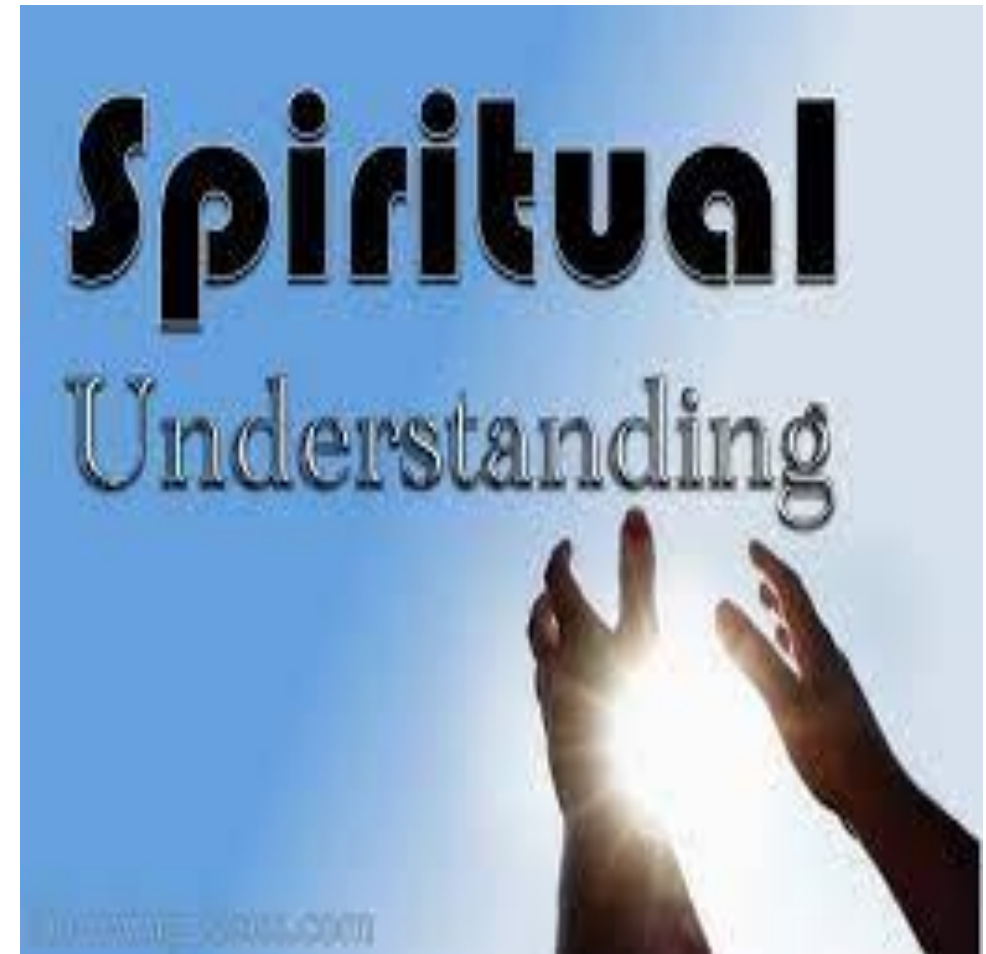


**DNA DISCOVERY  
CHANGES  
EVERYTHING!**



## DNA Strand #3

# Spiritual Understanding

*Focus on Peoples and Places*

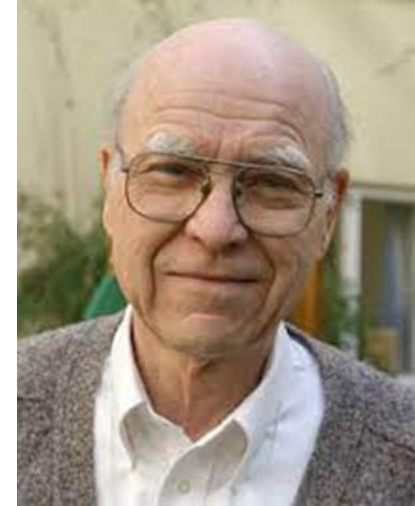


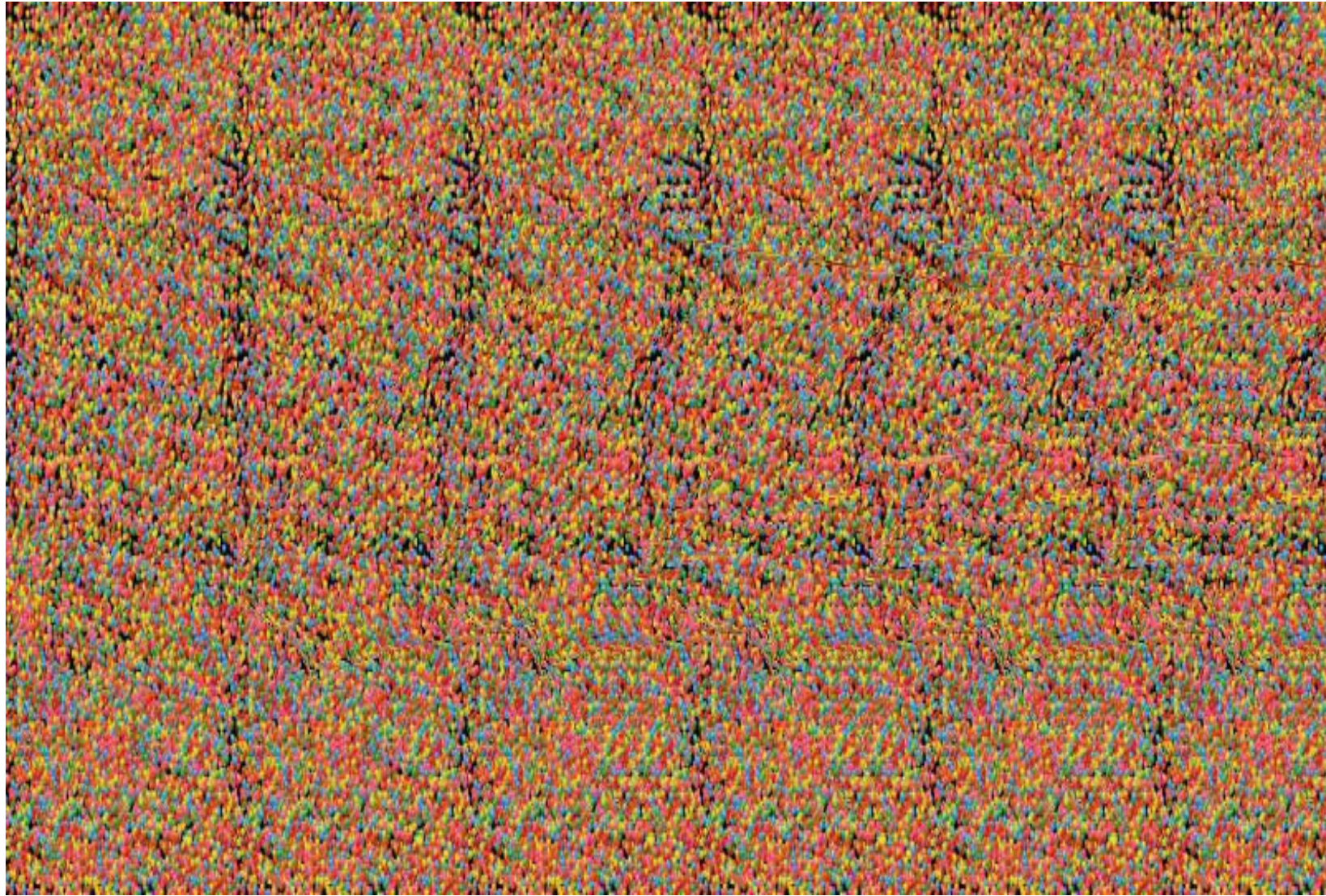
The Church at Jerusalem and Caesarea

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**“...hidden in plain sight.”**

**Ralph Winter**





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# REDISCOVERING THE 1<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY CHURCH FOR 21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY SPIRITUAL AWAKENING



**DNA Thread #3 Spiritual Understanding**

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**<sup>5</sup> Jesus sent out the twelve apostles with these instructions: “Don’t go to the Gentiles or the Samaritans, <sup>6</sup> but only to the people of Israel— God’s lost sheep.**

