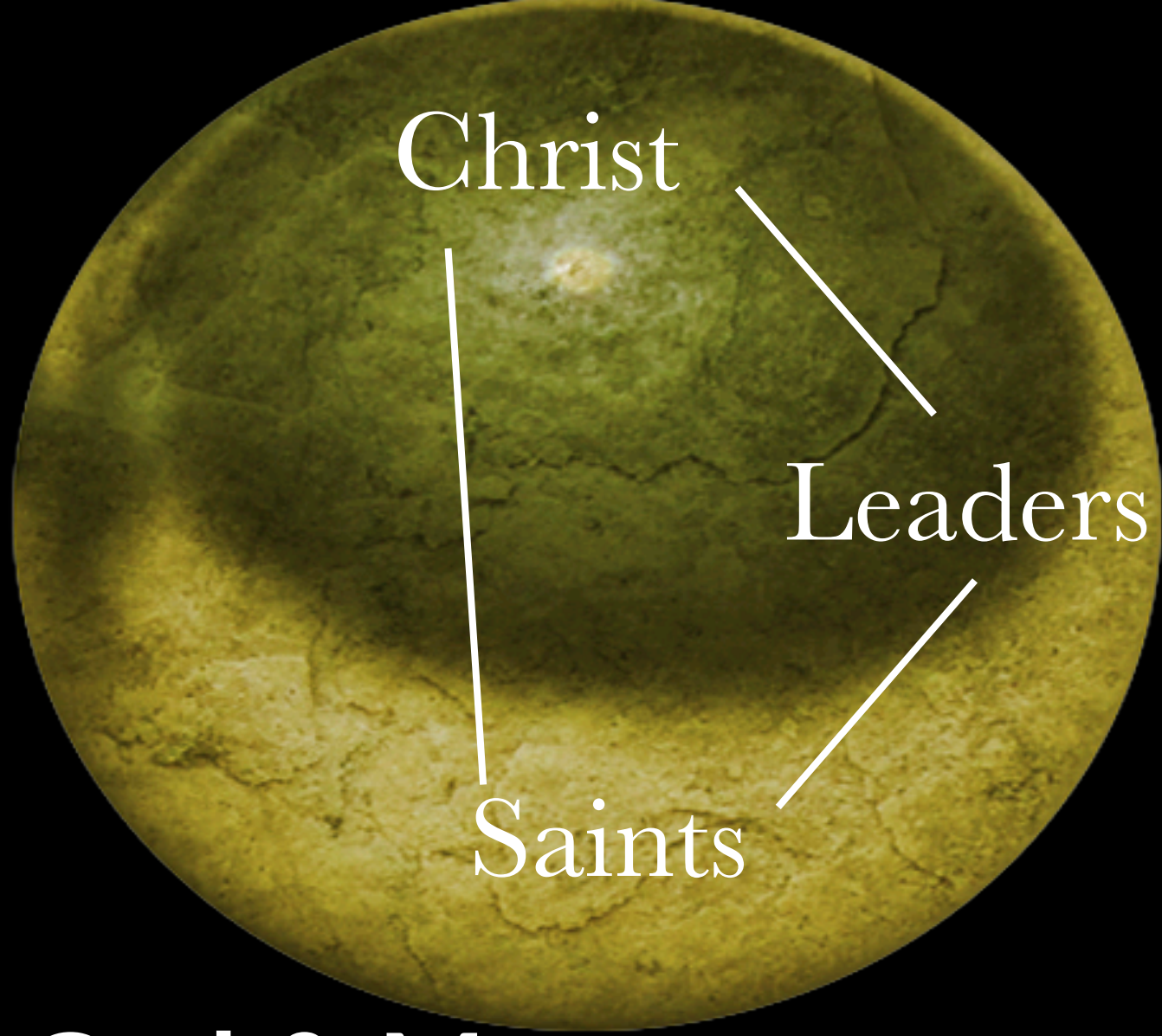
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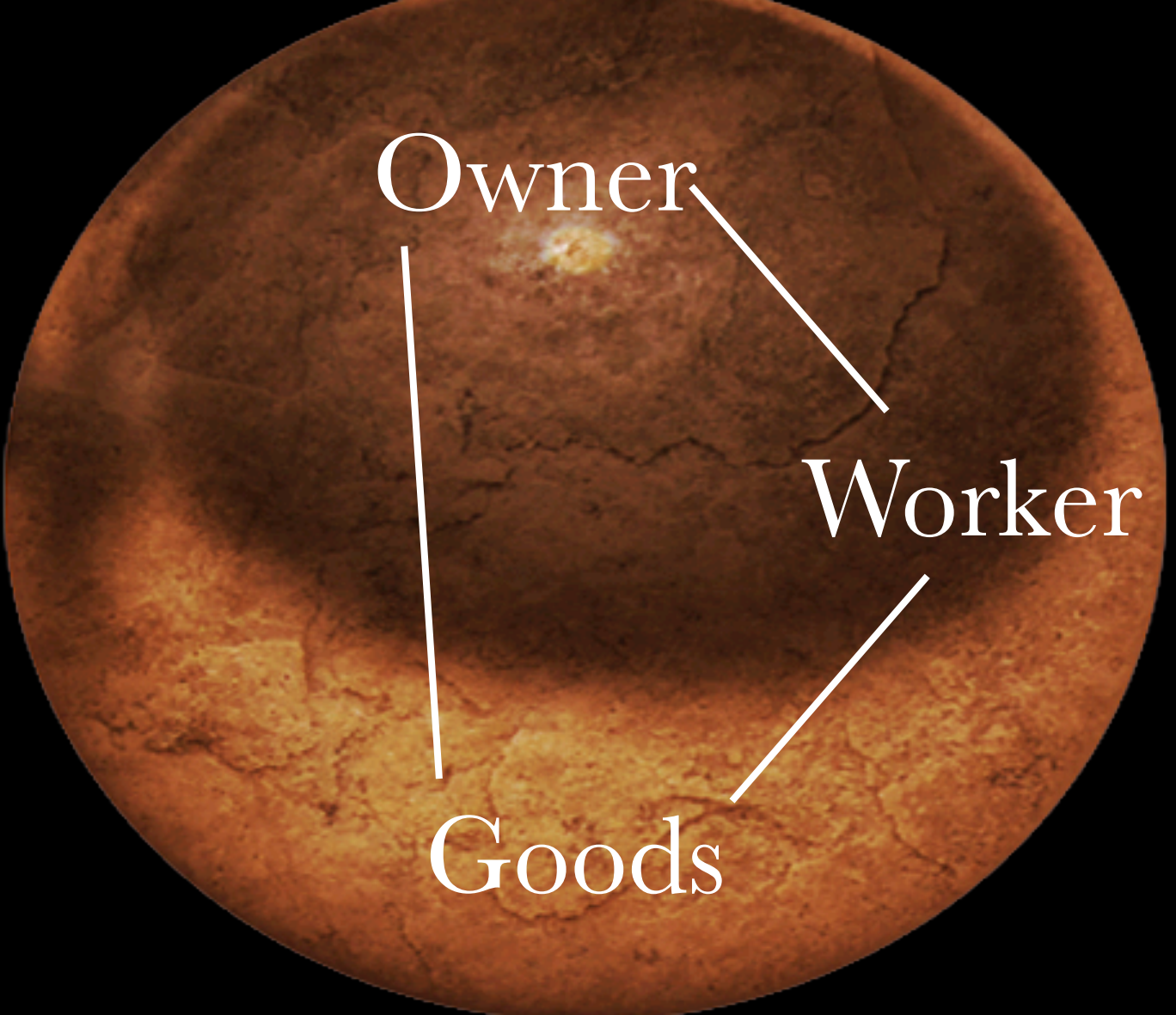
Family



