

ROMANS

DOCTRINE & LIFE

Principle (last week)

God urges us to genuinely offer up our whole lives to Him; embracing a radically different lifestyle that is increasingly transformed through thinking that is shaped by His wisdom and guidance.

Romans 12:3-8

³ For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. ⁴ For as in one body we have many members, and the members do not all have the same function, ⁵ so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another.

Romans 12:3-8

⁶ Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, in proportion to our faith; ⁷ if service, in our serving; the one who teaches, in his teaching; ⁸ the one who exhorts, in his exhortation; the one who contributes, in generosity; the one who leads, with zeal; the one who does acts of mercy, with cheerfulness.

Romans 12:3-8

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Romans 12:1-2

¹ I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. ² Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

Romans 12:3-5

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by the grace given to me

1 Corinthians 12:4

⁴ Now there are varieties of gifts [graces], but the same Spirit;

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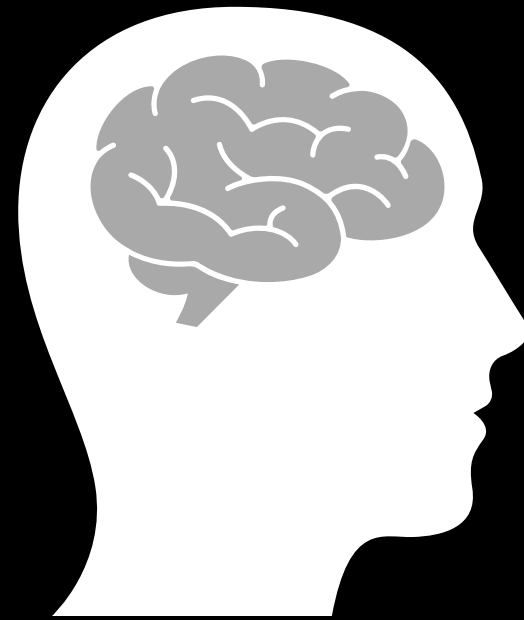


