

An abstract painting with a complex, layered composition. The background is a dense mix of colors including purples, blues, yellows, oranges, and greens, with visible brushstrokes and textures. The overall effect is one of dynamic energy and depth.

# GOSPEL-CHANGED WORK



REDEMPTION:

GOSPEL  
CHANGE

# RECONCILIATION

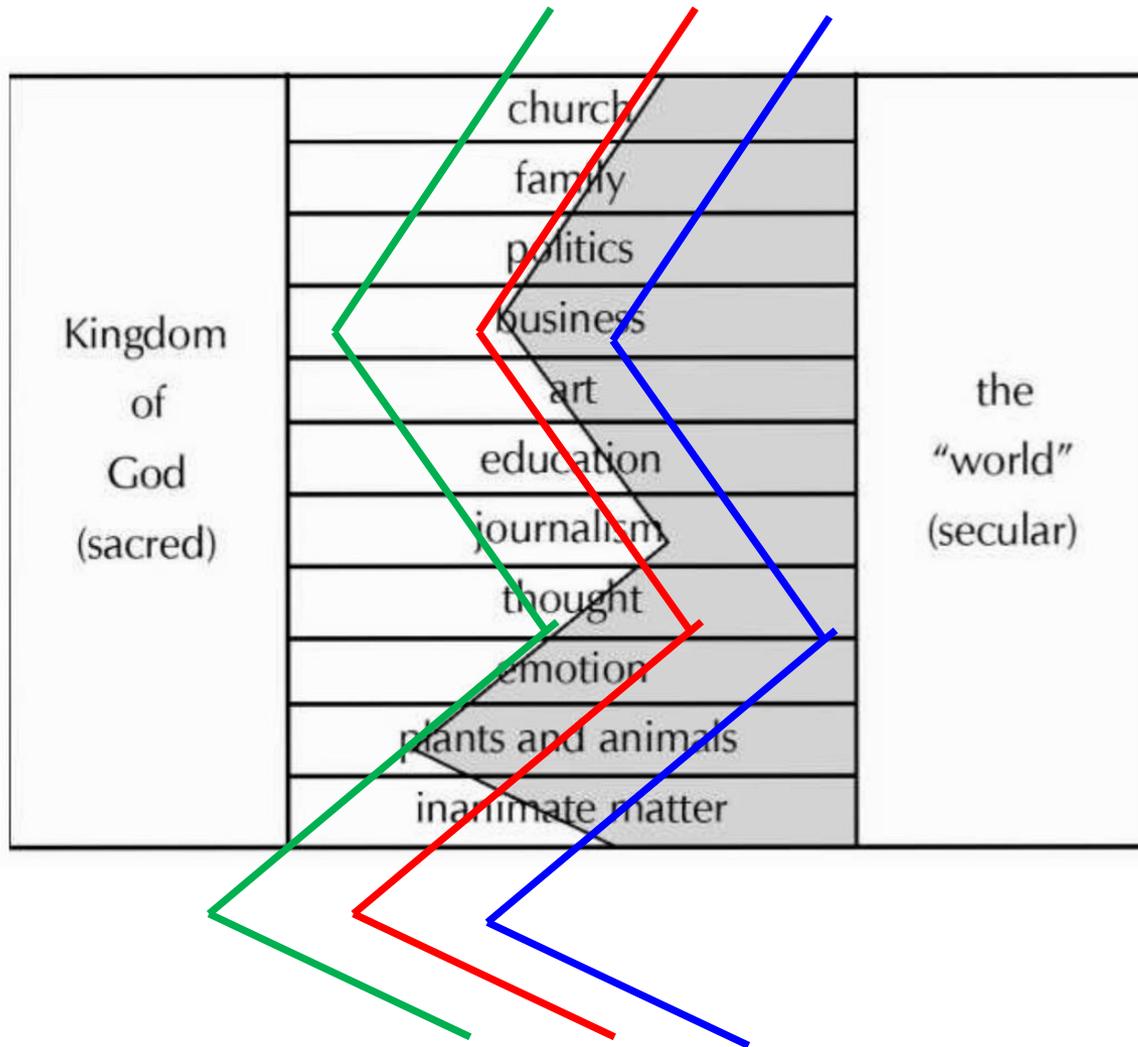
*The obvious implication is that the new humanity (God's people) is called to promote renewal in every department of creation. If Christ is the reconciler of all things, and if we have been entrusted with the ministry of reconciliation on his behalf, then we have a redemptive task wherever our vocation places us in this world.*