**Matthew 10:5-6**

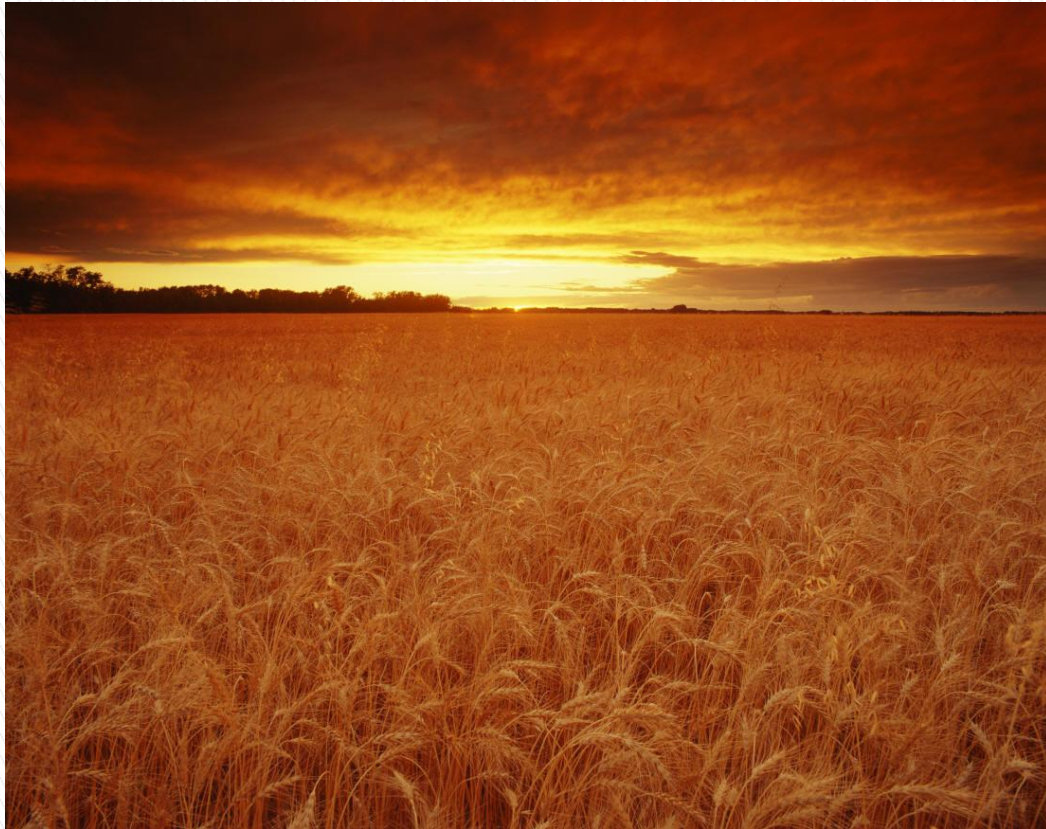


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**13 “What sorrow awaits you, Korazin and Bethsaida! For if the miracles I did in you had been done in wicked Tyre and Sidon, their people would have repented of their sins long ago, clothing themselves in burlap and throwing ashes on their heads to show their remorse. 14 Yes, Tyre and Sidon will be better off on judgment day than you. 15 And you people of Capernaum, will you be honored in heaven? No, you will go down to the place of the dead.**

