

A photograph of a flock of sheep in a green field. The sheep are of various breeds, with some having thick, curly wool and others being more shorn. They are standing in a line, looking towards the camera. The background shows a line of trees and a clear sky. The text 'RELATIONAL EVANGELISM' is overlaid in large, white, bold, sans-serif capital letters, centered horizontally. Two thin white horizontal lines frame the text, one above and one below.

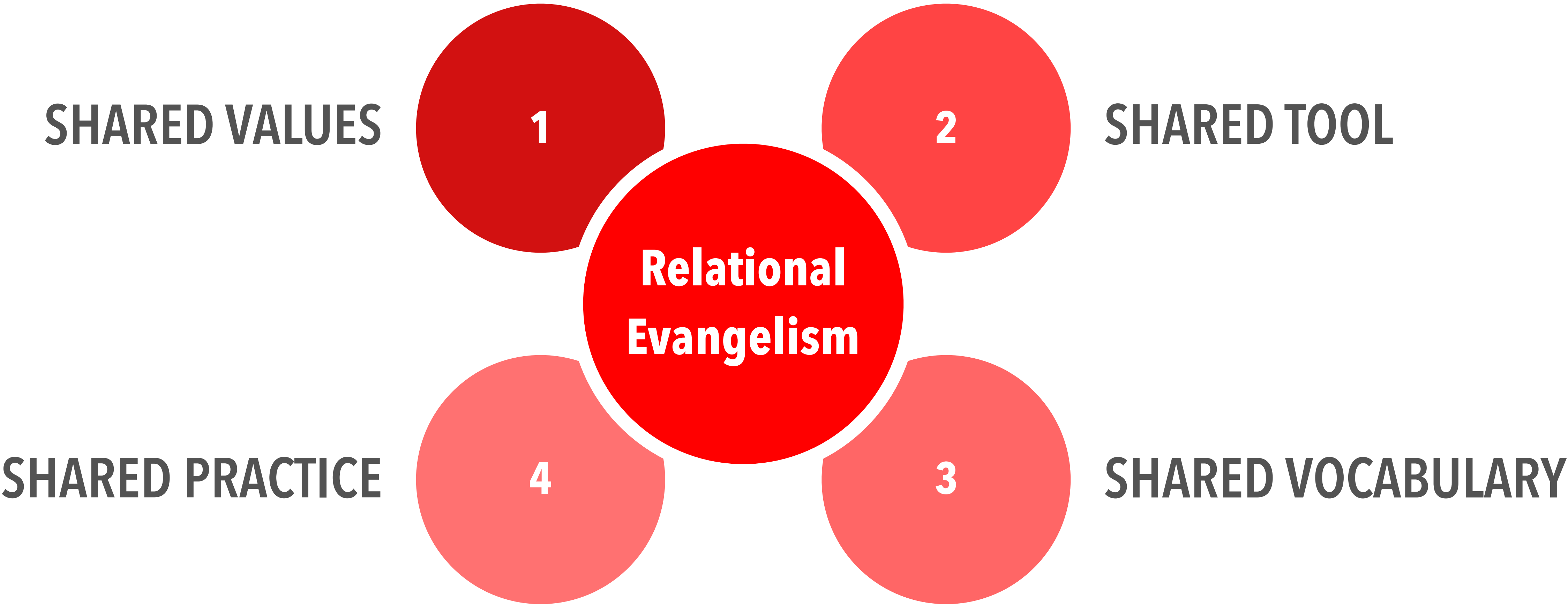
# RELATIONAL EVANGELISM





**Apprehensive**





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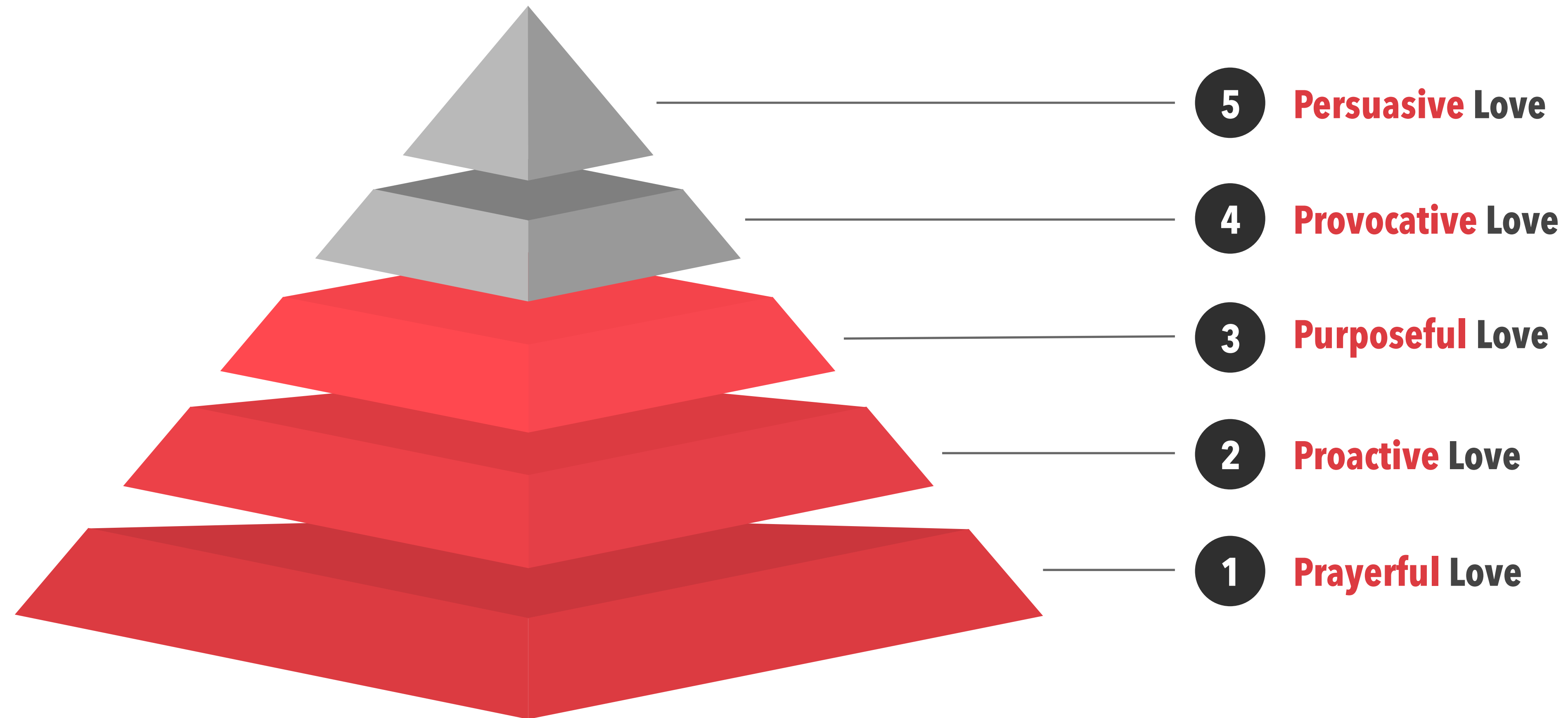
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# THE LAYERS OF RELATIONAL EVANGELISM

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# PRAYERFUL LOVE

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"Be Devoted" Or "Cling"  
**Imperative**

