HOW MANY SHOES DOES GOD HAVE?



STORYLINE SHOES





The action of understanding, being aware of, being sensitive to, and vicariously experiencing the feelings, thoughts, and realities of another.

EMPATHY



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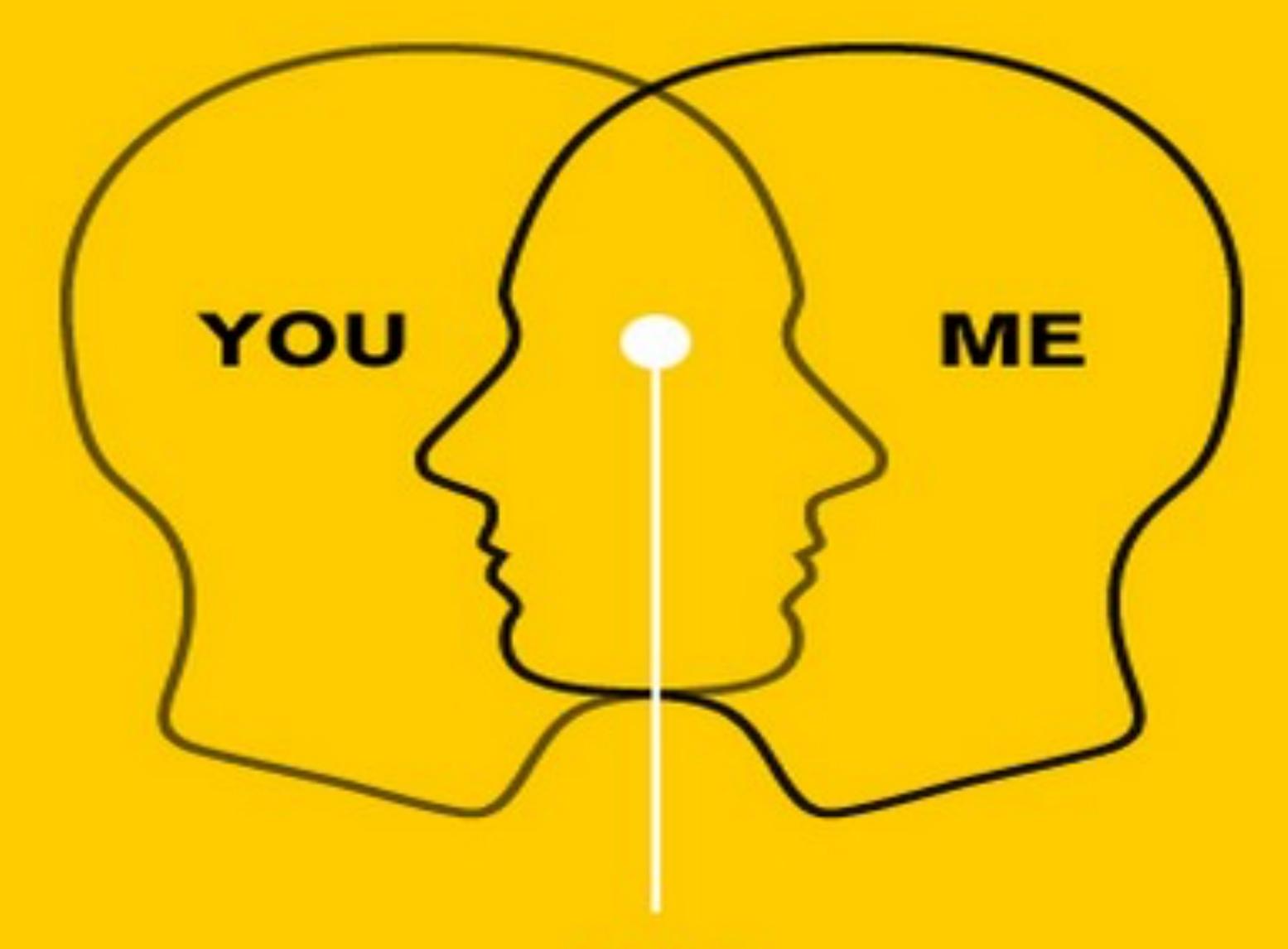
I think empathy is tough, I think we have some natural tendencies to care for our fellow humans, but we kind of unlearn empathy, as a way to survive almost.