**Luke 10:12-15**

# Two Ways to View the Harvest



Field of People

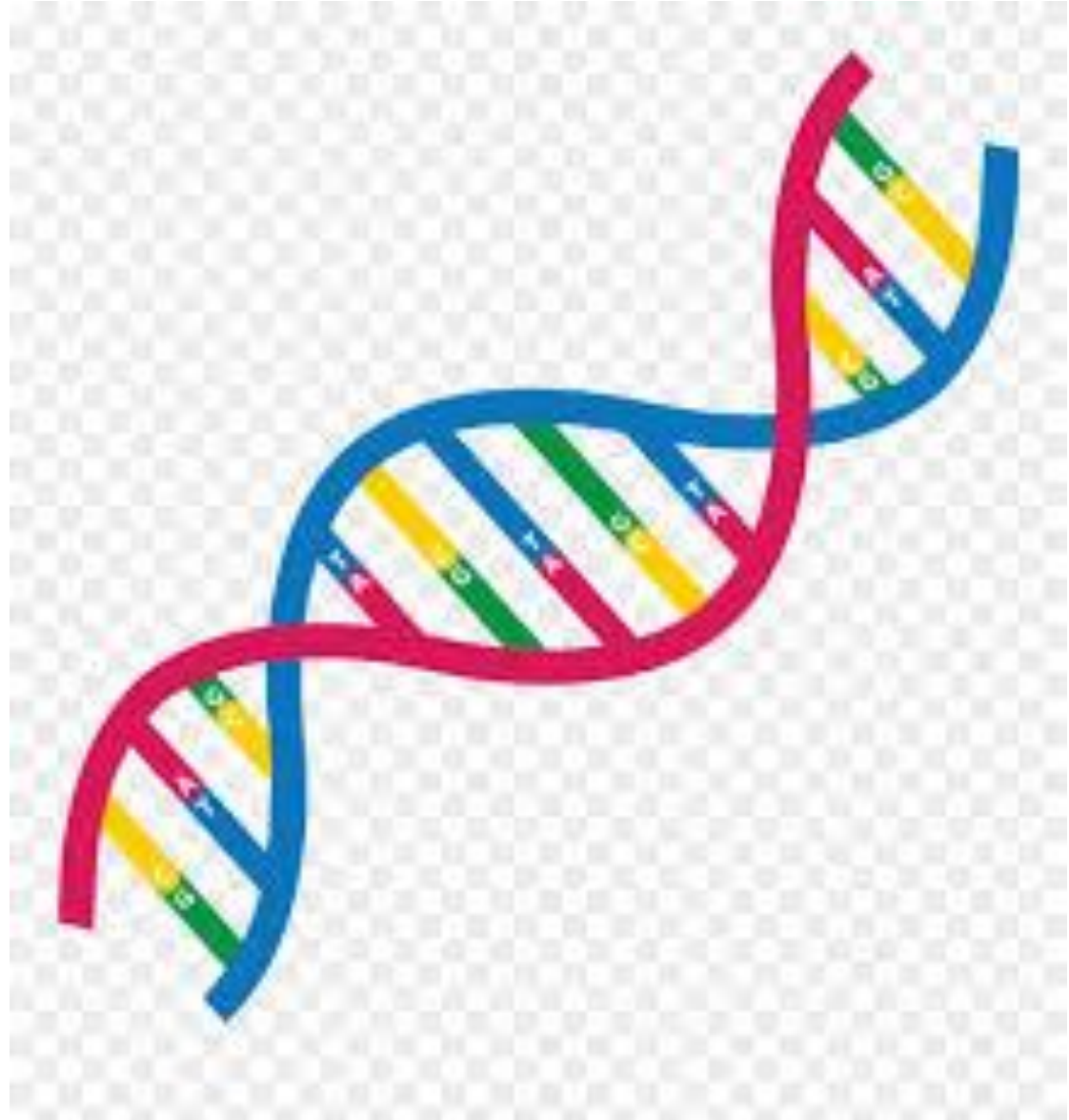


Cluster of People

**1. SPIRITUALLY  
INFORMED  
PEOPLE--**

**UNDERSTAND  
ETHNIC  
DIVERSITY**

ACTS 2:5-11



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**<sup>7</sup> They were completely amazed. “How can this be?” they exclaimed. “These people are all from Galilee, <sup>8</sup> and yet we hear them speaking in our own native languages! <sup>9</sup> Here we are—Parthians, Medes, Elamites, people from Mesopotamia, Judea, Cappadocia, Pontus, the province