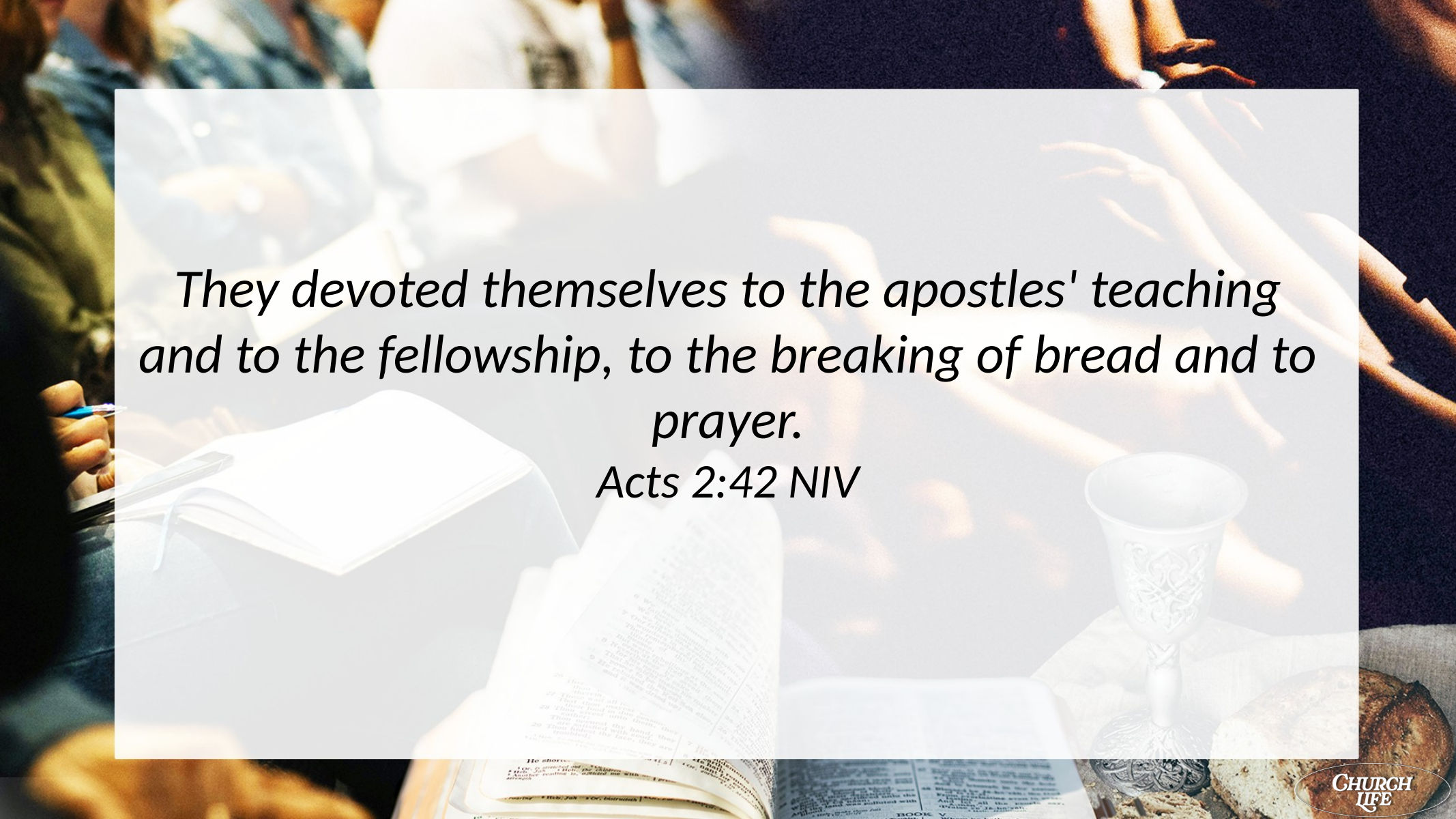

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Church Life Series Overview

The Word: Our Center

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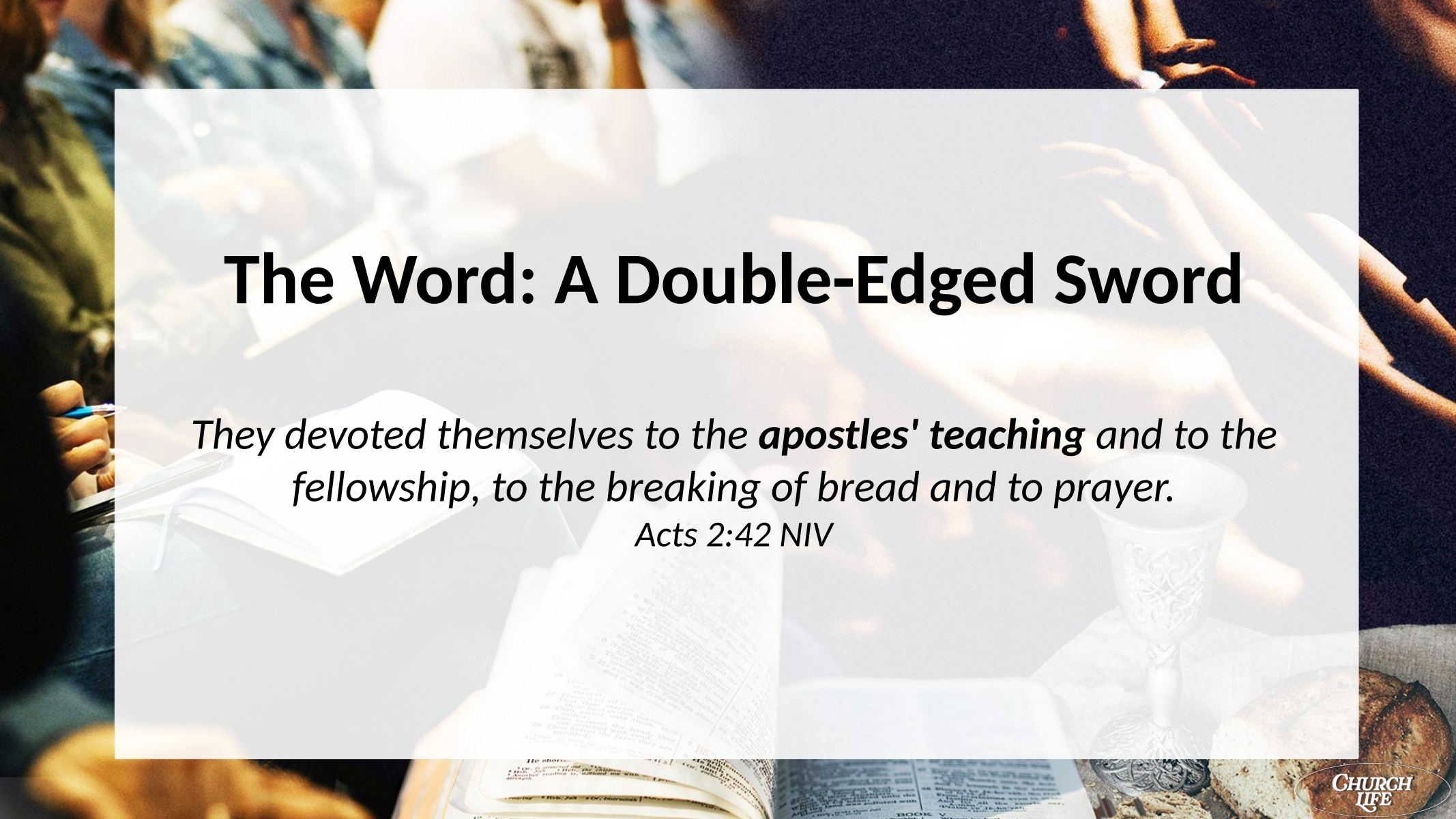