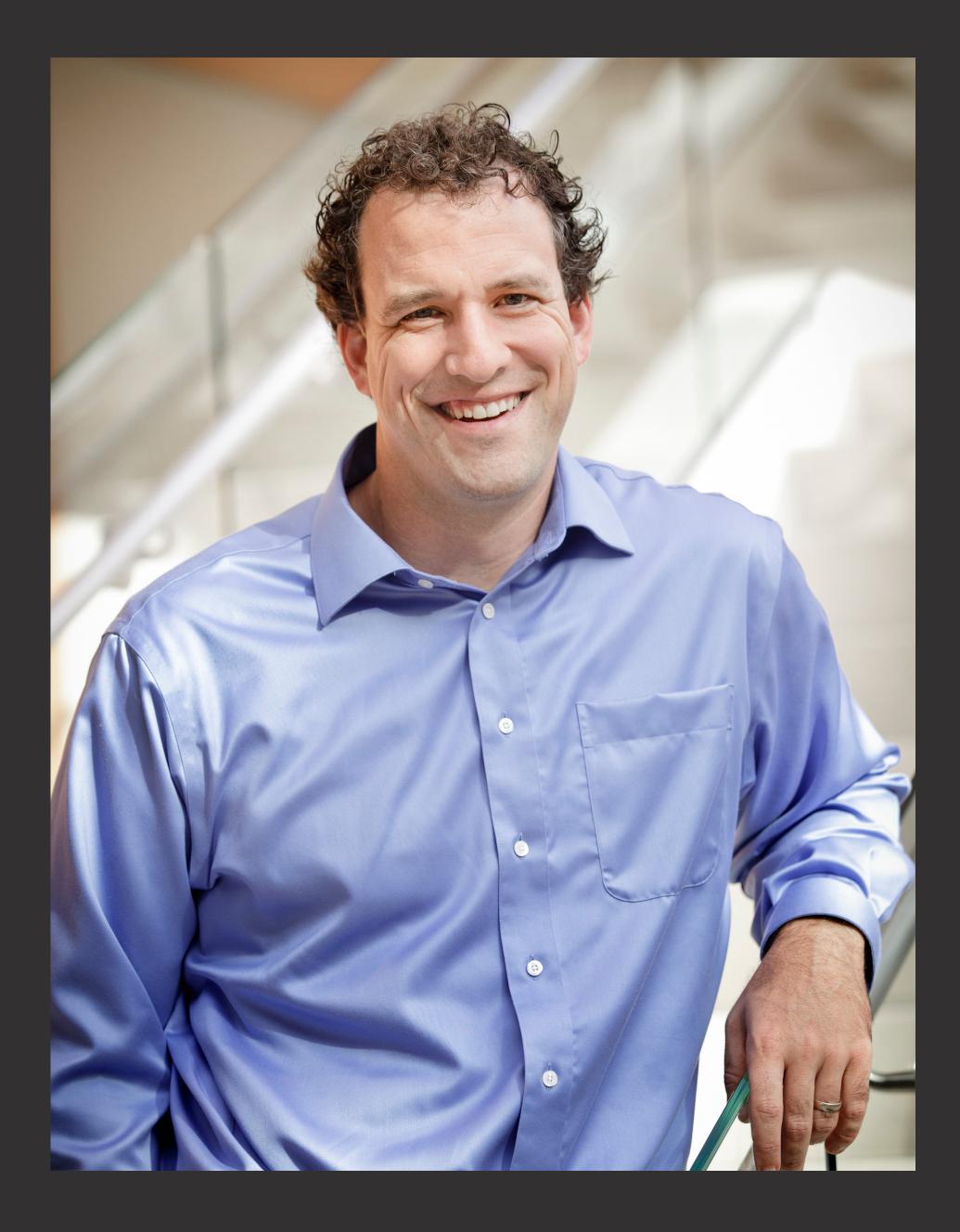
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But empathy is hugely important...it's highly coordinated with leadership skills, family functioning, good parenting, etc... It's just the essential emotion.

WHY IS EMPATHY So essential?







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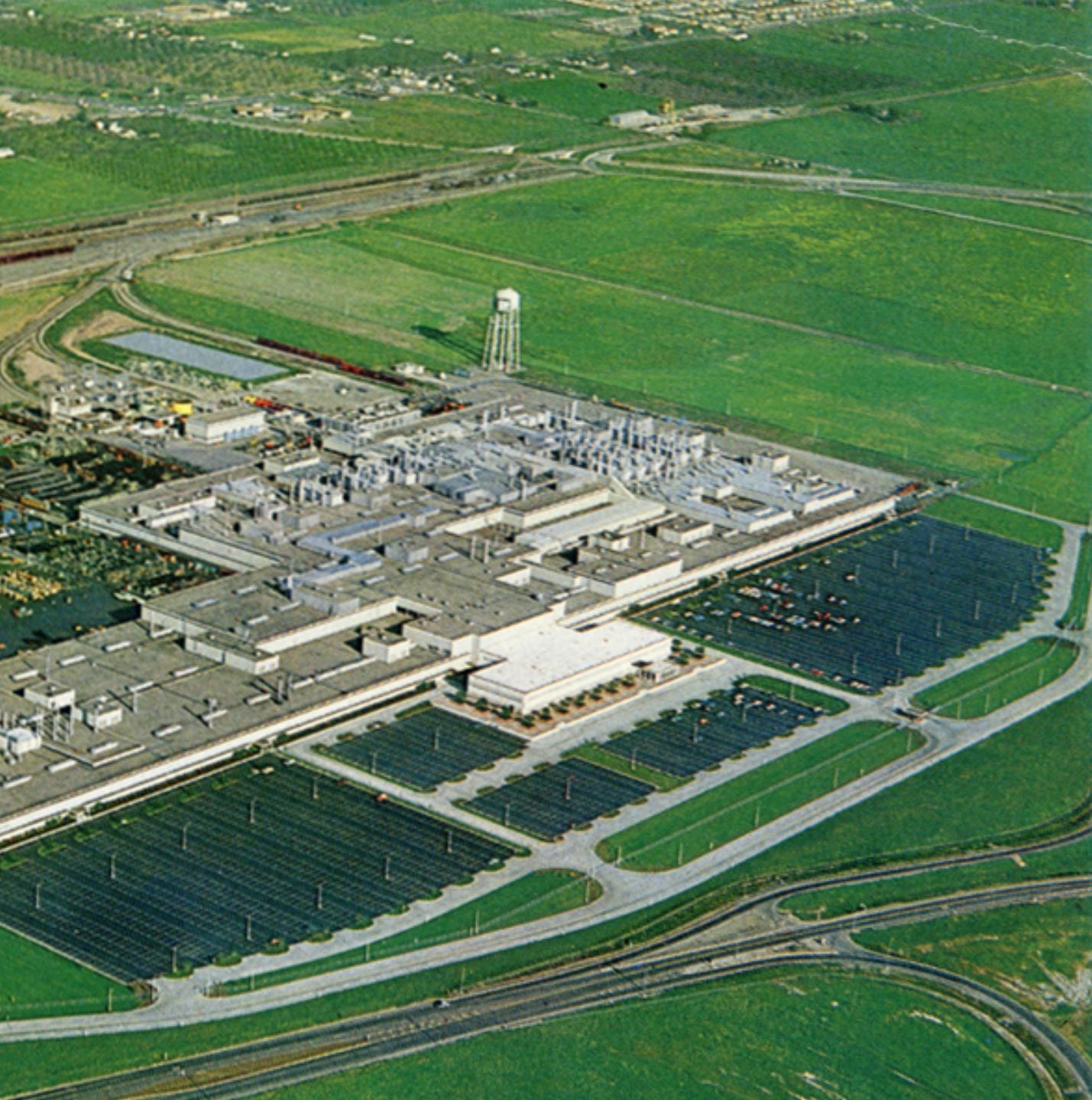