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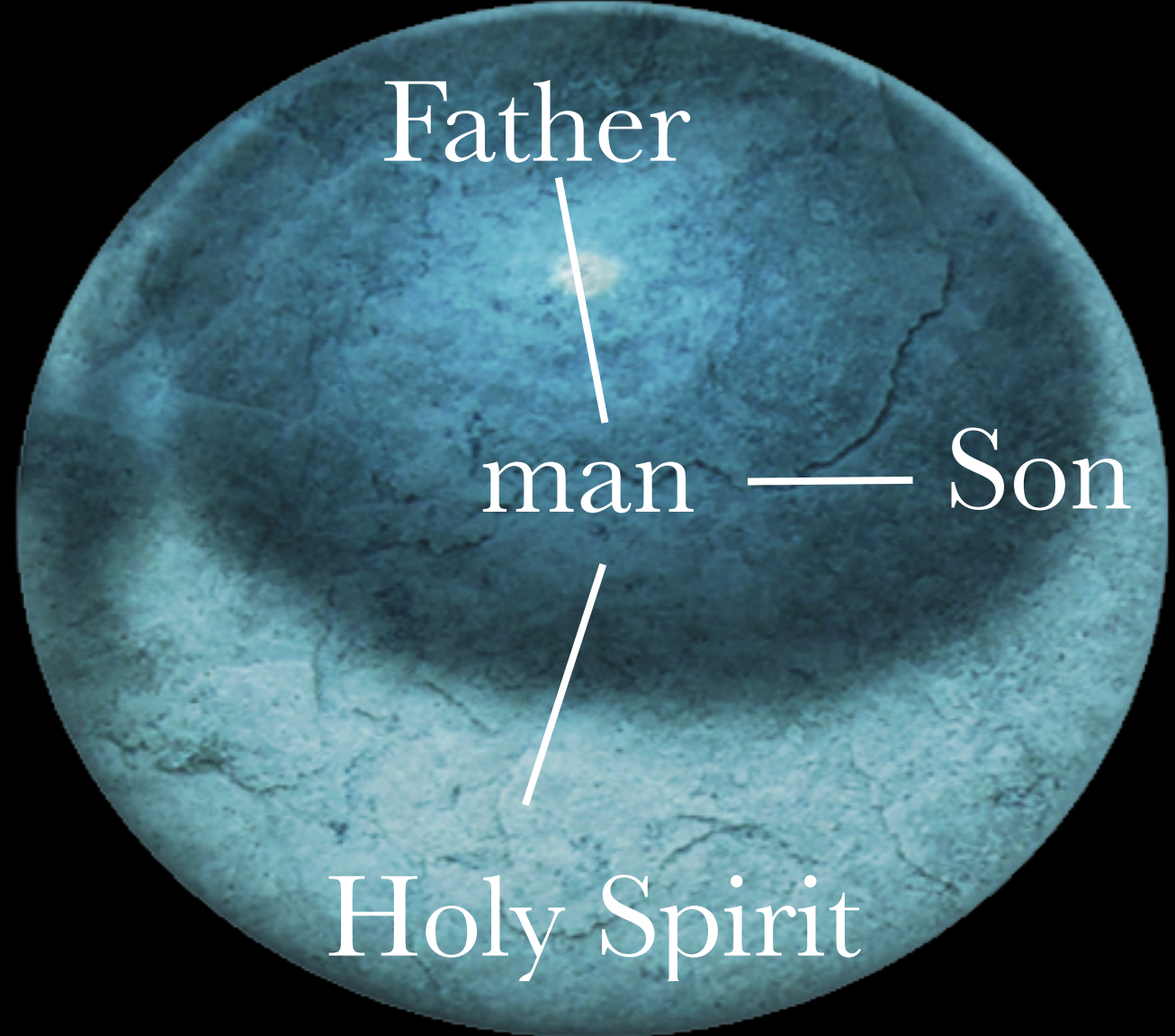