Wolters, Creation Regained, p73

# SCOPE OF THE KINGDOM

|                    |
|--------------------|
| church             |
| family             |
| politics           |
| business           |
| art                |
| education          |
| journalism         |
| thought            |
| emotion            |
| plants and animals |
| inanimate matter   |

# SCOPE OF THE KINGDOM



# NOT THERE YET...

*God has established a beachhead in creation and has staked out his claim for the whole. We now live in the period between the decisive battle won by Christ, and the definitive establishment of his sovereignty over all of his territories.*

Wolters, Creation Regained, p84

Second Coming of Christ  
General Resurrection of the Dead

Age to Come

The Already and Not Yet

This Age

First Coming of Christ  
Outpouring of the Holy Spirit  
Resurrection of Christ

*Our spiritual resurrection in the already makes our physical resurrection in the future certain.*

**REDEEMED**



the gospel changes  
everything:

**OUR HEARTS**  
**OUR RELATIONSHIPS**  
**THE WORLD**

**BEAR FRUIT  
FOR GOD'S -  
GLORY**

**OLD SELF -  
DEATH**



**PUT ON NEW -  
RESURRECTION**

# MY OWN CAREER CHANGE

**SEE GOD PROVIDE  
JOY AT THE FRUIT**



**DIE TO:  
STATUS  
VACATION HOME  
CA LIFESTYLE**

**TRUST IN GOD'S PLAN  
RE-ORDER VALUES**



*Cheer Up!*

*You're a worse sinner  
than you ever dared  
imagine...*

*Cheer Up!*

*In Christ you're more  
loved than you ever  
dared hope.*

**Jack Miller**

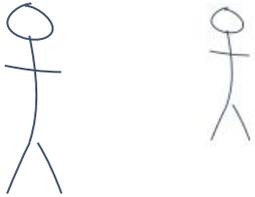
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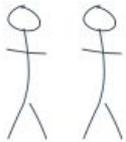
# GOSPEL-CHANGED RELATIONSHIPS



I'M HURT OR WOUNDED OR LET-DOWN IN SOME WAY.



I DIE TO BEING RIGHT OR GETTING EVEN - OUT OF LOVE AND GRATITUDE TO CHRIST



RELATIONSHIP IS RESTORED BECAUSE I PAY THE PRICE - NOT OUT OF MY GOODNESS BUT OUT OF GOD'S GRACE



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# CALLED TO BE AMBASSADORS OF CHRIST

Our work is a collaboration with God in bringing every part of creation back into right relationship with him.

In every **PLACE**

In every **INDUSTRY**

In every **WORKPLACE**

In every **JOB**

In every **TASK**

That make up every sphere of society.



*“For the creation was subjected to frustration, not by its own choice, but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be liberated from its bondage to decay and brought into the glorious freedom of the children of God.”*

Romans 8:20-21

# HOW THEN SHALL WE LIVE?

*Wash! Make yourselves clean! Remove  
your evil practice from before my eyes!  
Give up all wrong-doing!*