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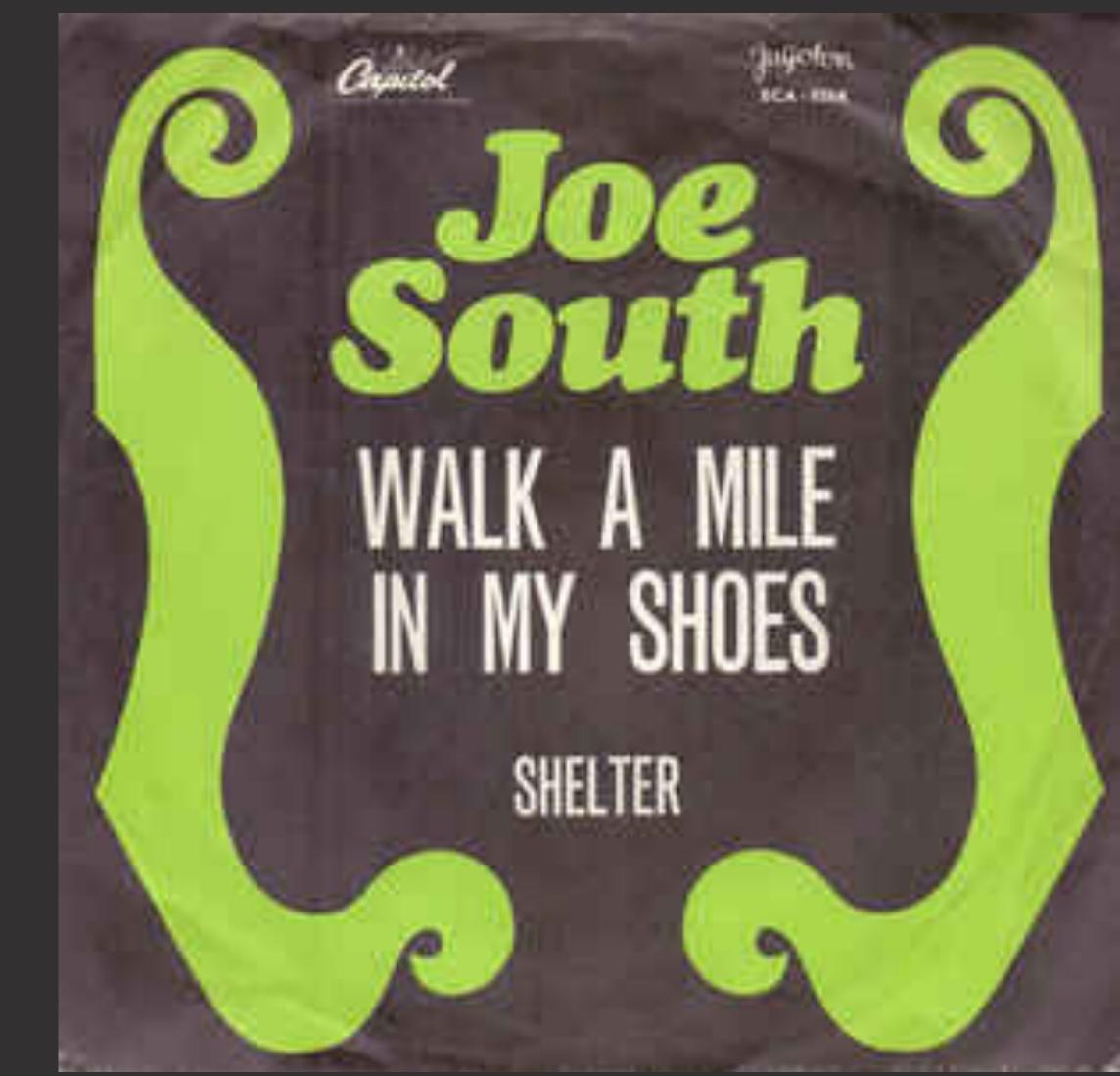
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If I could be you, if you could be me, for just one hour, If we could find a way to get inside each other's minds If you could see you through my eyes, instead of your ego I believe you'd be surprised to see that you've been blind