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The Word: A Double-Edged Sword

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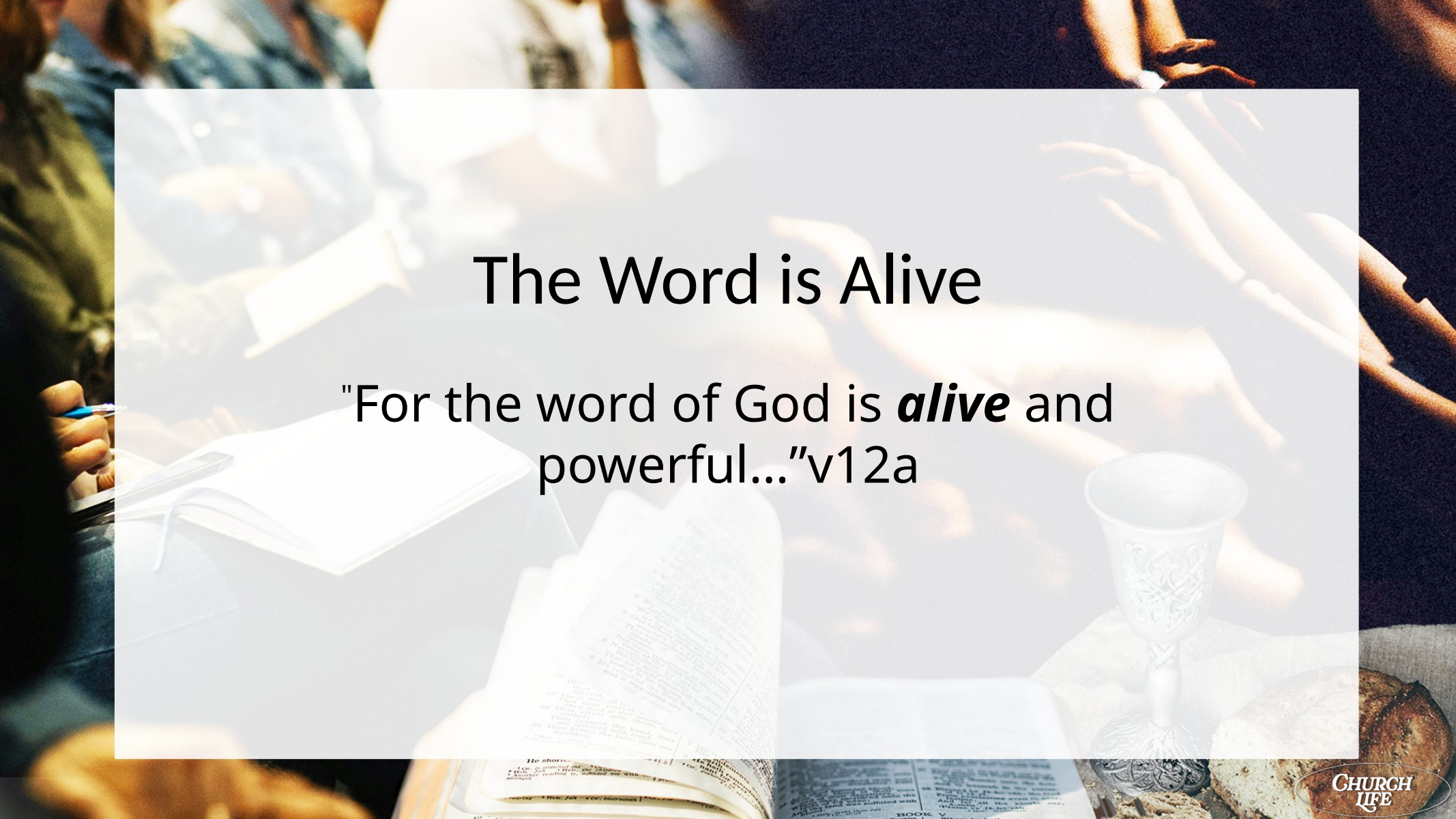
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soul and