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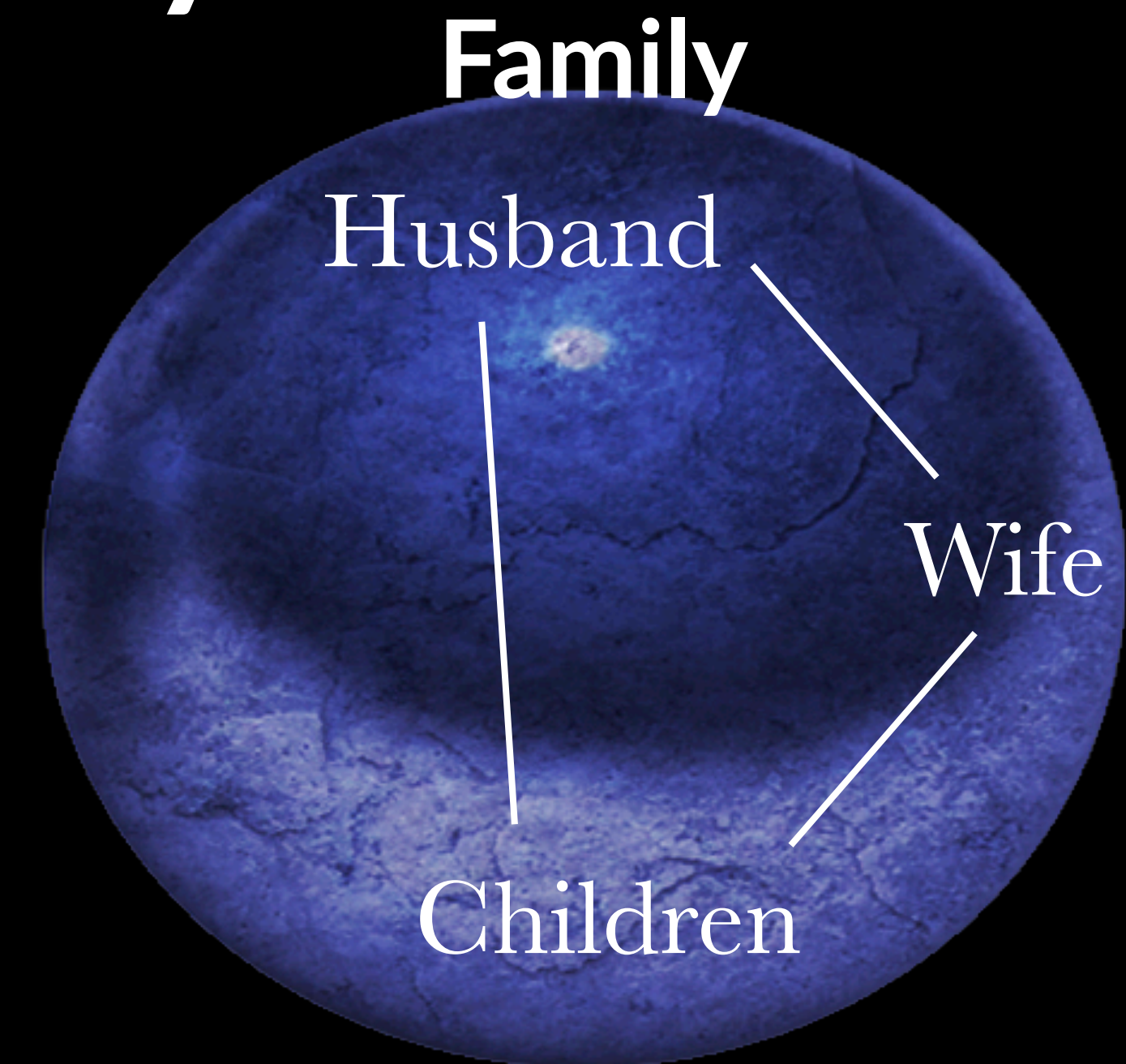
Community