*Learn well-doing!*

*Seek judgment!*

*Reform the oppressor!*

*Deal justly with the orphan!*

*Take up the case of the widow!*

Isaiah 1:16-17



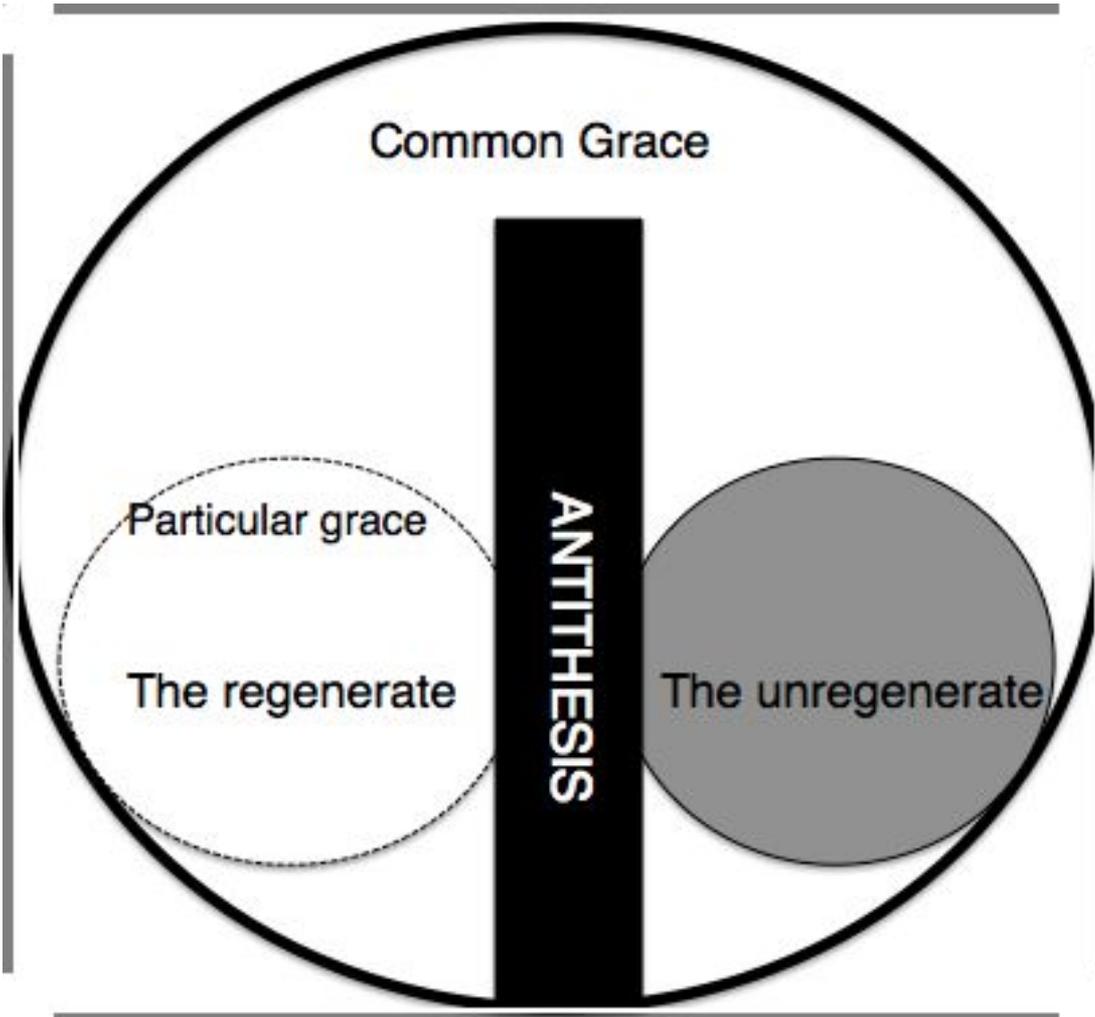


Abraham Kuyper

## COMMON GRACE

*Common Grace is often considered Kuyper's crowning work - an exploration of how God expresses grace even to the unsaved. He firmly believed that though many people in the world will remain unconverted, God's grace is still shown to the world as a whole.*