spirit, between joint and marrow. It exposes
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Hebrews 4:12–13 (NLT)

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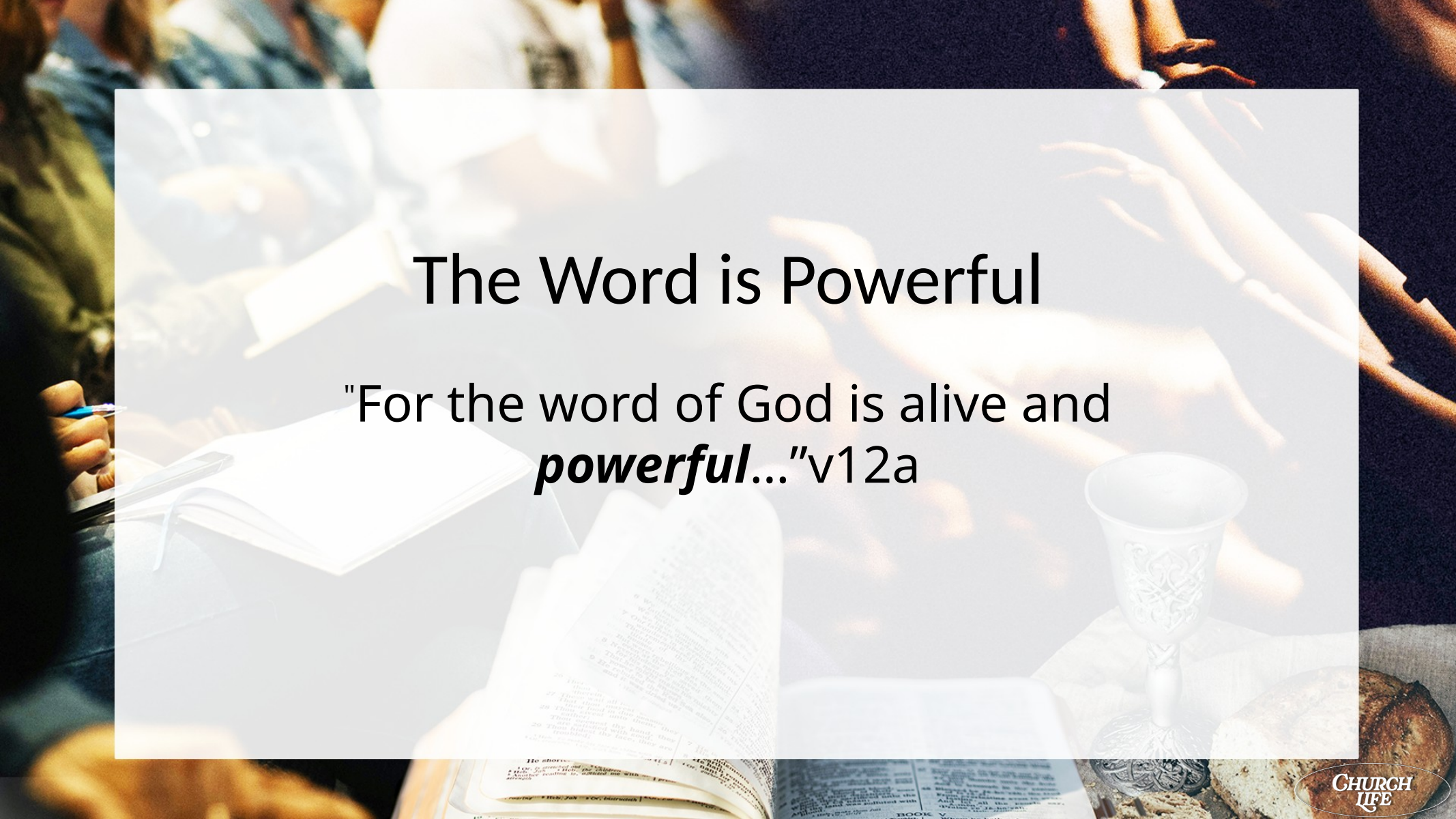