Walk a mi Walk a mi efore you abuse Walk a mi

- Walk a mile in my shoes
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- Before you abuse, criticize and accuse
 - Walk a mile in my shoes

- Now your whole world, you see around you, is just a reflection And the law of Karma says you're gonna reap, just what you sow So unless you've lived a life of total perfection
 - You better be careful of every stone that you should throw

If we spend the day throwing stones at one another Cause I don't think, or wear my hair, the same way you do Well, I may be common people, but I'm your brother And when you strike out, and try to hurt me, it's hurting you

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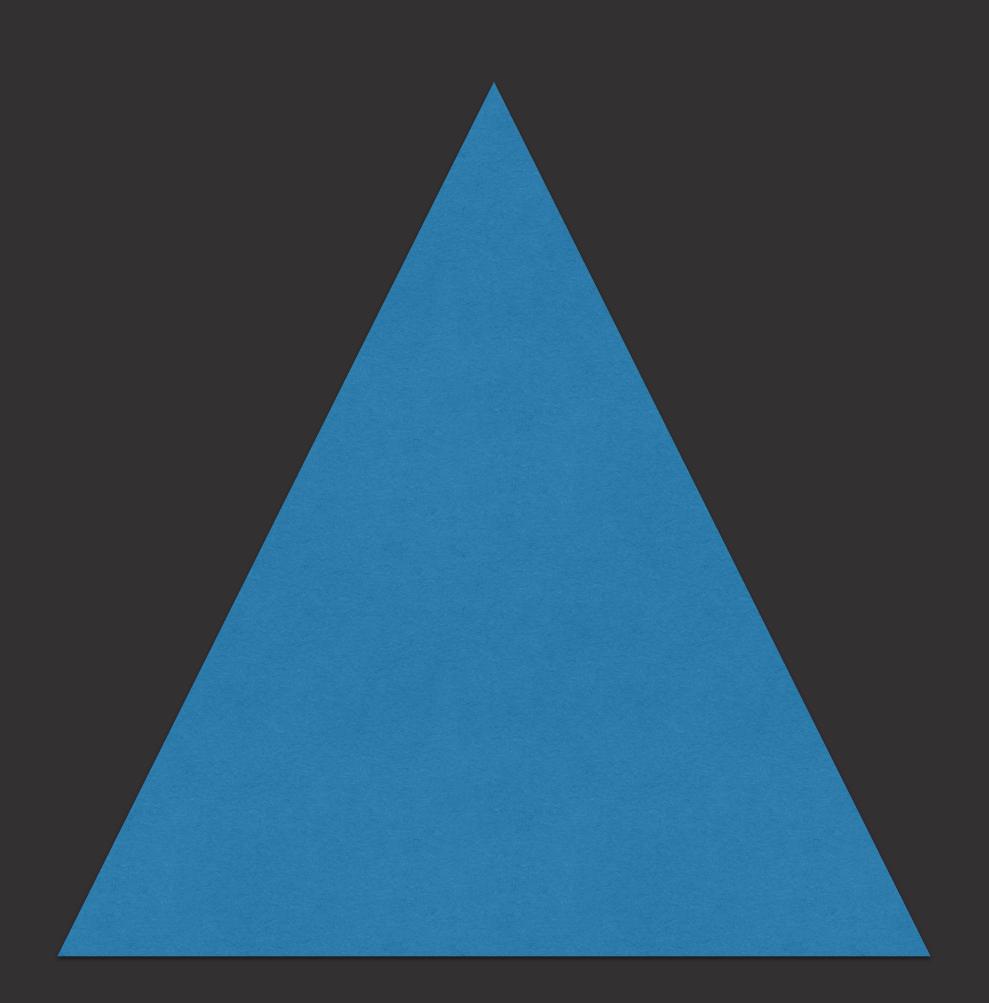
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There are people on reservations and out in the ghettos And brother there, but for the grace of God, go you and I And if I only had wings, of a little angel Don't you know I'd fly, to the top of <u>a mountain, and then I'd cry</u>

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BRAM SARA



Now Sarai, Abram's wife, had borne him no whose name was Hagar. So Sarai said to Abram, "See now, the Lord has restrained me from I shall obtain children by her."

GENESIS 16:1-2

- children. And she had an Egyptian maidservant
- bearing children. Please go into my maid. Perhaps

And Abram heeded the voice of Sarai. Then Sarai, Abram's wife, took Hagar her maid, the Egyptian, and gave her to her husband Abram to be his wife, after Abram had dwelt ten years in the land of Canaan. So he went in to Hagar, and she conceived.

GENESIS 16:3-4

And when she saw that she had conceived, her mistress became despised in her eyes. Then Sarai said to Abram, "My wrong be upon you! I gave my maid into your embrace; and when she saw that she had conceived, I became despised in her eyes. The Lord judge between you and me."

GENESIS 16:4-5

So Abram said to Sarai, "Indeed your maid is in your hand; do to her as you please." And when Sarai dealt harshly with her, she fled from her presence.

GENESIS 16:6

Now the angel of the Lord found her by a spring of water in the wilderness, by the spring on the way to Shur. And He said, "Hagar, Sarai's maid, where have you come from, and where are you going?" She said, "I am fleeing from the presence of my mistress Sarai."