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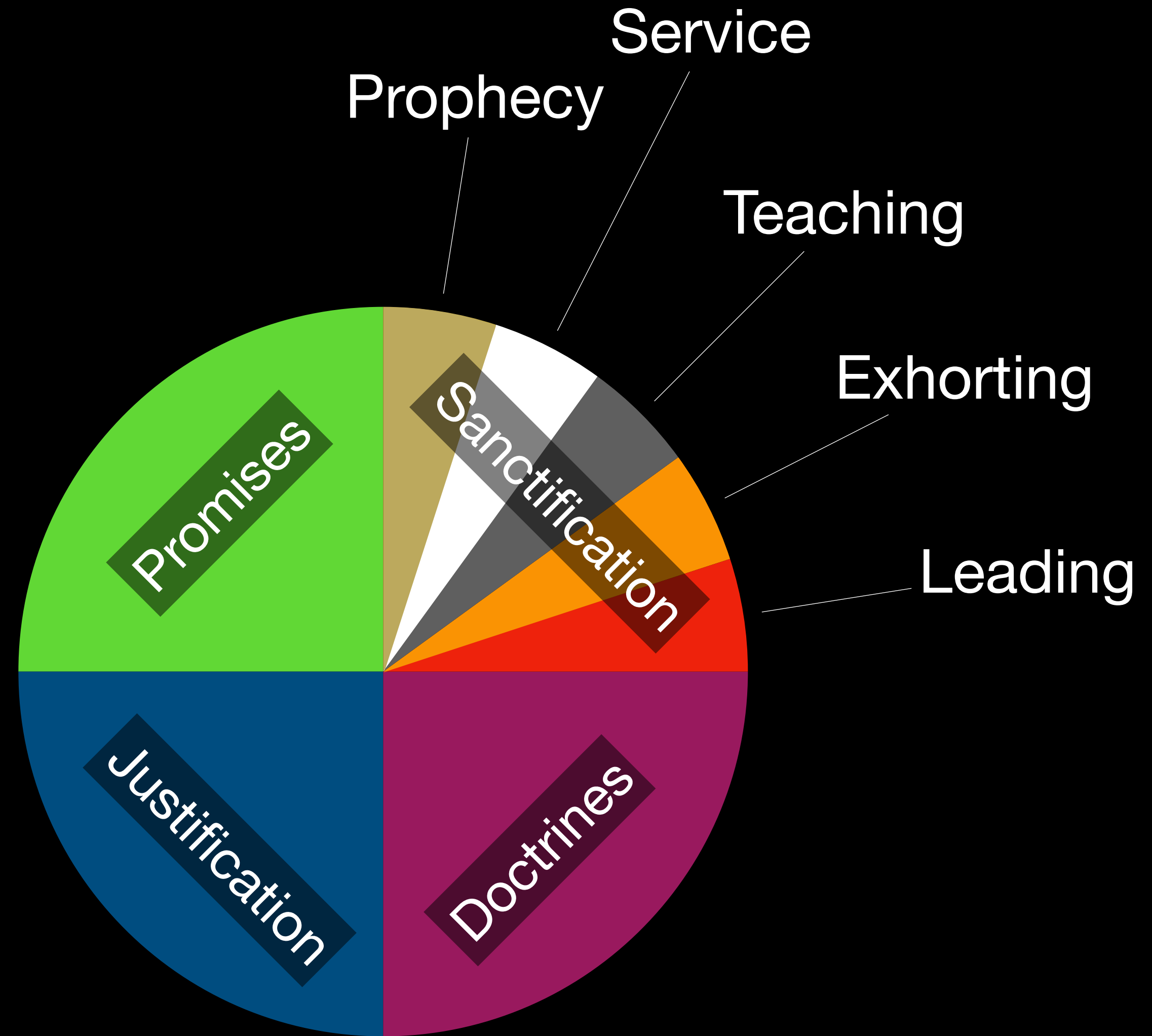
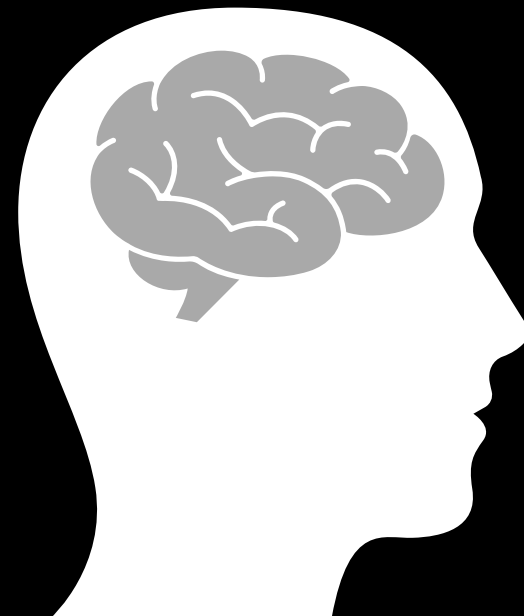