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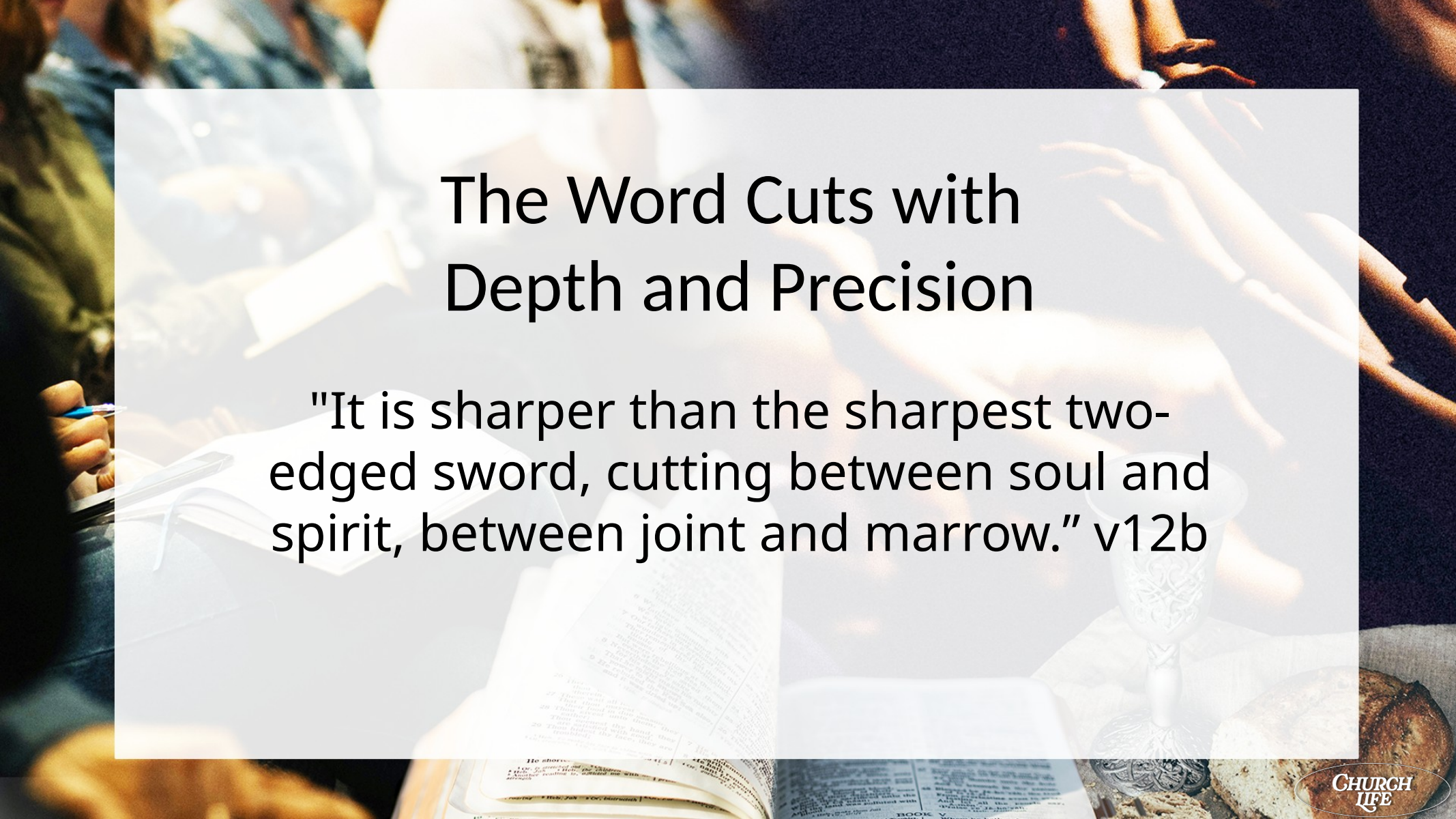
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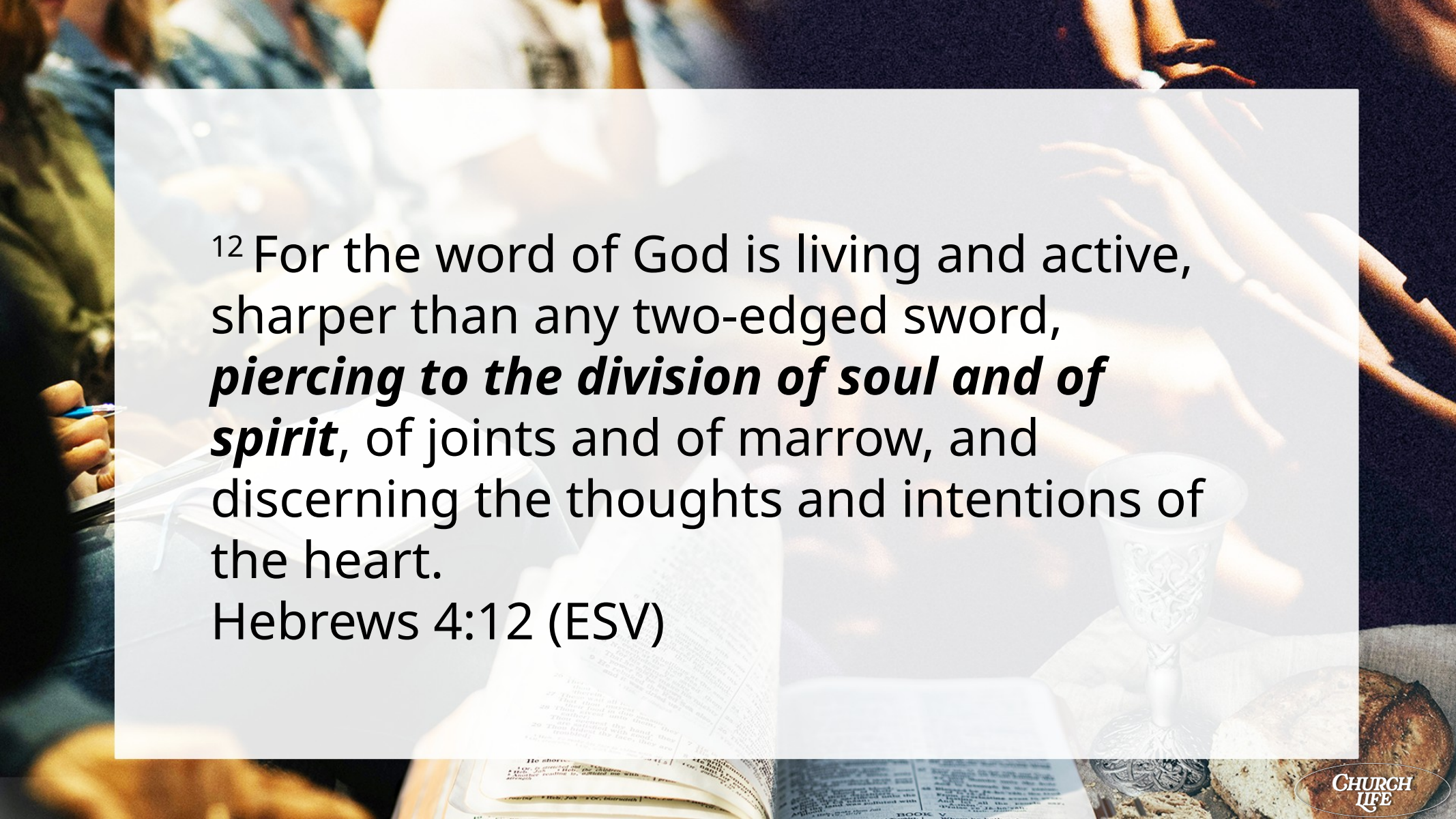
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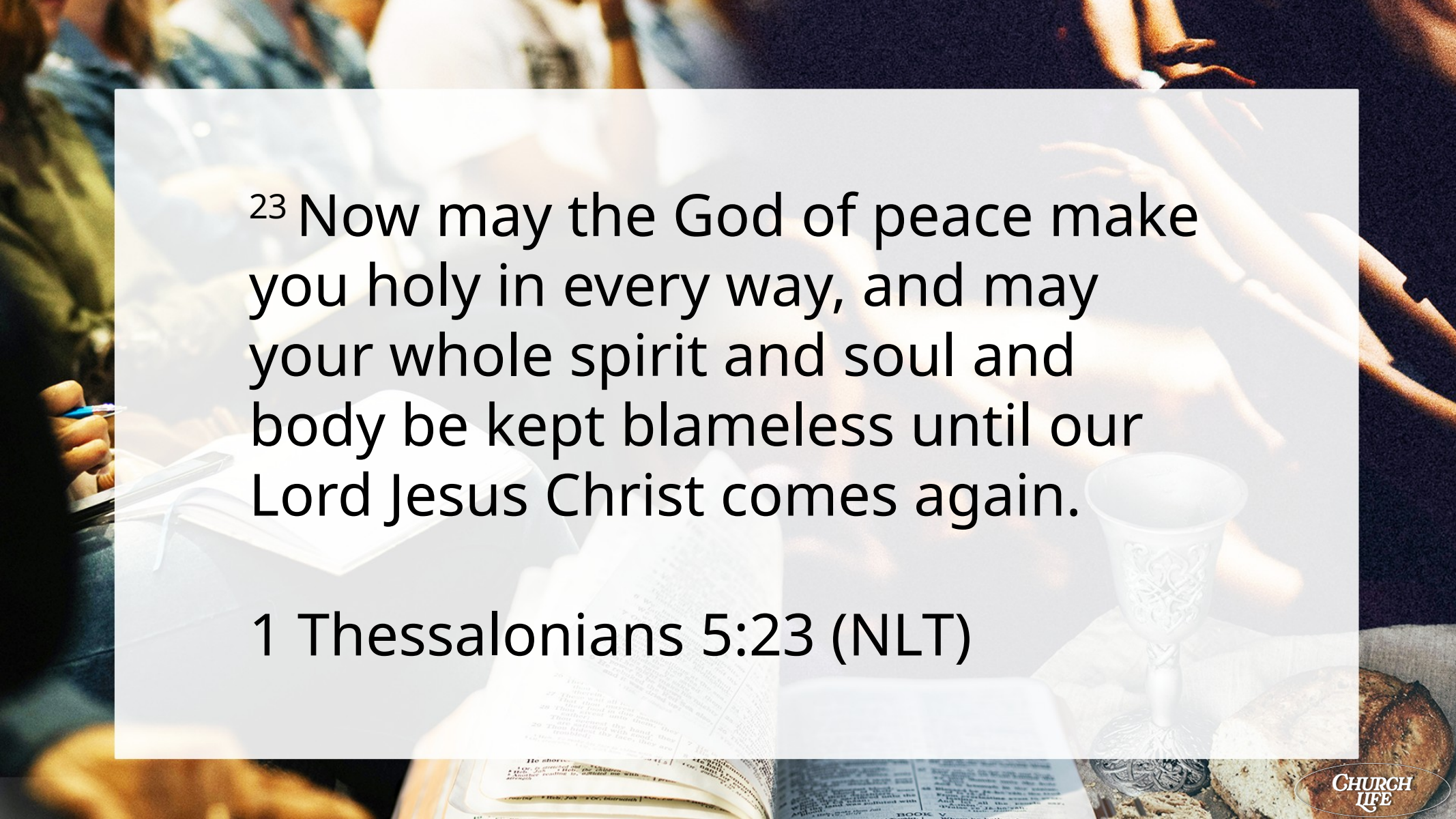