God & Man



7. Attack Upon the Biblical Family



sexual orientation

gender pronouns

pornography

gay marriage

76 genders

two-spirit

gender identity

male toxicity

homosexuality

adultery

LGBTQIA2S+



lesbianism

polyamorous

ERA

cohabitation

#MeToo

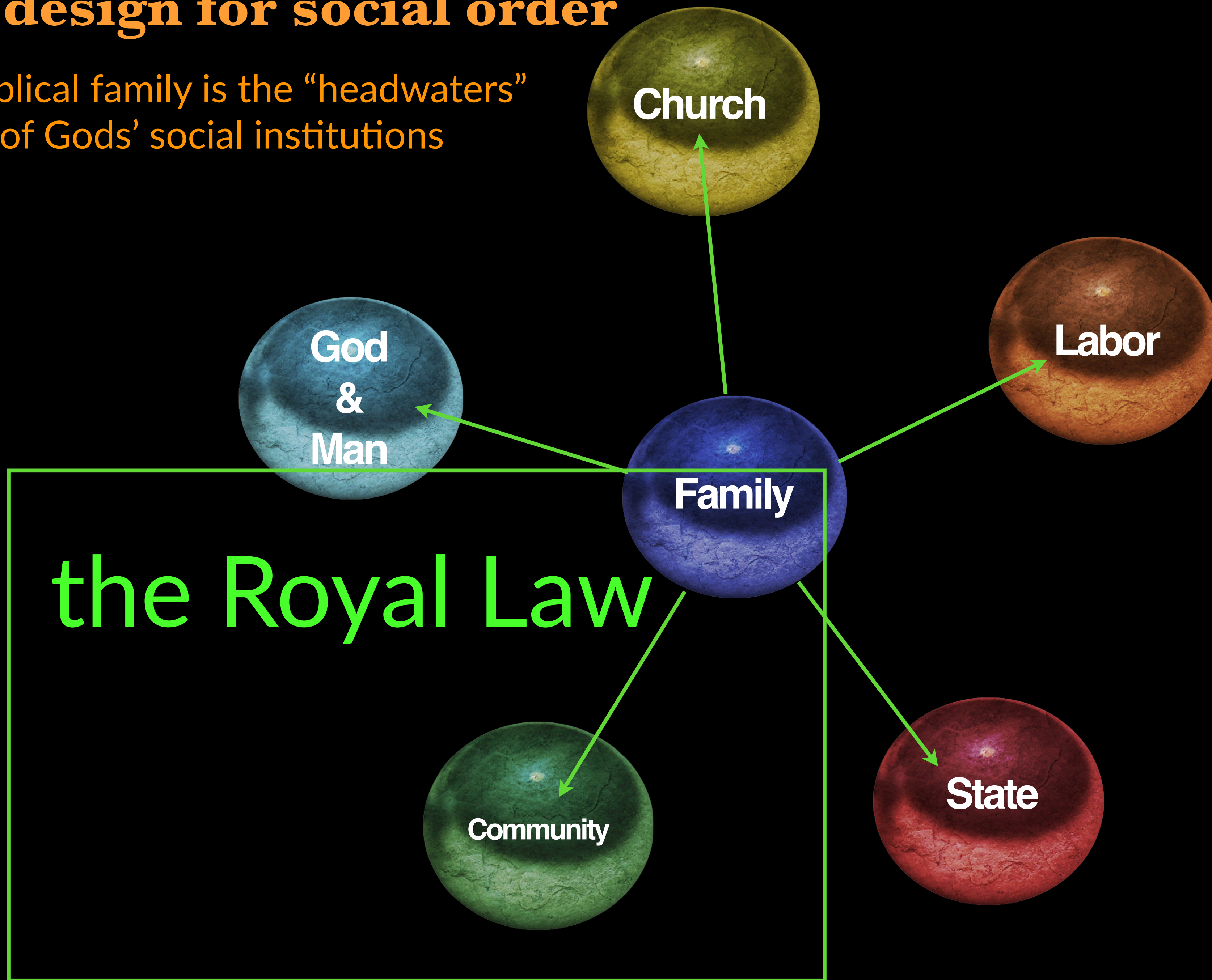
pansexuality

radical feminism

transgenderism

God's design for social order

the Biblical family is the "headwaters" for all of Gods' social institutions



the Royal Law

...fulfill **the Royal Law** according to the scripture,

...**love your neighbor** as yourself. -James 2:8

For the **whole law** is **fulfilled in one word**,

...**love your neighbor** as yourself. -Galatians 5:14

For the commandments, "You shall not commit adultery, you shall not murder, you shall not steal, you shall not covet," and **any other** commandment, are **summed up in this one word**:

...**love your neighbor** as yourself. -Romans 13:9

love your neighbor

Definitions are critical!

Love your neighbor

what is “love”?

Definitions are important!

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Agape/Chesed:

the steadfast, sacrificial zeal that
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Love your neighbor

what is “love”? what is “grace”?

Agape/Chesed:

the steadfast, sacrificial zeal that
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an enemy.

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Love your **neighbor**

the steadfast, sacrificial zeal that
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your **neighbor**

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Love your **neighbor**

what is “**neighbor**”?

neighbor? - ‘plosion’ -one who lives near

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your **neighbor**

Love your **neighbor**

the steadfast, sacrificial zeal that
seeks the **true good** of
one who lives near

neighbor: 'plosion'

"one who lives **near**"

Why do we want this to mean
one who lives **far**?