**Prayer**

**Thanksgiving**

**Gratitude**  
Hope  
Renewal

**Being Watchful**

**Alert**  
Real Time  
Specific

**"Continue steadfastly in prayer,  
being watchful in it with  
thanksgiving." (v.2)**





**Health Indicators**



**Are You Regularly Praying For “Outsiders” (specific & real time)?**

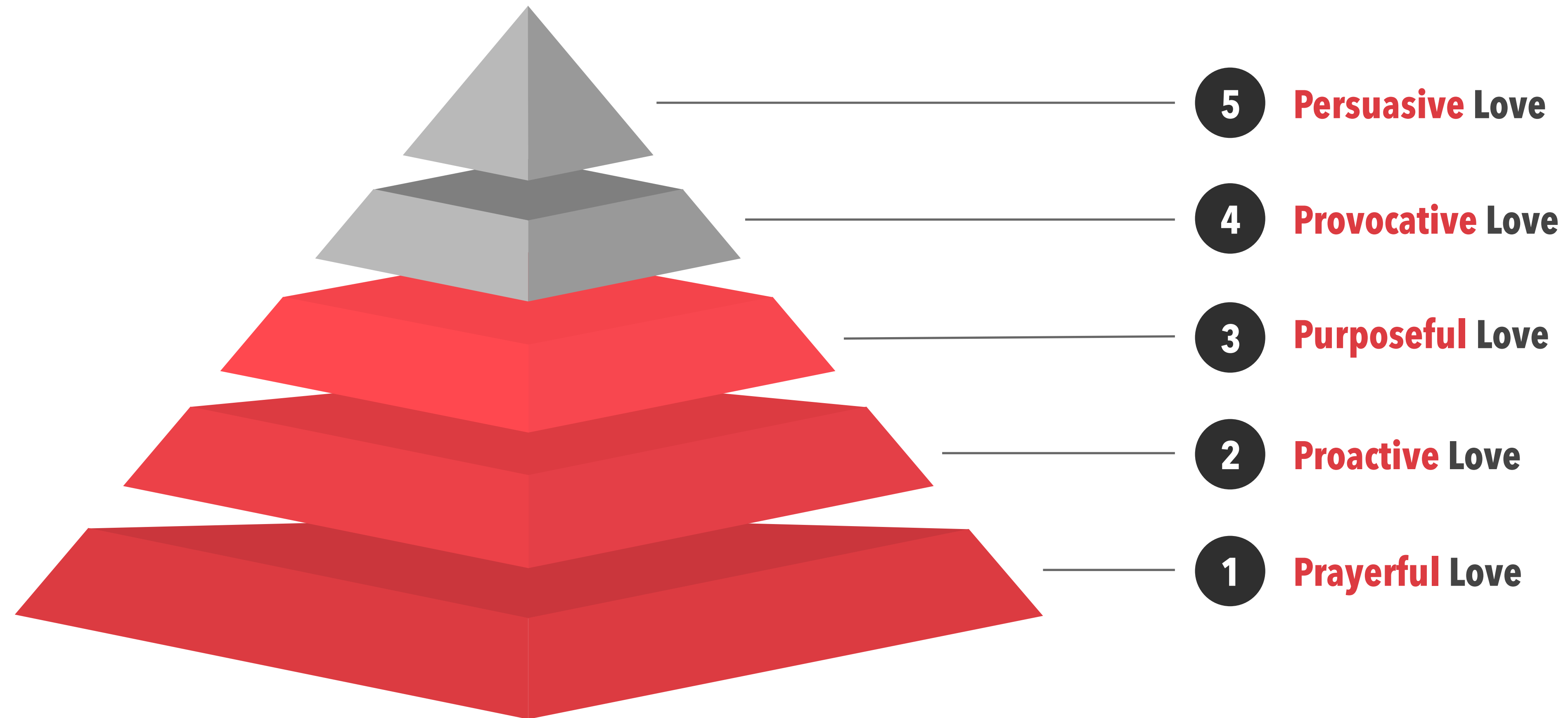