The Word Cuts with Depth and Precision

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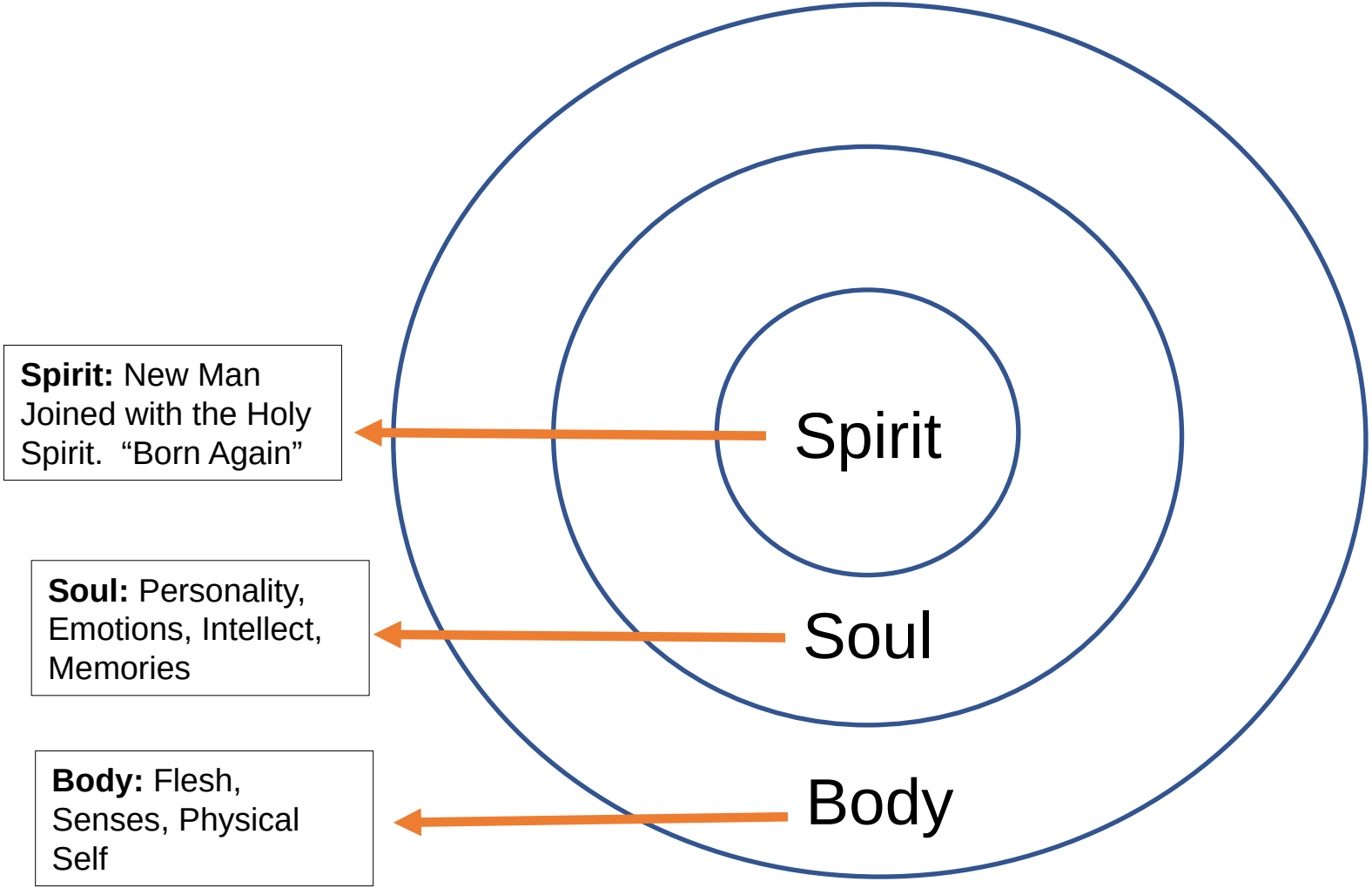
12 For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, ***piercing to the division of soul and of spirit***, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart.
Hebrews 4:12 (ESV)



[23] Now may the God of peace make you holy in every way, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless until our Lord Jesus Christ comes again.