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The Christian Faith

Romans 12:3-5

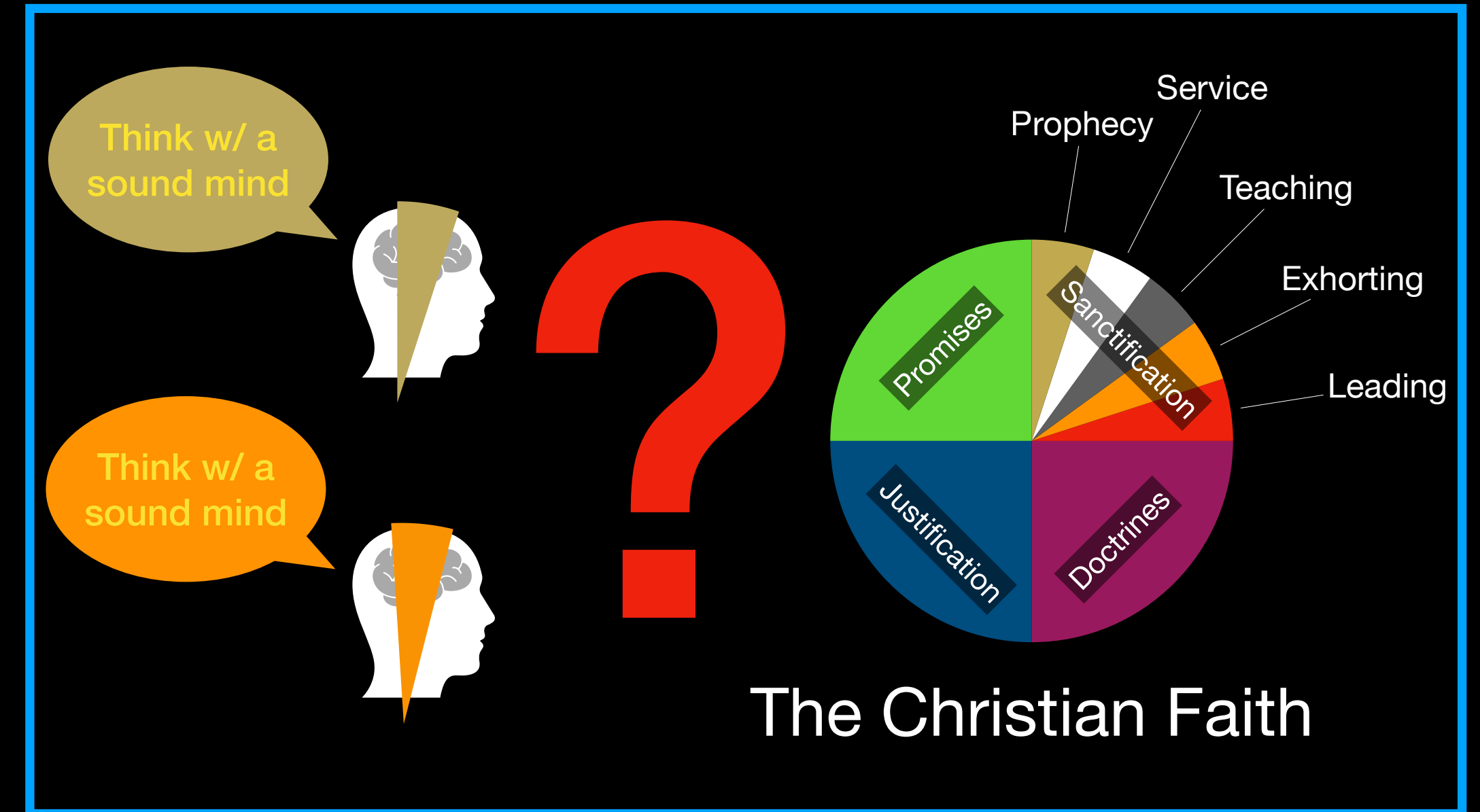
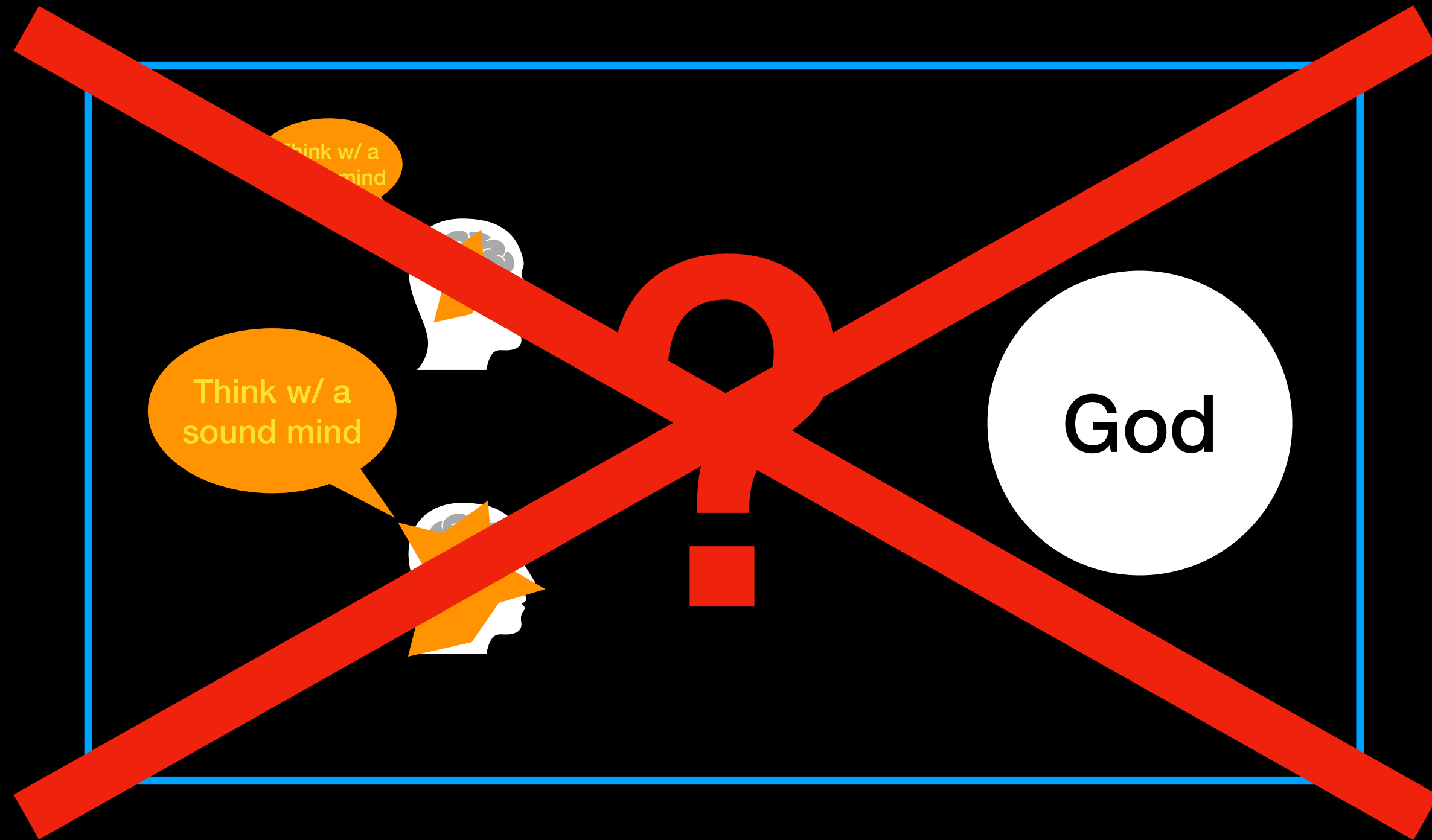