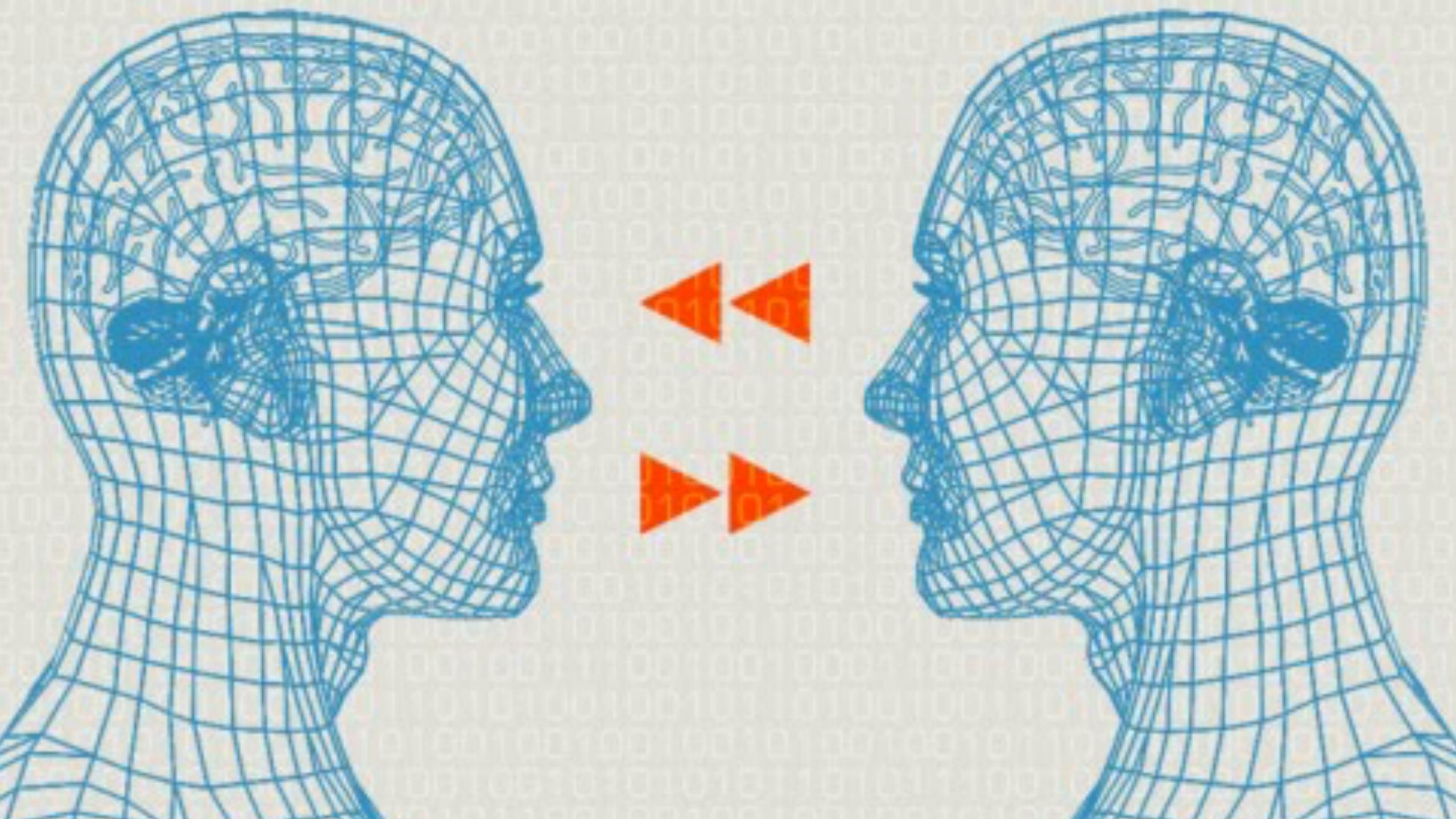
GENESIS 16:7-8

The Angel of the Lord said to her, "Return to your mistress, and submit yourself under her hand." Then the Angel of the Lord said to her, "I will multiply your descendants exceedingly, so that they shall not be counted for multitude."

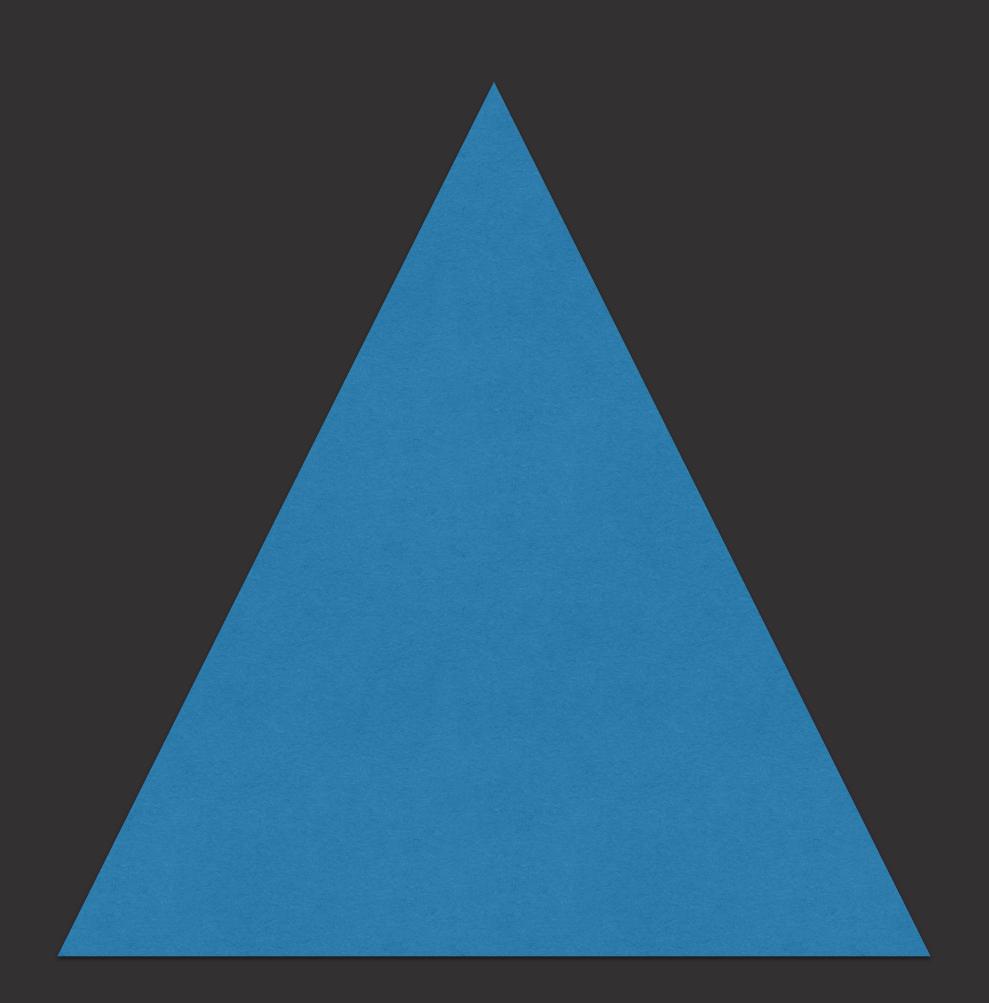
GENESIS 16:9-10

Then she called the name of the Lord who spoke to her, You-Are-the-God-Who-Sees; for she said, "Have I also here seen Him who sees me?"

GENESIS 16:13-14



BRAM SARA



For He said, "Surely, they are My people, children who will be true to me. So He became their Savior. In all their affliction He was afflicted, and he personally rescued them, and he bore them and carried them all the days of old.

ISAIAH 63:8-9

GOD IS ALWAYS IN HIS/HER/THEIR SHOES



ACTUALLY... 14,400,000,000







1/9HOFHEWORD'S POPULATION SUFFERS FROM CHRONIC UNDERNOURISHMENT





Few give thought to the suffering that sin has caused our Creator. Our world is a vast lazar house, a scene of misery that we dare not allow our thoughts to dwell upon. Did we realize it as it is, the burden would be too terrible. Yet God feels it all.

ELLEN WHITE



65 MILLION PEOPLE Are displaced



1 IN 8 PEOPLE WORLDWDE LACKACCESS TO CLEAN WATER





HOW CAN WE KNOW?

Then the King will say to those on His right hand, 'Come, you blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: for I was hungry and you gave Me food; I was thirsty and you gave Me drink; I was a stranger and you took Me in; I was naked and you clothed Me; I was sick and you visited Me; I was in prison and you came to Me.'

MATTHEW 25

Then the righteous will answer Him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry and feed *You*, or thirsty and give *You* drink? When did we see You a stranger and take *You* in, or naked and clothe *You*? Or when did we see You sick, or in prison, and come to You?' And the King will answer and say to them, 'Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did *it* to one of the least of these My brethren, you did *it* to Me.'