# COMMON GRACE



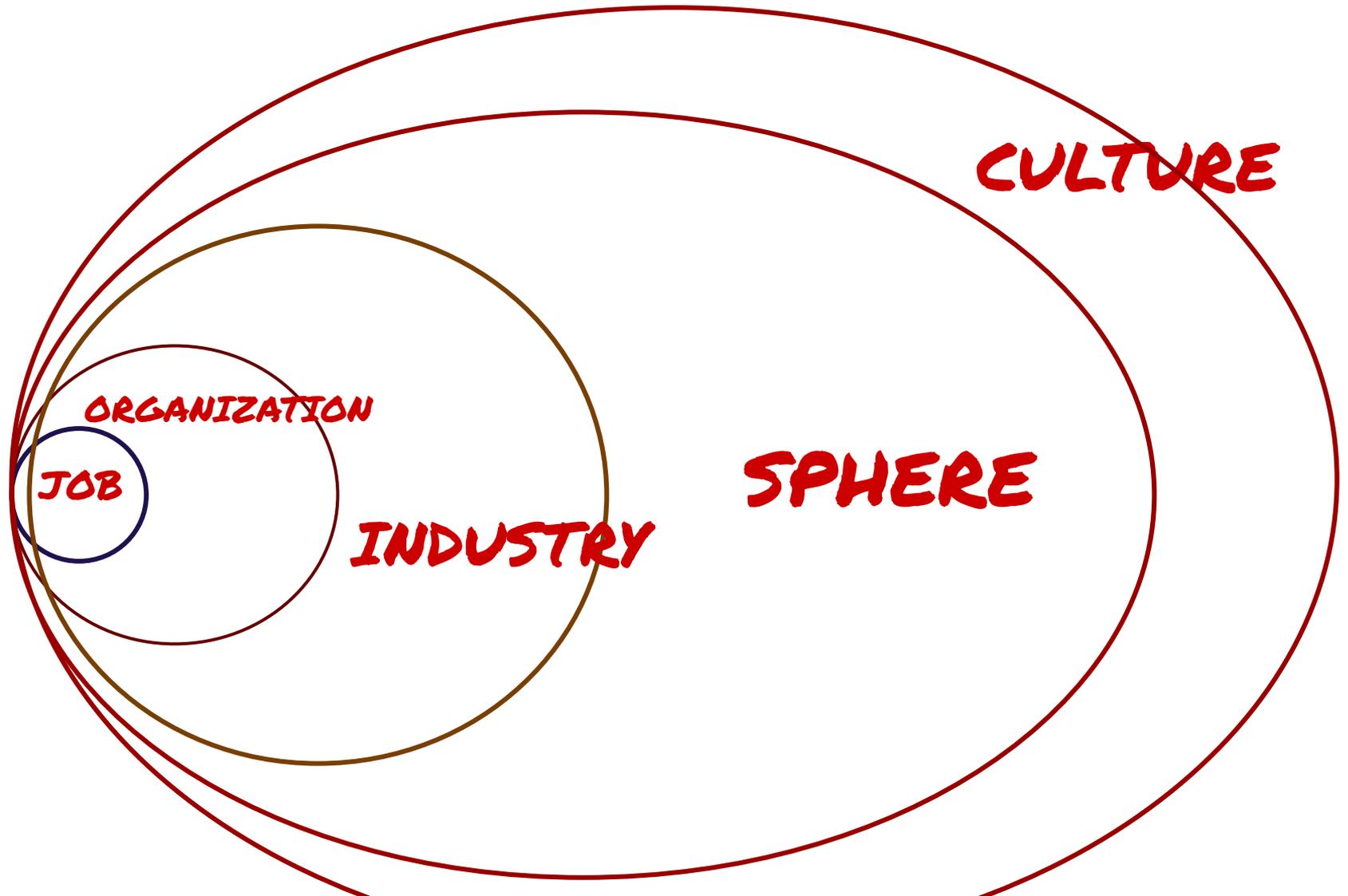
*Let us, accordingly, learn by their [natural men] example how many gifts the Lord left to human nature even after it was despoiled of its true good.*

John Calvin

*Believers are never as good as our “right world view” should make us and unbelievers are never as messed up as their false world view should make them. The difference between believers and non-believers across the board is often not striking. One of the reasons is, of course, sin -- but the other reason is grace.*

Tim Keller, 2003

# WORK TRANSFORMATION



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