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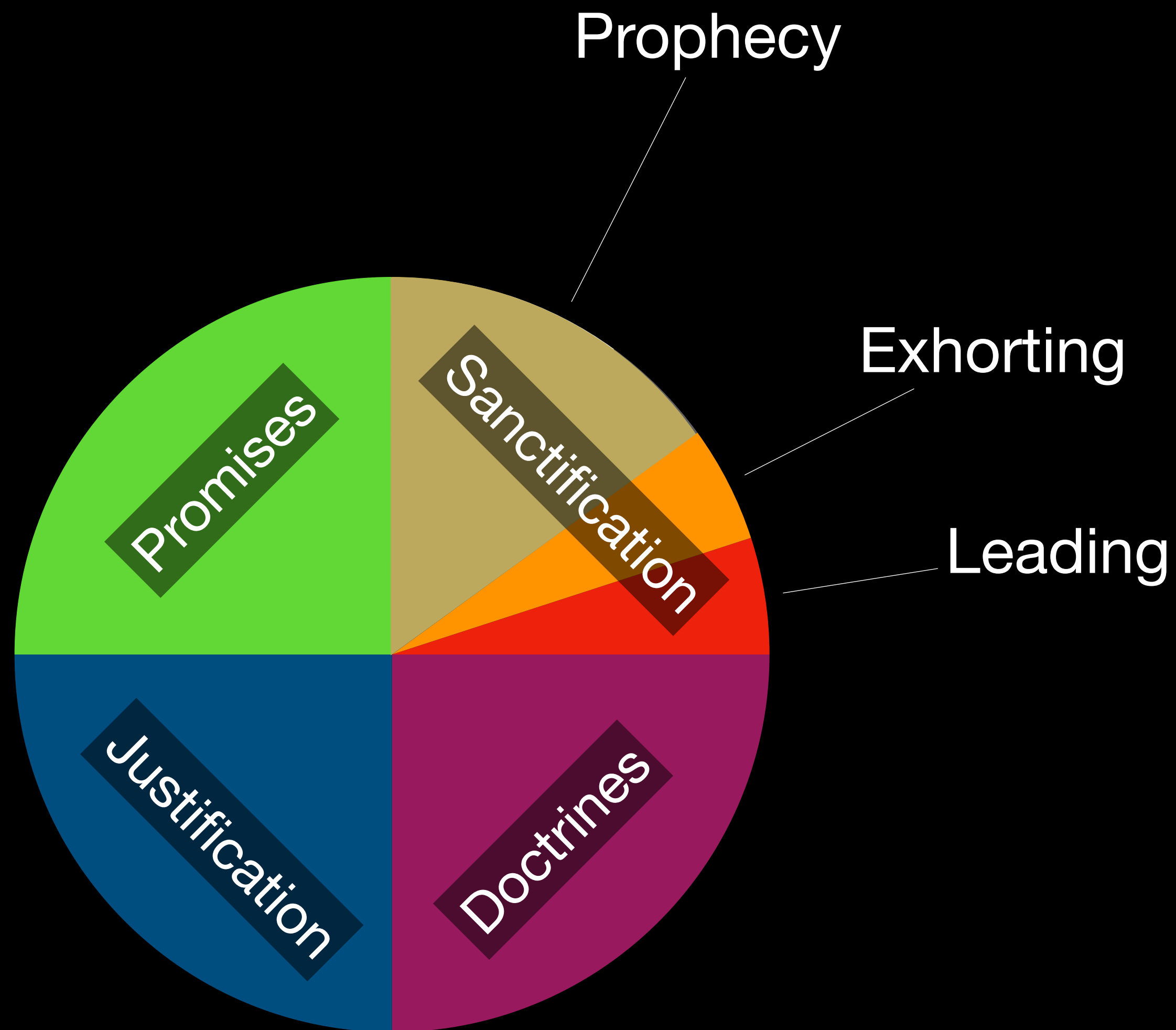