MATTHEW 25



1 IN 4 AMERICANS STRUGGLES WITH MENTAL ILLNESS



1 IN 5 UNDERGRAD WOMEN REPORT Being Sexually Assaulted Since Starting School in Eugene













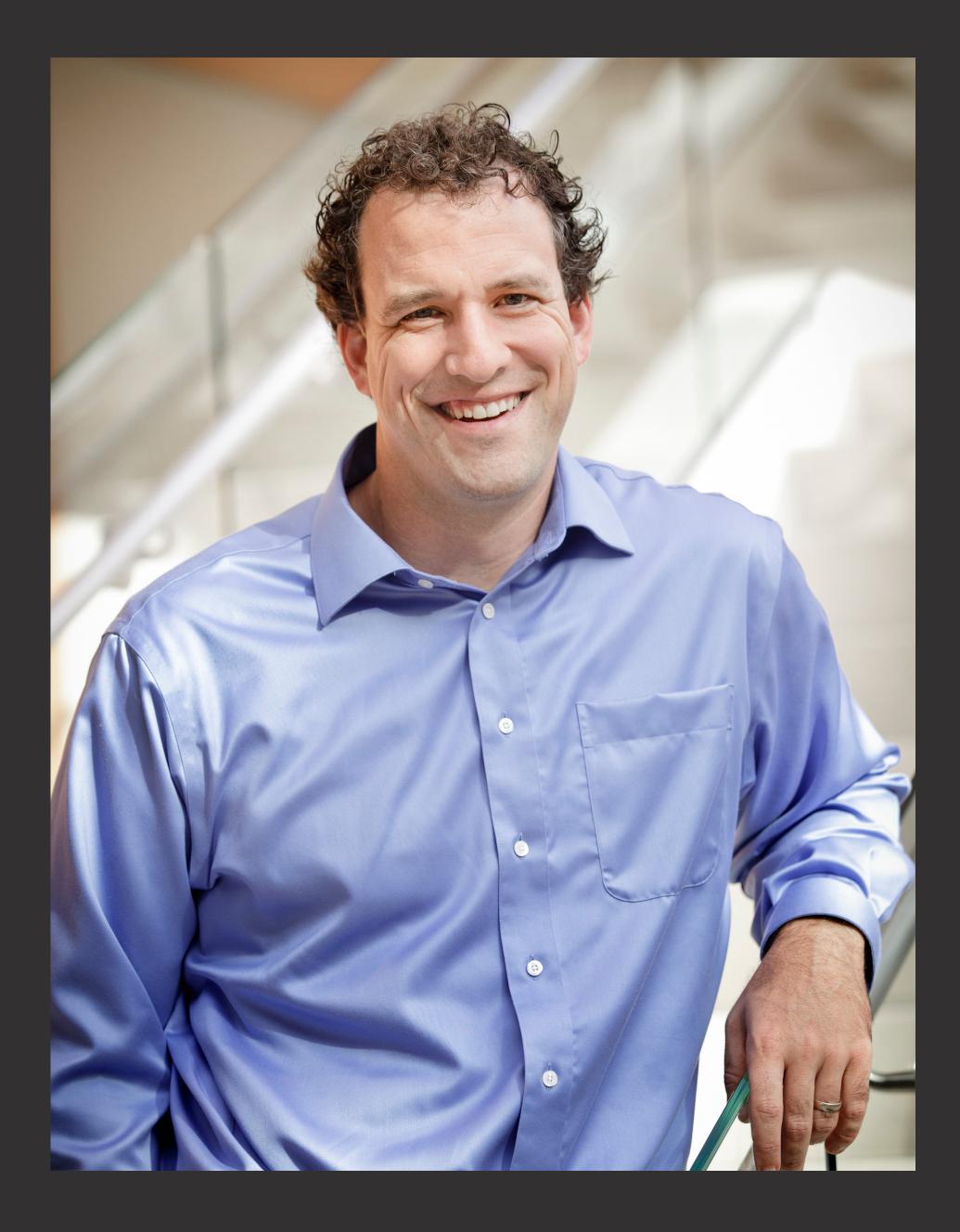




The inhumanity of man toward man is our greatest sin.

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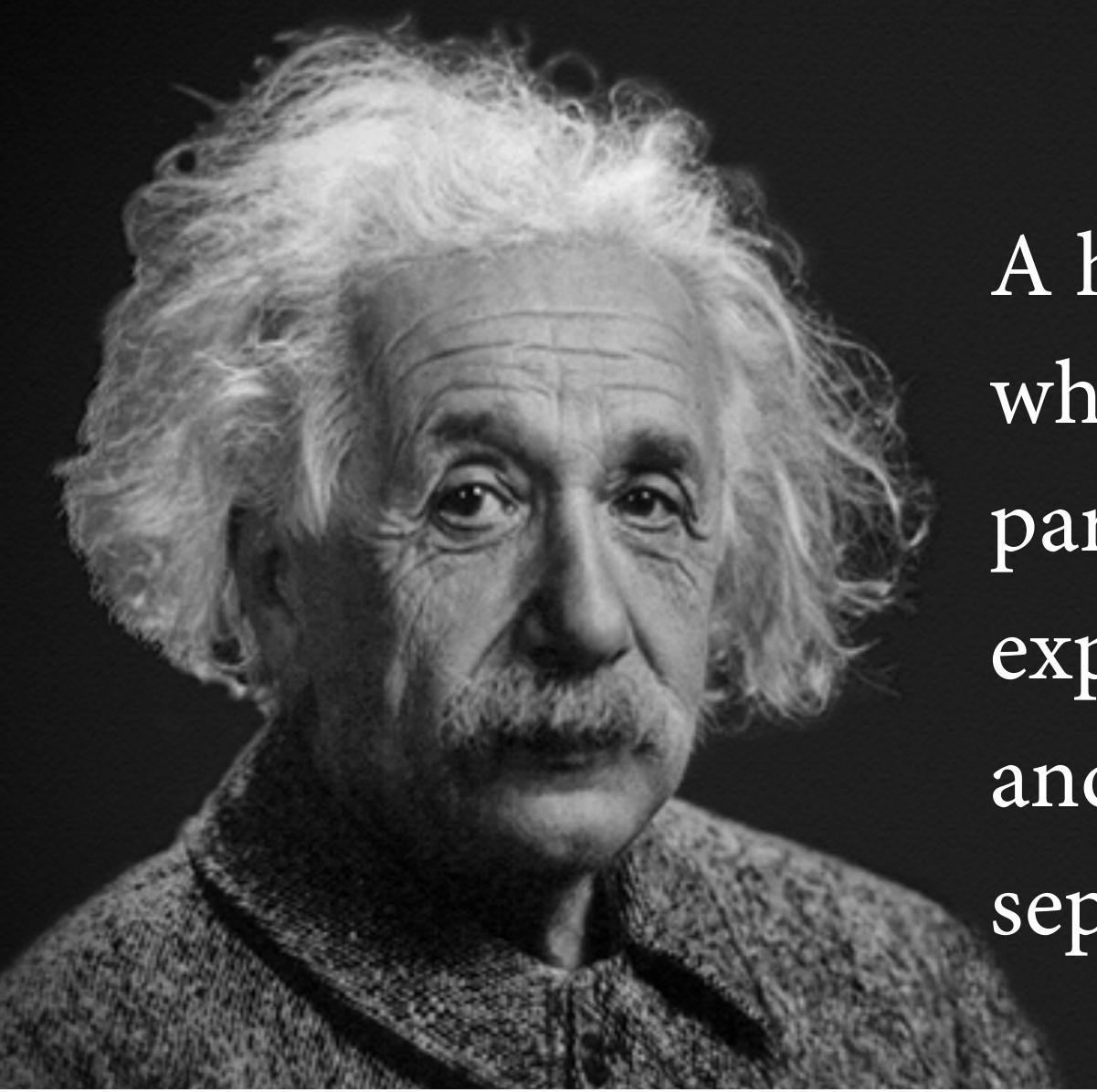
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The mistake that can arise when you fail to engage with the minds of others is that you may come to think of them as relatively mindless. That is, you may come to think that these others have less going on between their ears than say, you do.