of Asia, <sup>10</sup> Phrygia, Pamphylia, Egypt, and the areas of Libya around Cyrene, visitors from Rome <sup>11</sup> (both Jews and converts to Judaism), Cretans, and Arabs. And we all hear these people speaking in our own languages about the wonderful things God has done!”**

**Acts 2:7-11**

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# Tower of Babel



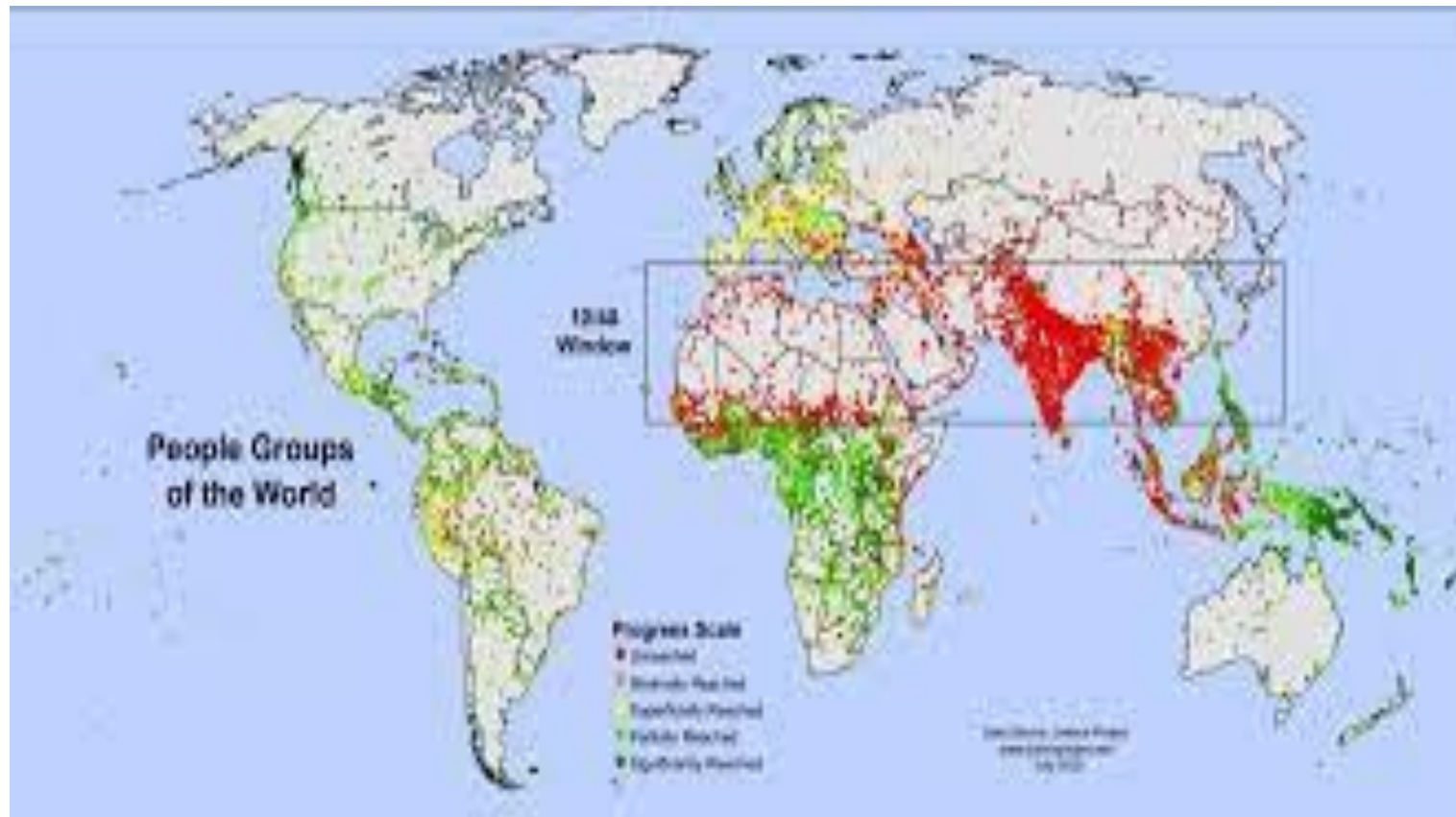
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**“We need to learn the heart  
language of the people and to share  
the gospel with them in their  
language.”**