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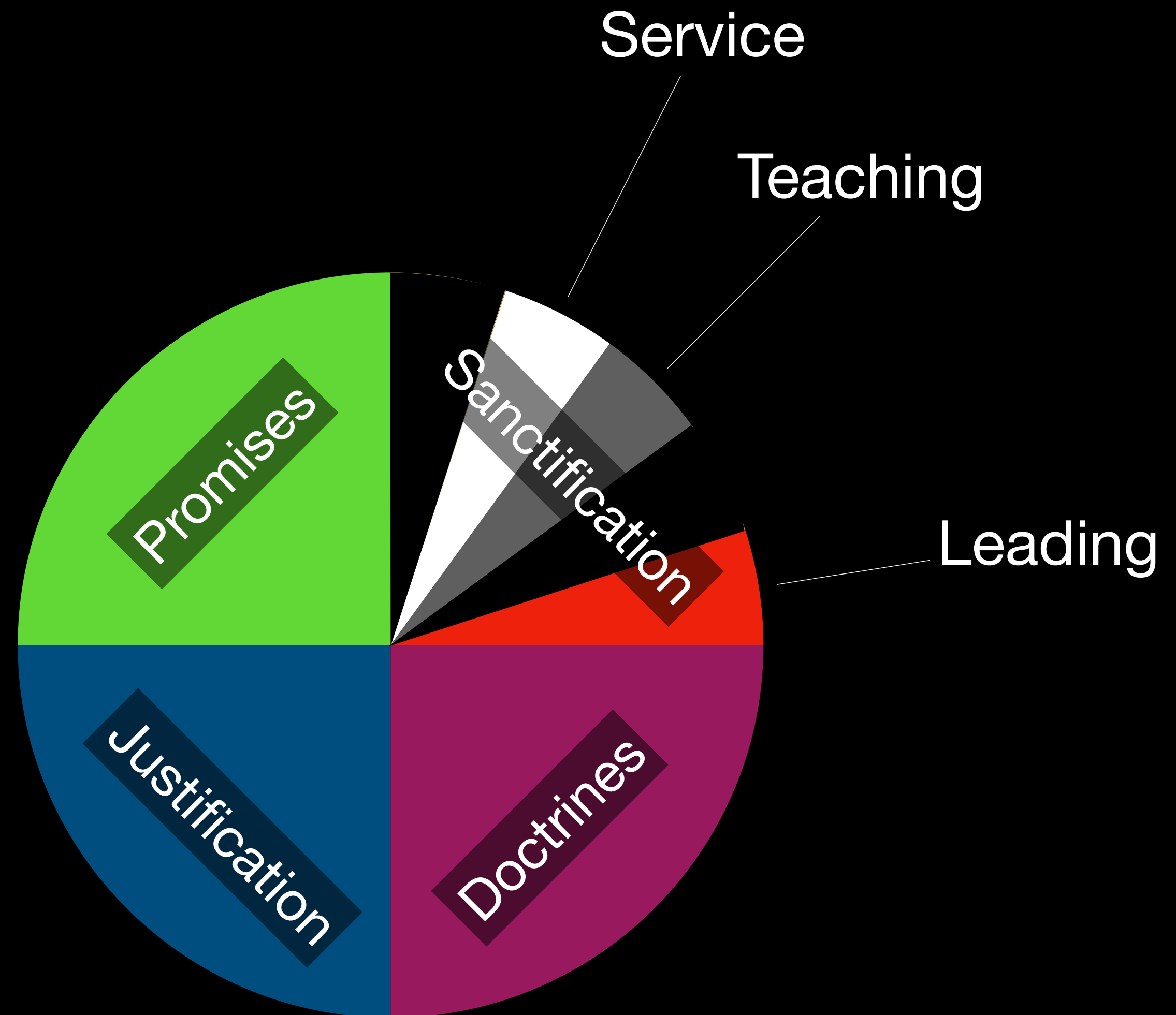
1 Corinthians 12:7-11