Love your neighbor:

“a steadfast, sacrificial zeal that seeks the **true good** of the one who lives near you”

Isn't this just a **general** command?

Isn't this more **philosophical** than **literal**?



C. S. Lewis

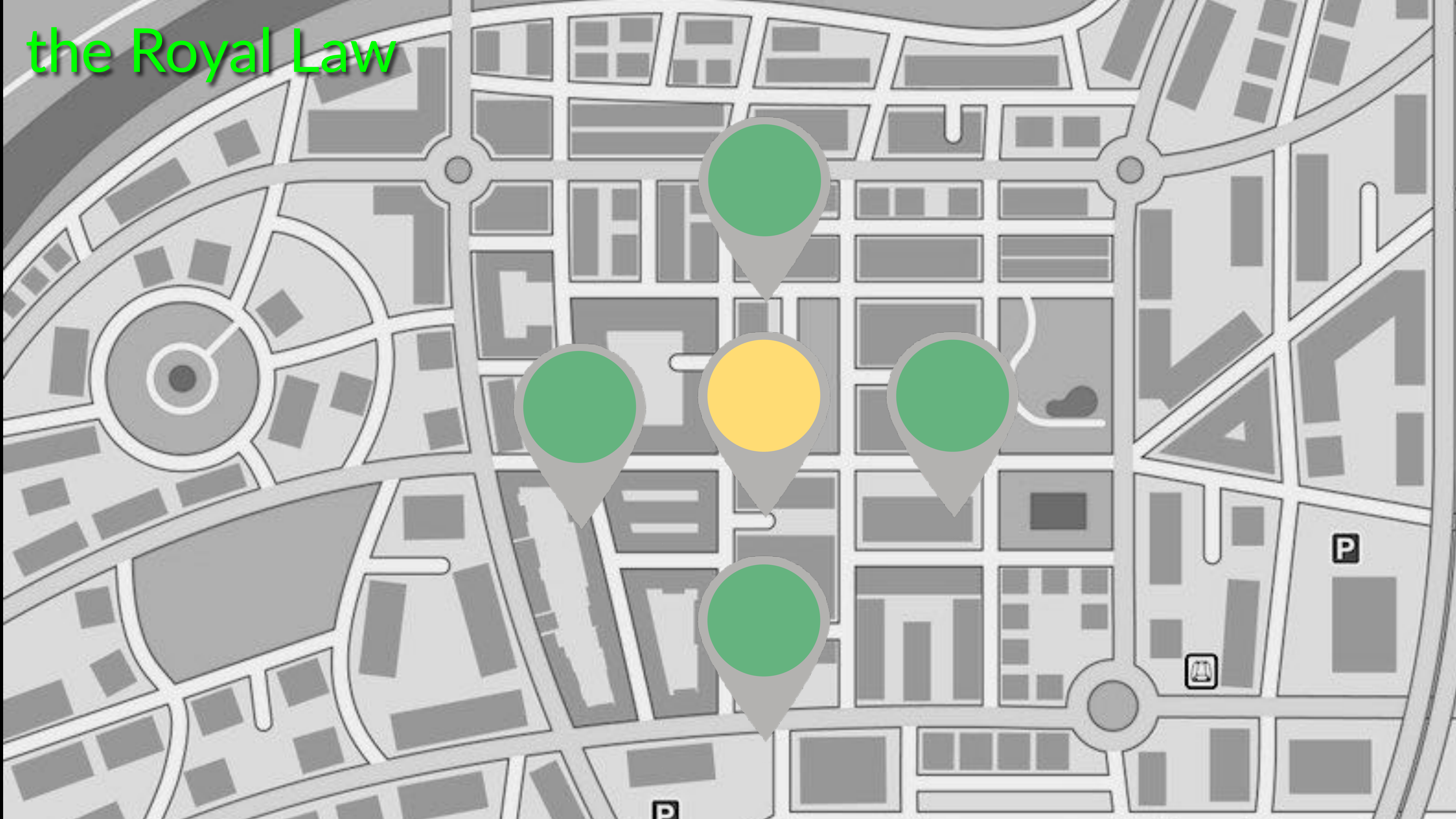
“It is easier to be enthusiastic about Humanity with a capital ‘H’ than it is to love individual men and women, especially those who are uninteresting, exasperating, depraved, or otherwise unattractive. Loving everybody in general may be an excuse for loving nobody in particular.”

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A renewed perspective... a **family** perspective