**Ajith Fernando**

**NIV Life Application Commentary**

# The 10/40 Window



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## CORNELIUS AND SPIRITUAL UNDERSTANDING





# People Groups Spectrum

The graphic is a horizontal banner with a dark background and a green-to-blue gradient. At the top, it reads 'NORTH AMERICAN PEOPLES SPECTRUM'. Below this, three categories are highlighted in colored boxes: 'kinship groups MY PEOPLE' (red), 'geographic groups MY PLACE' (green), and 'association groups MY INTEREST' (blue). The central area is filled with a word cloud of various terms related to these categories, such as 'QUEBECOIS', 'PEOPLE', 'GROUPS', 'DOWNTOWN', 'RURAL', 'COLLEGE', 'INTERPERSONAL', 'RELATIONSHIPS', 'COWBOYS', 'WORLDVIEW', 'STUDENTS', 'SAME KIN', 'SAME LOCATION', 'ETHNICITY', 'CULTURE', 'BIKERS', 'OCCUPATION', 'DINKA', 'MY LANGUAGE', 'MAN', 'MY PLACE', 'GANGS', 'SAME', 'NAVAJO', 'CAMP', 'WORLDVIEW', 'LUXURY CONDOS', 'FARM', 'INTERESTS', 'VIEW', 'MIXTECO', 'PEOPLE', 'VIEW'. On the left side, there is a vertical green bar with the text 'PEOPLES SEARCH' and 'Discovering unreached peoples in your community'. On the right side, there is a vertical green bar with the text 'PEOPLE TEAMS' and 'Equipping laity to start new churches among all peoples'. At the bottom, the email address 'PeoplesSpectrum@namb.net' and the website 'www.namb.net' are listed, along with the North American Mission Board logo.

**NORTH AMERICAN PEOPLES SPECTRUM**

kinship groups **MY PEOPLE** geographic groups **MY PLACE** association groups **MY INTEREST**