⁷ To each is given the **manifestation of the Spirit** for the common good. ⁸ For to one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit... ¹¹ All these are empowered by one and the same Spirit, who **apportions to each one individually** as he wills.





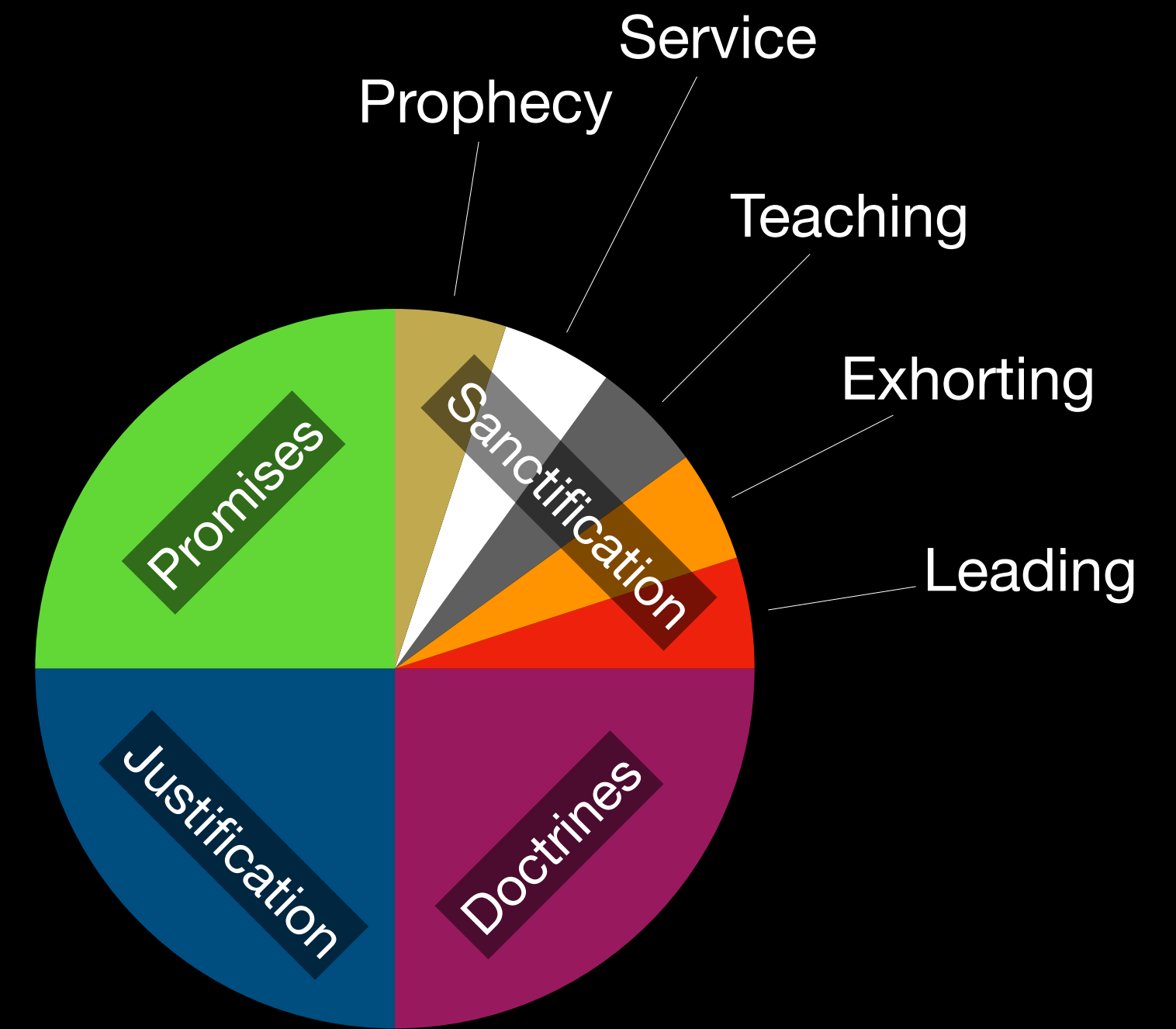
Distorted View



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Summary #1

Believers are to think accurately about themselves with respect to their spiritual gift(s) within the Body of Christ to which they belong.



The Christian Faith

Romans 12:6-8

⁶ Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us,
let us use them: **4 IMPERATIVE**

Romans 12:4

For as in **one body** **1**
we have **many members**, **2**
and the members
do not all have the same function, **3** **4**

Romans 12:5

so **we, though many**, **2** **INDICATIVE**
are **one body in Christ**, **1**
and **individually members one of another**. **3**

Romans 12:6-8

⁶ Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us,
let us use them:

if prophecy, in proportion to our faith;

Titus 1:13

¹³ This testimony is true. Therefore rebuke them sharply, that they may be **sound in the faith**,

Romans 12:6-8

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Summary #2

Believers are all called to use the spiritual gift(s) they've been given to the fullest of their understanding and ability for the benefit of others in the Body of Christ.

Romans 12:3 (revisit)

³ For

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Principle

Believers are called to **THINK ACCURATELY ABOUT** and **FUNCTION FULLY IN** in the spiritual gifts they've been given for the benefit of others in the Body of Christ to which they belong.

Biblical Priorities?