A renewed vision... a **family** vision

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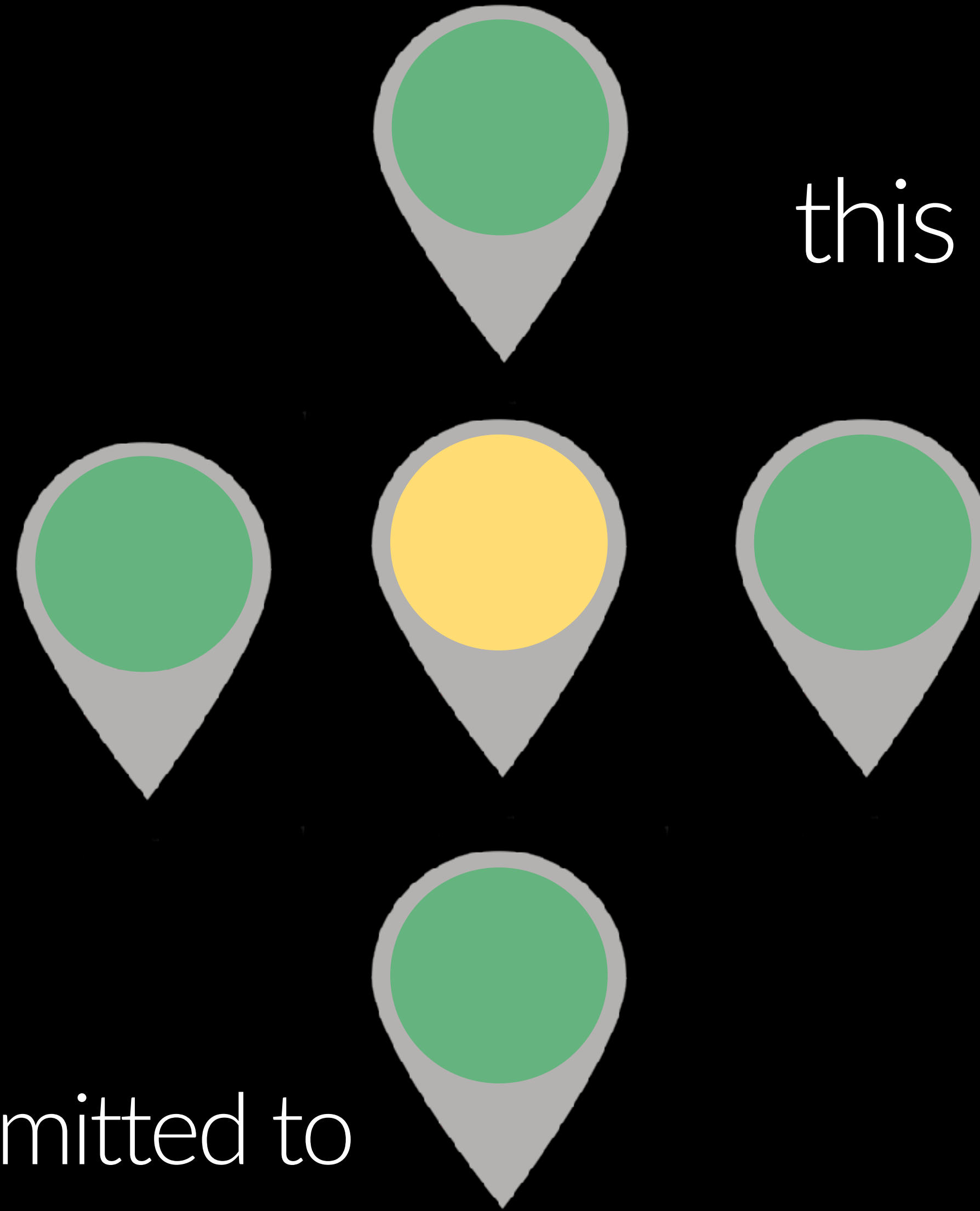
the primary work of the Kingdom has been
entrusted to the common, every-day Christian family

this is the biblical way forward in our times

It's brilliant!

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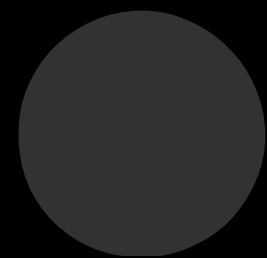
this is ground zero



Christian families committed to
the Shalom of their neighbors

Engaging with grace and
wisdom and **Truth**

What does this look like







What if your family had lived
next door to Dr. Rosaria
Champagne?