NICOLAS EPLEY

By failing to engage our capacity to understand the minds of other people, we not only become indifferent to them, we risk losing some of our own humanity.

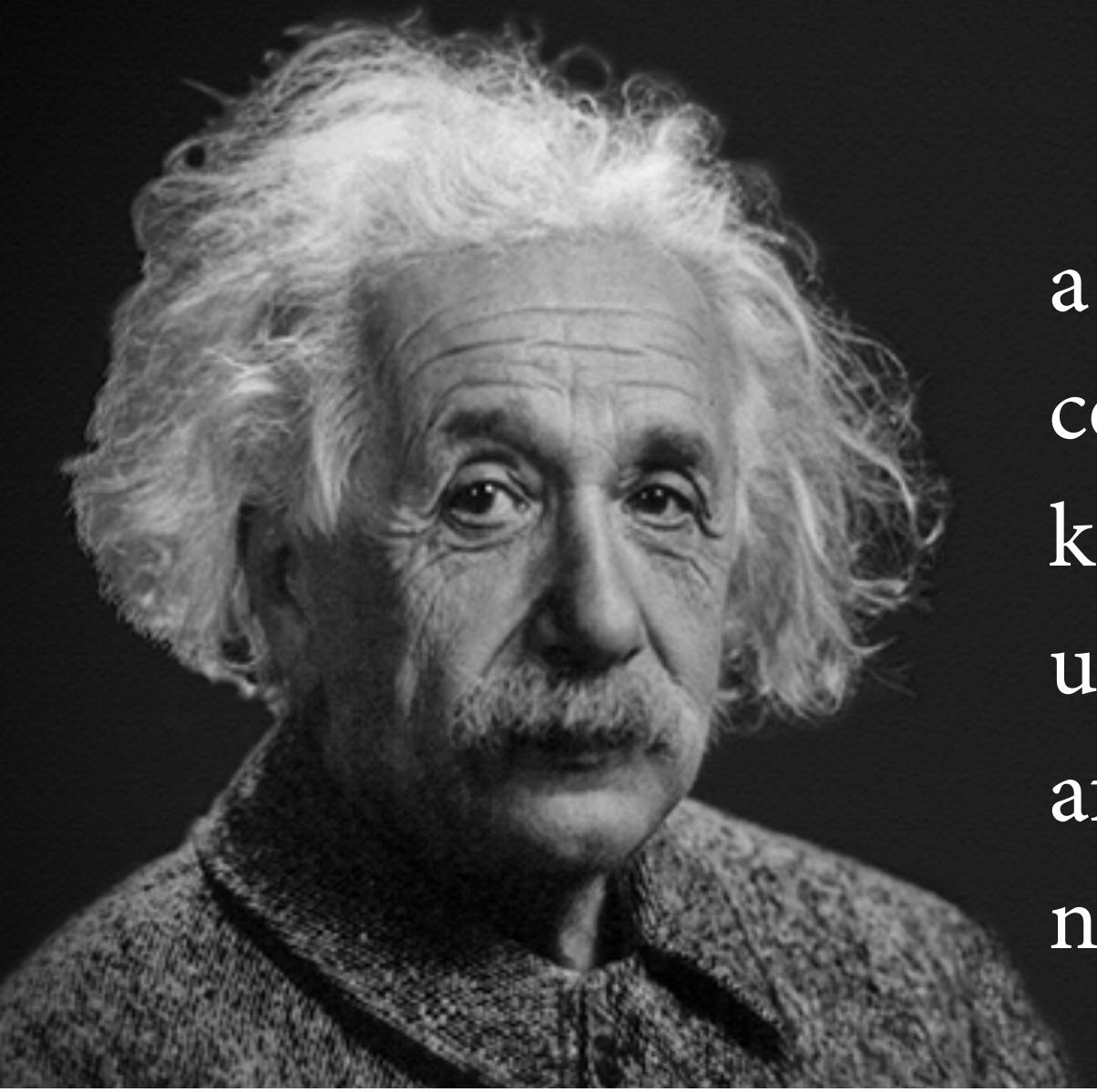
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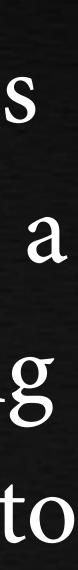
A human being is a part of a whole, called by us "universe," a part limited in time and space. He experiences himself, his thoughts and feelings as something separated from the rest...