SELF



Work



Family



Others

GOD



Family



Church



Work/Others

GOD



Church



Family

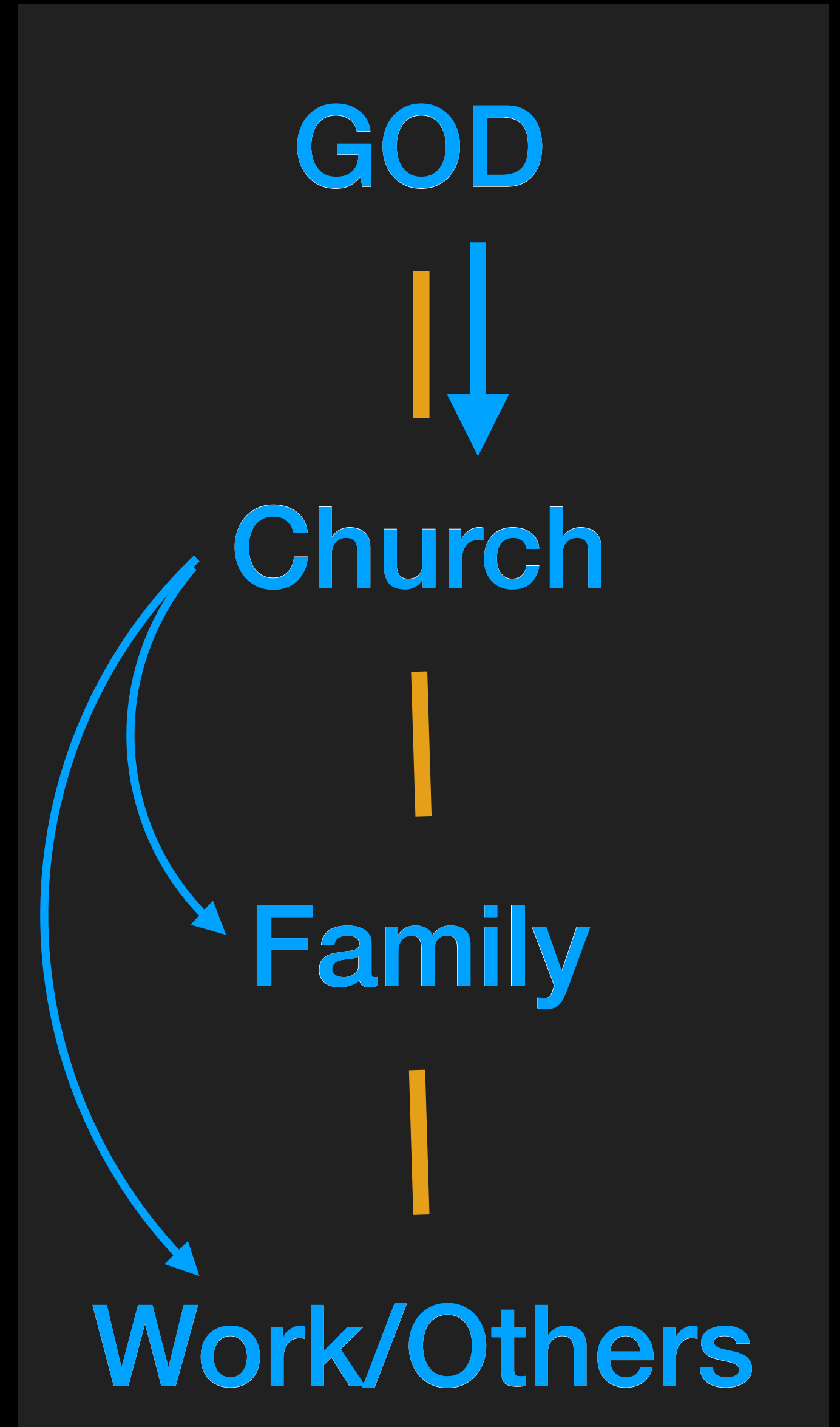


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Next Week

Romans 12:9-21