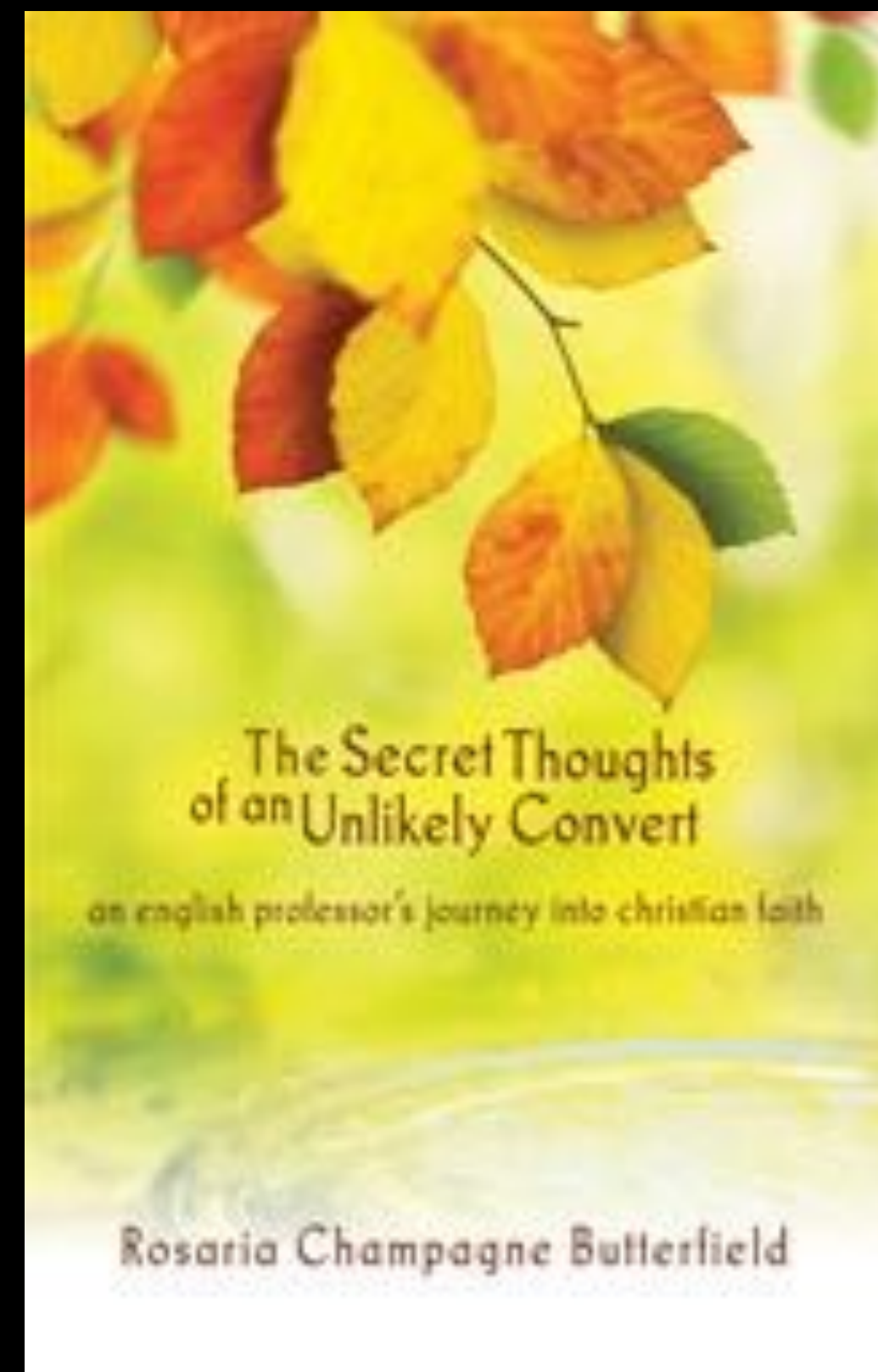
Do you really believe God
can do this?

the Vision ...the biblical way forward

We will build real **relationships**
with those providentially in our Jerusalem,
through **prayer** and action,
with **grace** and **wisdom** and **truth**,
being **attractively winsome**,
tearing down walls, building up trust,
doing the **work of the Kingdom**.

Truth and **true agape love**
drive us into real relationships

speaking truth is most effective when
done in the context of a **significant**
relationship



“Ken was wise to know that he could only **speak truth** as deep as our **relationship** could stand.”

*"High on my list of the most important books on evangelism
published so far in the twenty-first century."*

LEONARD SWEET

DON EVERTS
AND DOUG SCHAUPP

I ONCE WAS LOST



What Postmodern Sceptics Taught Us
About Their Path to Jesus



“I Once Was Lost”

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DEALING WITH OUTSIDERS

“Conduct yourselves with **wisdom** toward outsiders, making the most of the opportunity. Let your speech always be with grace, seasoned as it were, with salt, so that you may **know how you should respond to each person.**”

Colossians 4:5-6



how healthy is the body of Christ?

Polycarp

69-156 AD

“Kill the church leader and his church will die!”