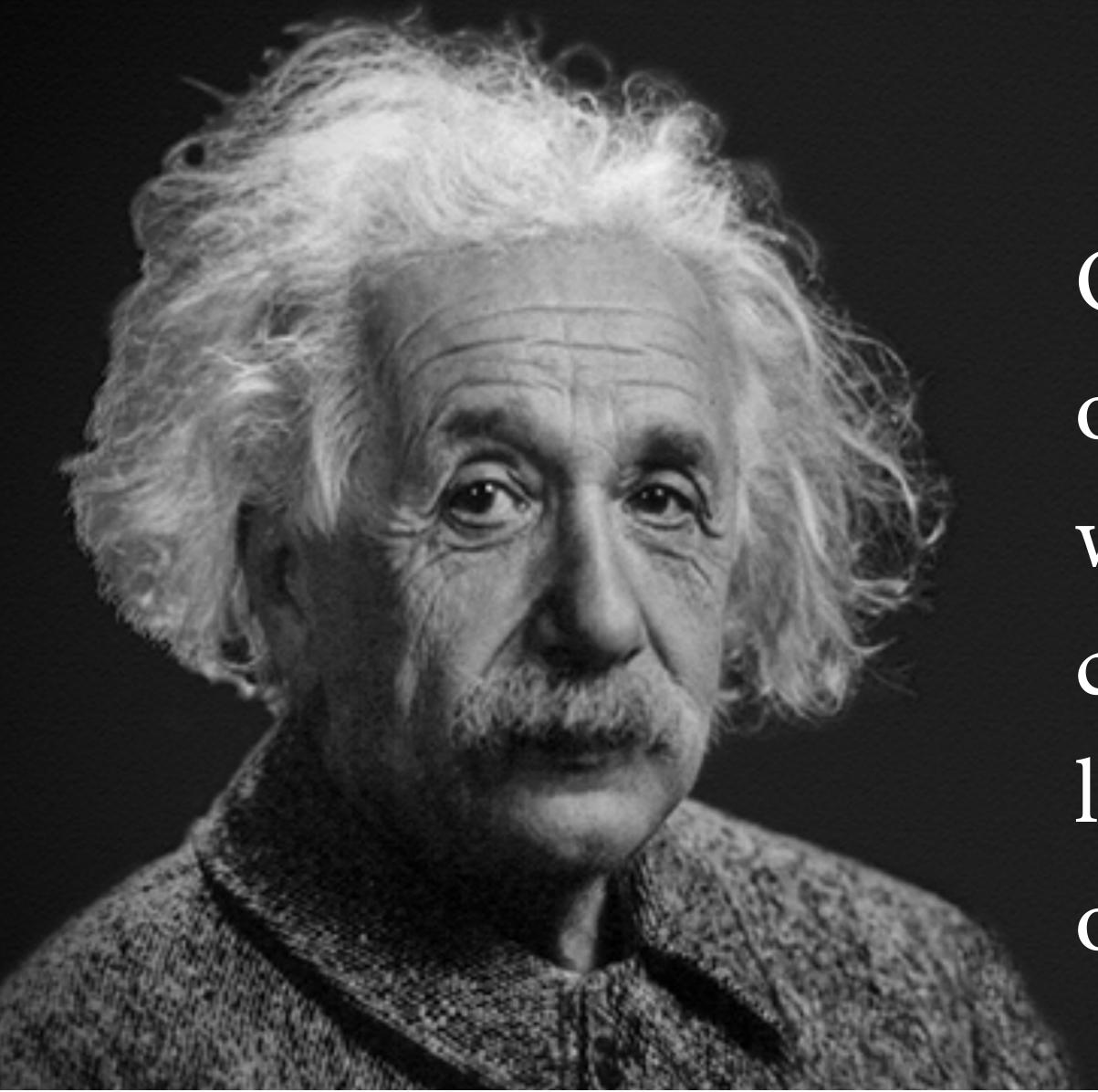




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a kind of optical delusion of his consciousness. This delusion is a kind of prison for us, restricting us to our personal desires and to affection for a few persons nearest to us.





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Our task must be to free ourselves from this prison by widening our circle of compassion to embrace all living creatures and the whole of nature in its beauty.

HOW CAN WE FREE OURSELVES FROM THIS PRISON?

GOD GIVES US:

- a new way of thinking
- a new way of communicating
- a new way of loving
- a new way of being loved

GOD GIVES US A NEW WAY OF THINKING

BODY OF CHRIST

The body is not one member but many. And if one member suffers, all the members suffer with *it*; or if one member is honored, all the members rejoice with *it*. Now you are the body of Christ, and members individually.

1 CORINTHIANS 12:14, 26-27



EQUAL VALUE

OUR UNLOVING ACTIONS CAUSE AUTOIMMUNE REACTIONS

COMMUNICATING

Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep.

ROMANS 12:15

other; let us show the truth by our actions.

1 JOHN 3:18

Dear children, let's not merely say that we love each

GOD GIVES US A NEW WAY OF LOVING

If men today were simple in their habits, living in harmony with nature's laws, as did Adam and Eve in the beginning, there would be an abundant supply for the needs of the human family. There would be fewer imaginary wants, and more opportunities to work in God's ways.

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But selfishness and the indulgence of unnatural taste have brought sin and misery into the world, from excess on the one hand, and from want on the other.

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ARE POWERFUL



GOD LOVES VERY Strategically



service." This is a daily matter.

ELLEN WHITE

Let your prayer be, "Take me, O Lord, as wholly Yours. I lay all my plans at Your feet. Use me today in Your

EFERRIS IO RELEVE HUMAN SUFFERING

FREDERICK BUECHNER

The place that God calls you to is the place where your deep gladness and the world's deep hunger meet.

GOD GIVES US A NEW WAY OF BEING LOVED

God came to be you, He God found a way to g God hears and sees you thr He feels your joy. He feel

- God came to be you, He came to be me, He is a lover
 - God found a way to get inside your very mind
- God hears and sees you through His love, and like no other
 - He feels your joy. He feels your pain, His heart is kind

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