QUEBECOIS PEOPLE GROUPS DOWNTOWN RURAL COLLEGE INTERPERSONAL  
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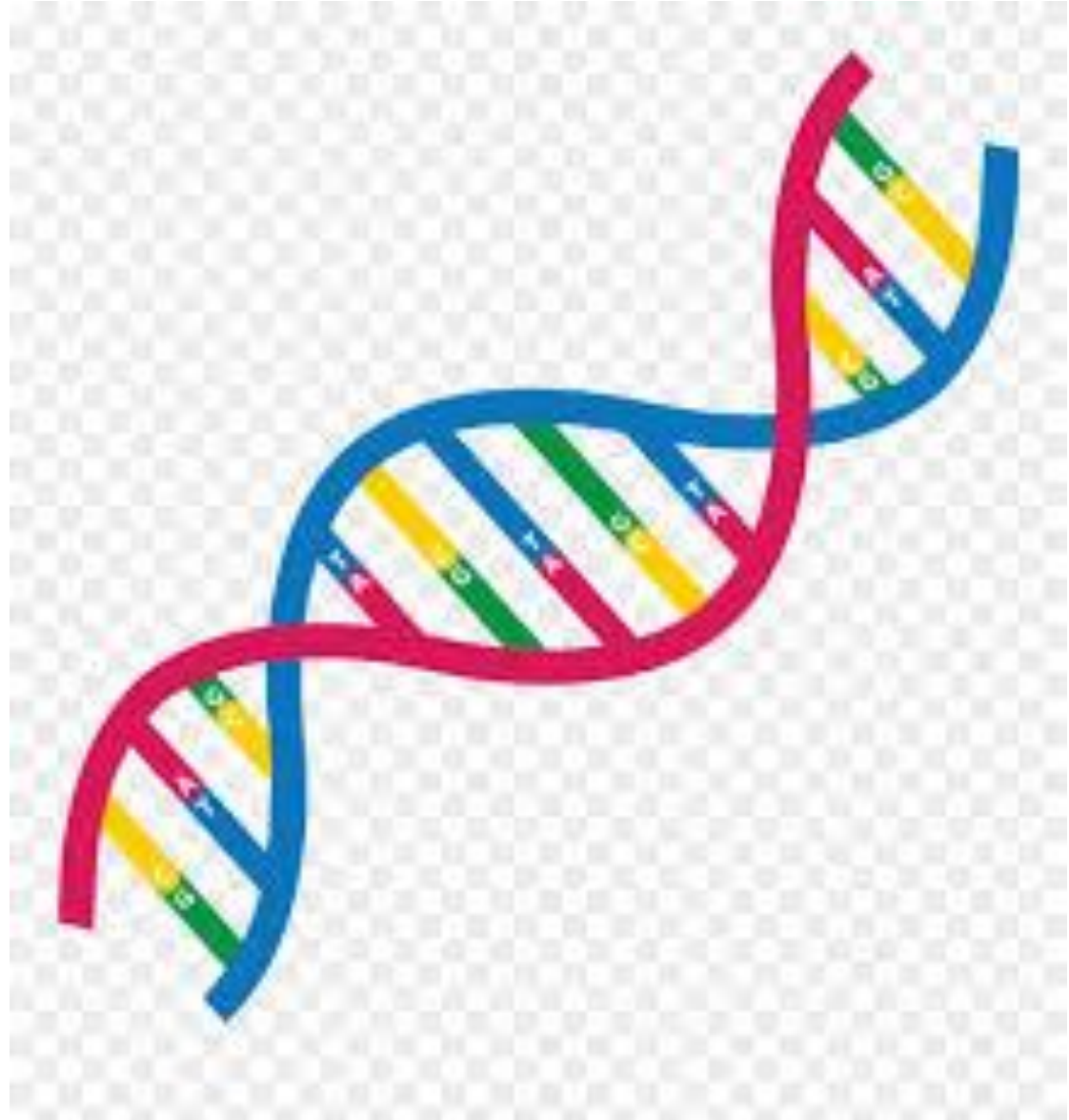
**<sup>1</sup>In Caesarea there lived a Roman army officer named Cornelius, who was a captain of the Italian Regiment. <sup>2</sup> He was a devout, God-fearing man, as was everyone in his household. He gave generously to the poor and prayed regularly to God. <sup>3</sup> One afternoon about three o'clock, he had a vision in which he saw an angel of God coming toward him. "Cornelius!" the angel said.**

**Acts 10:1-4**

**2. SPIRITUALLY  
INFORMED  
PEOPLE--**

**UNDERSTAND  
LOCATION**

ACTS 1:6-8



## Where are the People?





**More than  
9,400 churches  
since 2010**



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**<sup>4</sup> Cornelius stared at him in terror. “What is it, sir?” he asked the angel.**

**And the angel replied, “Your prayers and gifts to the poor have been received by God as an offering! <sup>5</sup> Now send some men to Joppa, and summon a man named Simon Peter. <sup>6</sup> He is staying with Simon, a tanner who lives near the seashore.”**

**Acts 10:4-6**

# PIGS IN A BLANKET





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**<sup>34</sup> Then Peter replied, “I see very clearly that God shows no favoritism. <sup>35</sup> In every nation he accepts those who fear him and do what is right. <sup>36</sup> This is the message of Good News for the people of Israel—that there is peace with God through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all.**