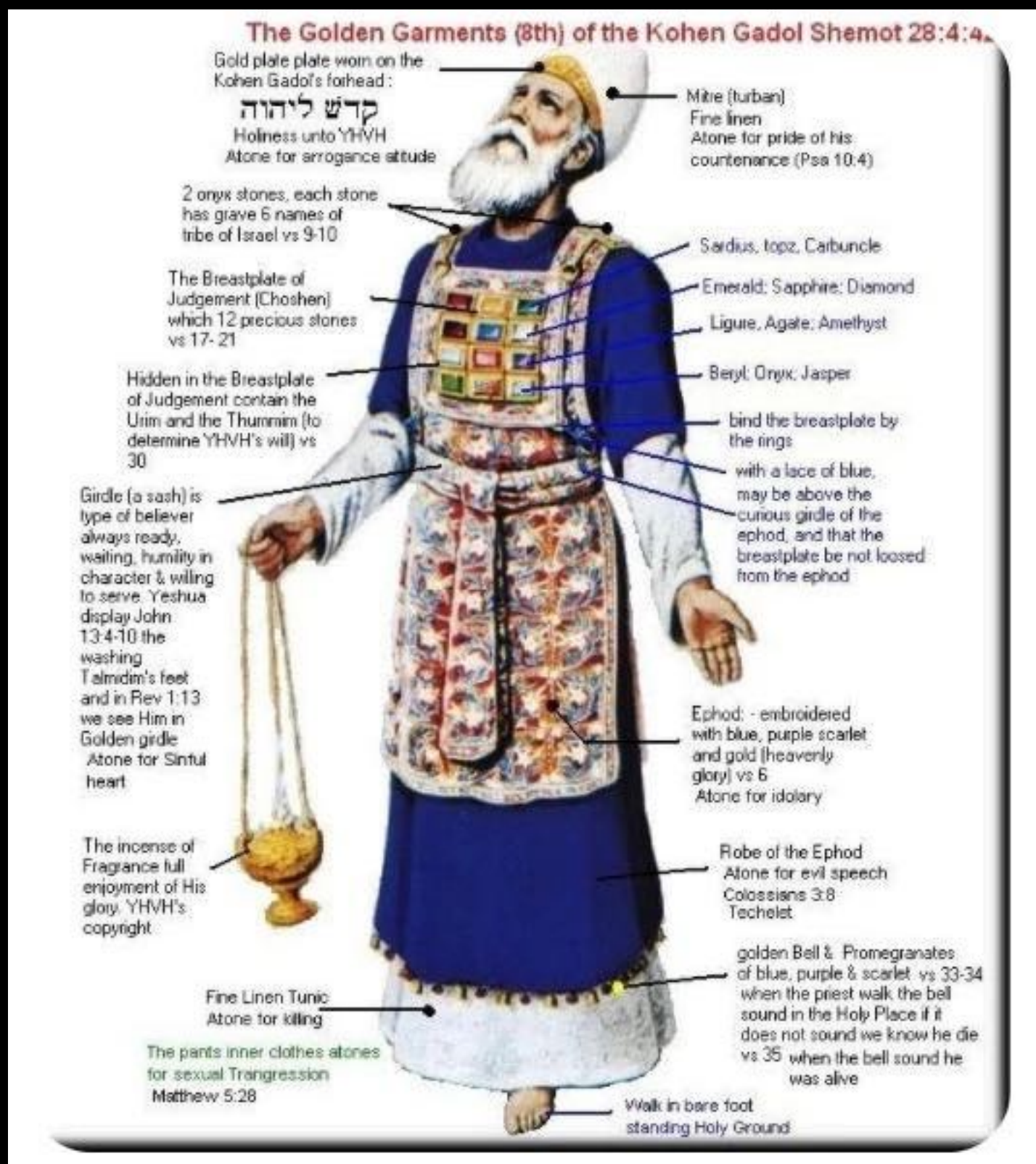
“Fourscore and six years have I served him, and he has never done me injury; how then can I now blaspheme my King and savior?”

“the vision of priesthood lost”

“you are a Royal Priesthood”

But you are a **chosen people**, a **royal priesthood**, a holy nation, God’s special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his marvellous light.

1 Peter 2:9



the Royal Law would lead us to assume...

your neighbor's names

are engraved on your ephod

do not think lightly of...

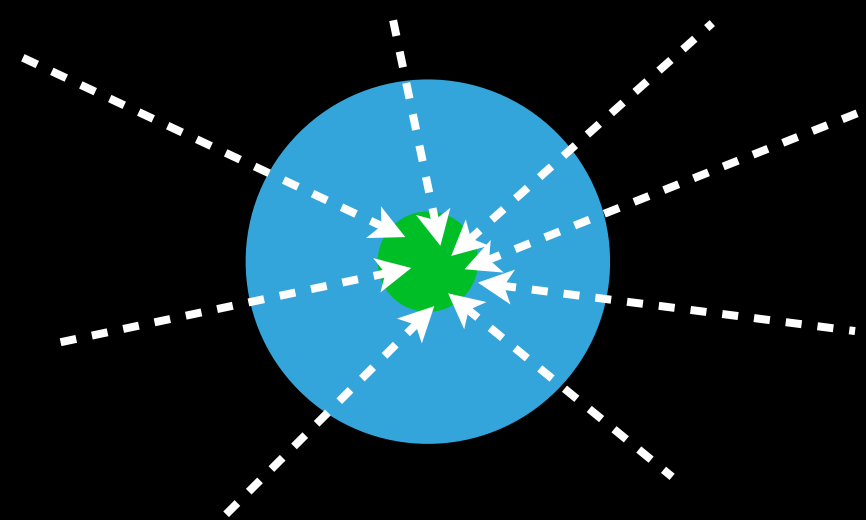
your fragrance

But thanks be to God, who always leads us in triumph in Christ, and manifests through us the sweet aroma of the knowledge of Him in every place. 2 Corinthians 2:14

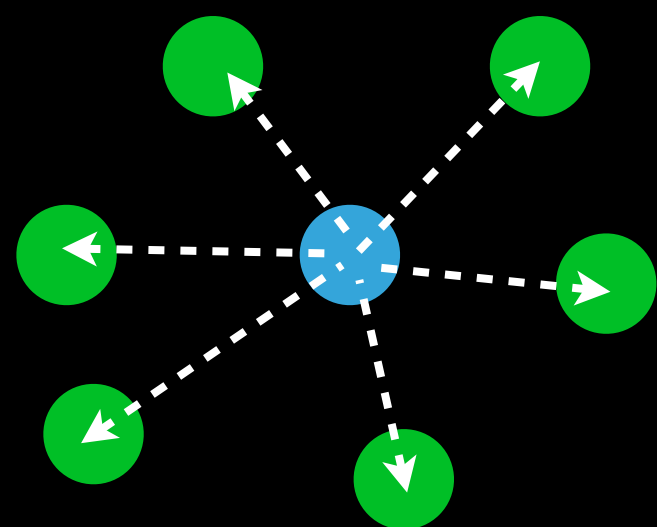
your righteous leaven

if I were a pastor...

is the church to
be this?



or this?



a pastor/neighbor

Florida, U.S.

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