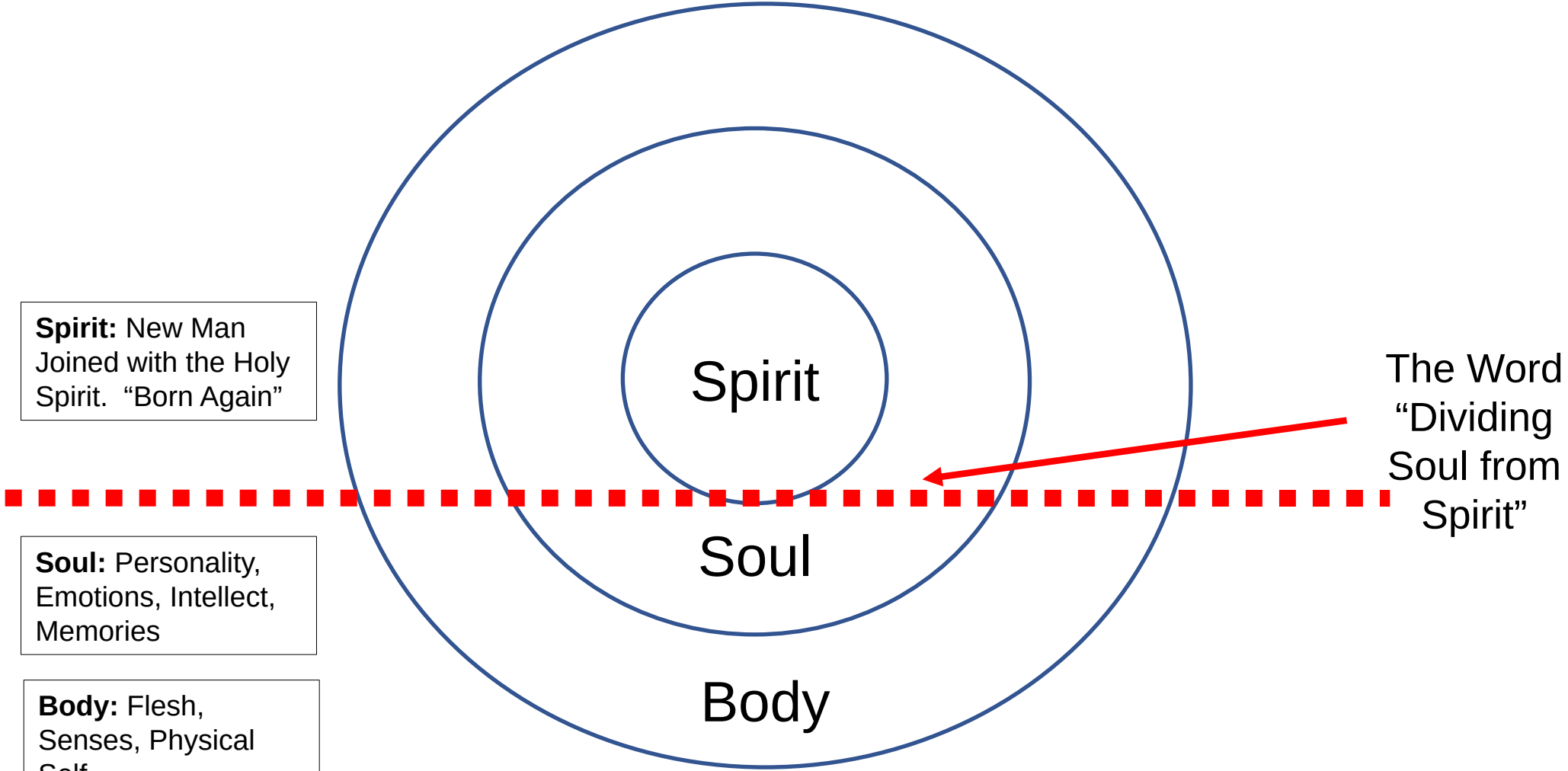
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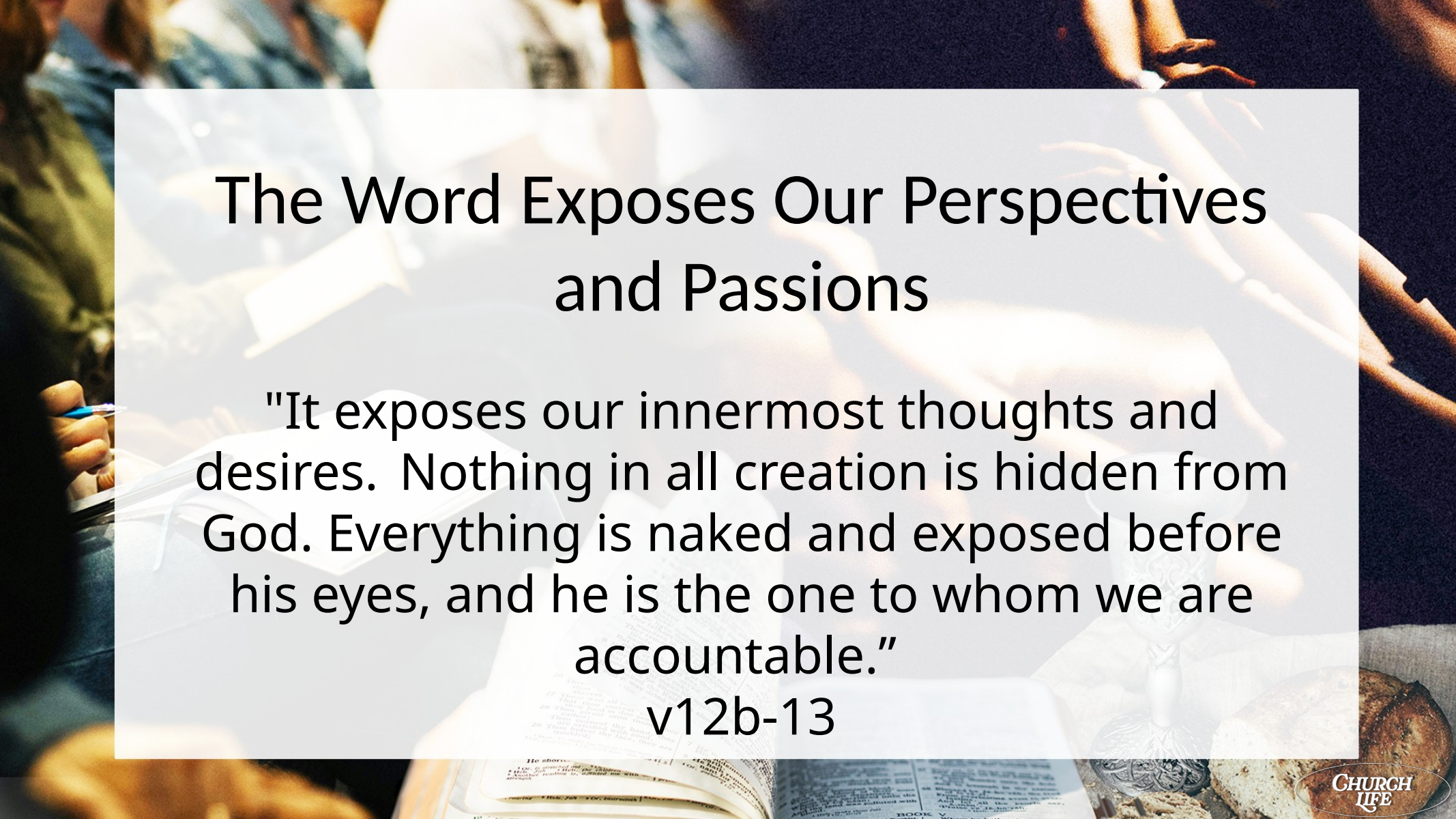
Spirit: New Man Joined with the Holy Spirit. "Born Again"

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Body: Flesh, Senses, Physical Self

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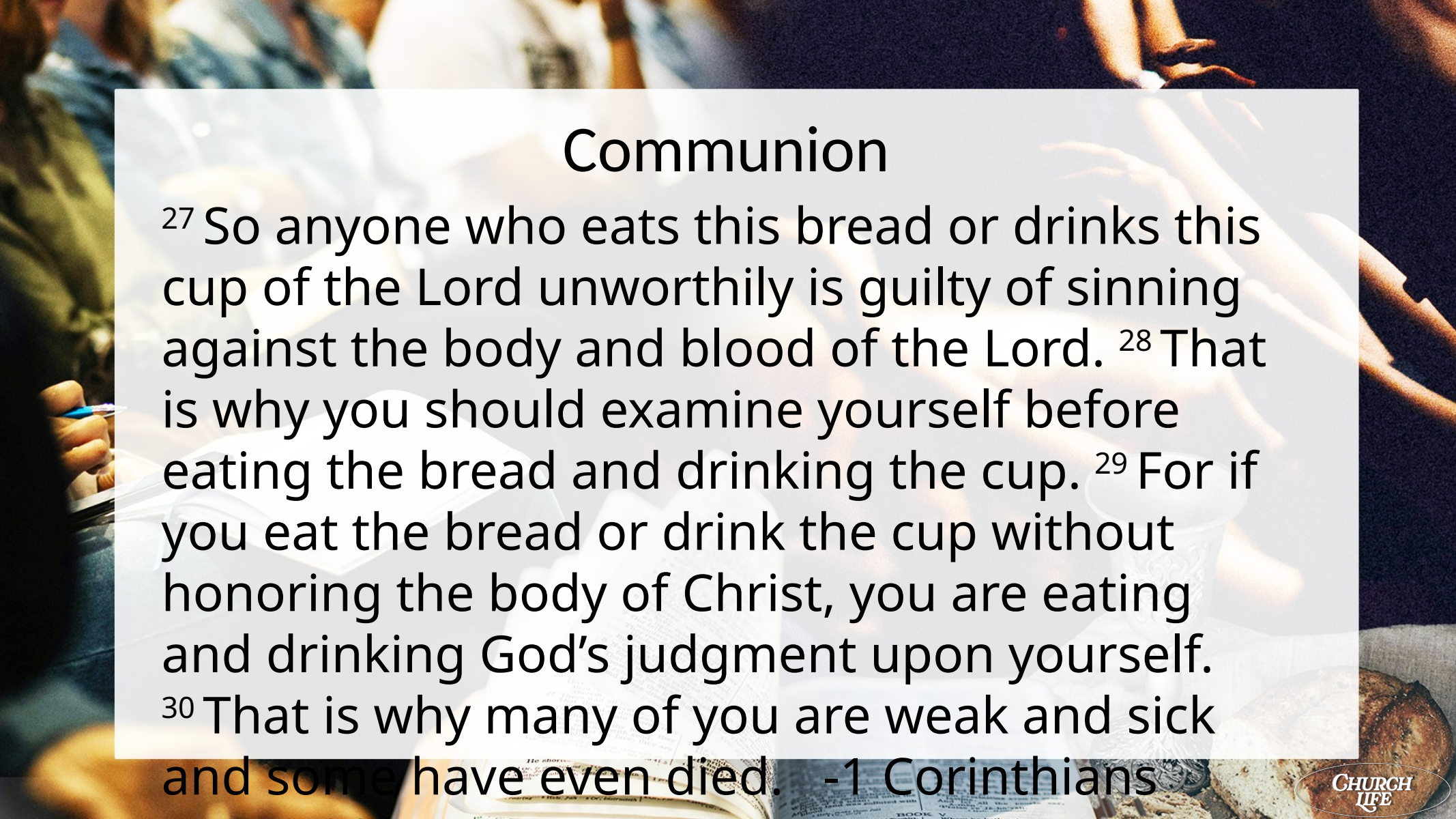


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Communion

27 So anyone who eats this bread or drinks this
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against the body and blood of the Lord. 28 That
is why you should examine yourself before
eating the bread and drinking the cup. 29 For if
you eat the bread or drink the cup without
honoring the body of Christ, you are eating
and drinking God's judgment upon yourself.
30 That is why many of you are weak and sick
and some have even died. -1 Corinthians

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