**Acts 10:34-36**

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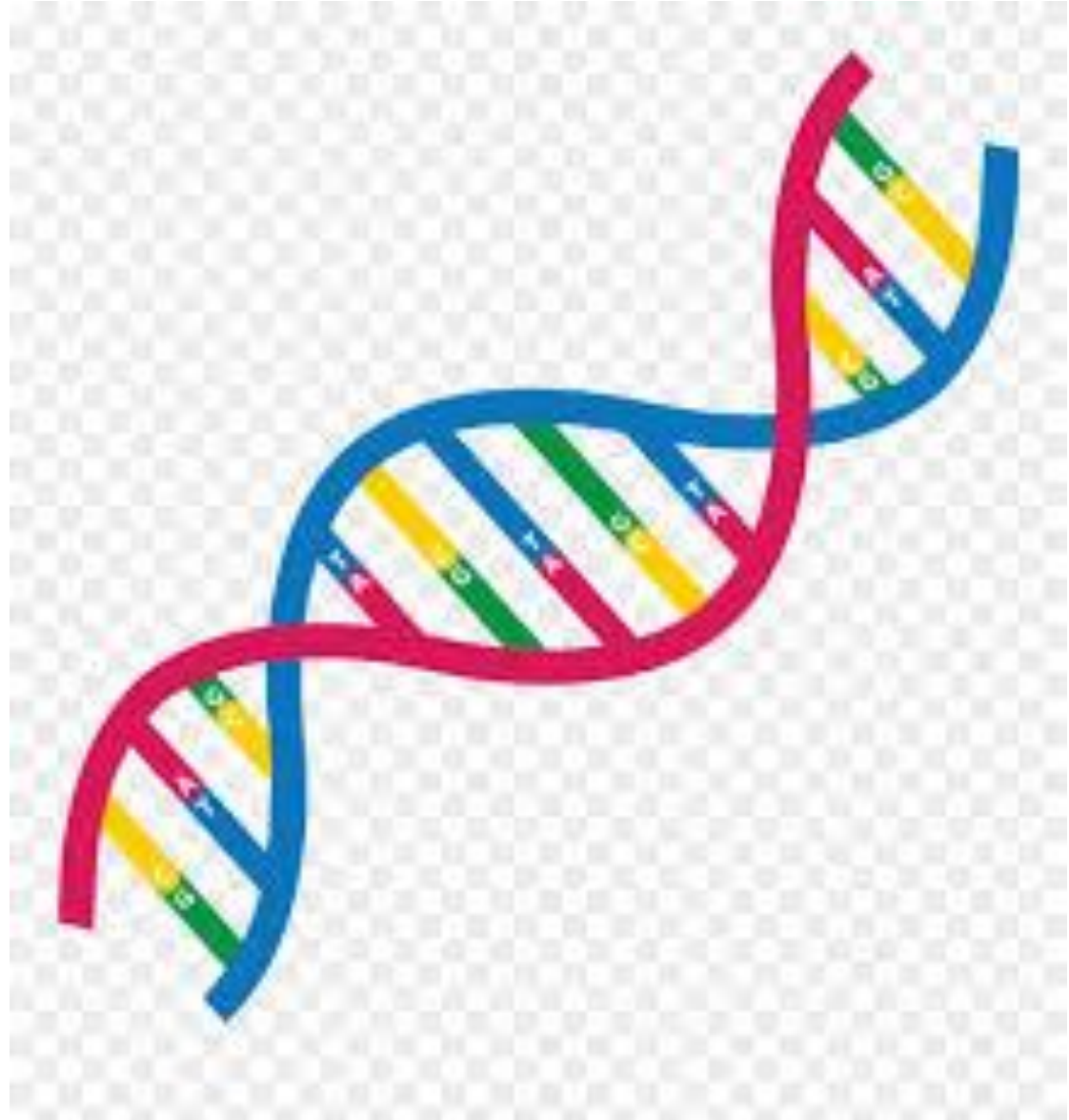
**<sup>44</sup> Even as Peter was saying these things, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who were listening to the message. <sup>45</sup> The Jewish believers who came with Peter were amazed that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out on the Gentiles, too. <sup>46</sup> For they heard them speaking in other tongues and praising God. Then Peter asked, <sup>47</sup> “Can anyone object to their being baptized, now that they have received the Holy Spirit just as we did?”**

**Acts 10:44-47**

**3. SPIRITUALLY  
INFORMED  
PEOPLE--**

**UNDERSTAND  
AFFINITY  
NETWORKS**

ACTS 10:1





## Cape County Cowboy Church



## Faith Riders Biker Church

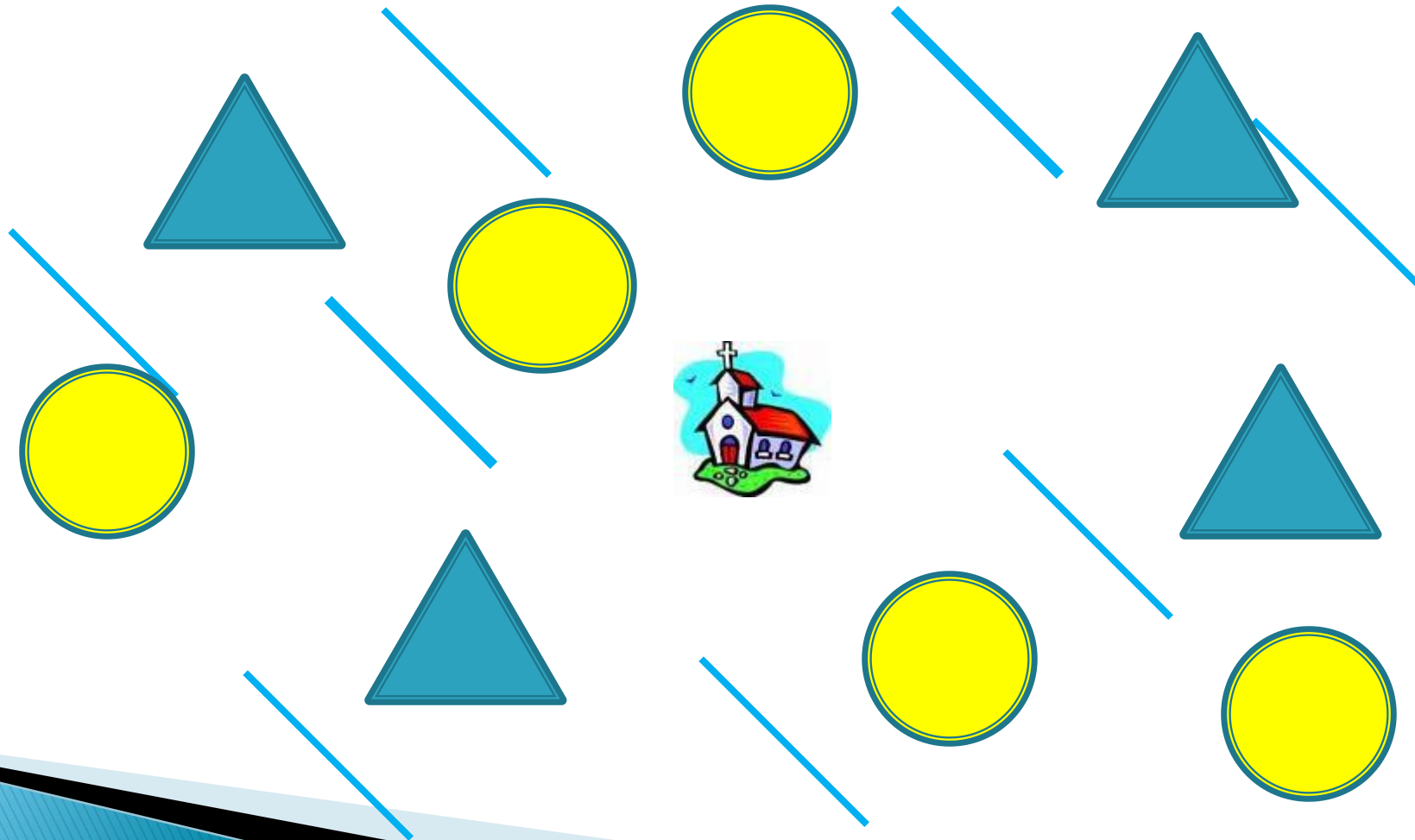


# **Mustang Car Club**



# Your Mission

## People Search-Seeing





**"BE STILL, AND KNOW  
THAT I AM GOD.**

**I WILL BE EXALTED AMONG THE NATIONS,  
I WILL BE EXALTED IN THE EARTH!"**

PSALM 46:10 (ESV)



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**DNA Principles**

- Life of Christ
- His Disciples (Sending of the 12 and 70)
- Churches of Acts

**First Helix**

- Love God
- Love Neighbor

**Second Helix**

- Authority
- Sent
- Make Disciples
- All Nations
- Obedience

## DO YOU HAVE YOUR SPIRITUAL GLASSES ON OR NOT?

*18 Where there is no vision, the people perish: but he that keeps the law, happy is he.*

*Proverbs 29:18*

# Spiritual Glasses



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## **CALL TO ACTION—NEXT SEVEN WEEKS**

- Commit to a Season of Missional Revival
- Read Acts Using the ACTS Reading Guides
- Pray Using the ACTS Prayer Guides
- Listen to These Sermons from Acts
- Participate in an ACTS Small Group
- Do the Weekly Missionary Activity