# Next Steps



**What is your tool for regular prayer for outsiders?**





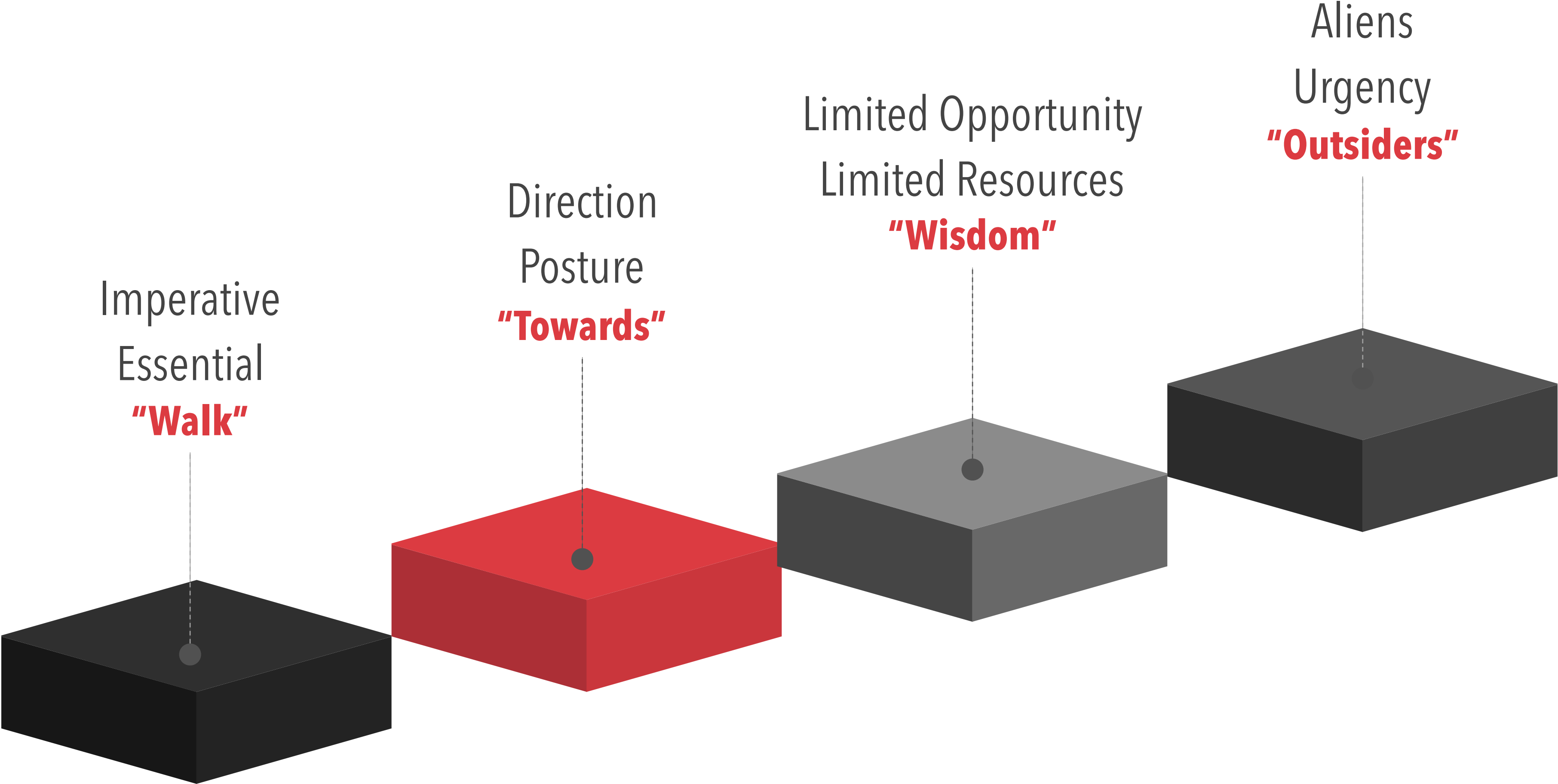


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# PROACTIVE LOVE

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"Walk in wisdom toward outsiders"



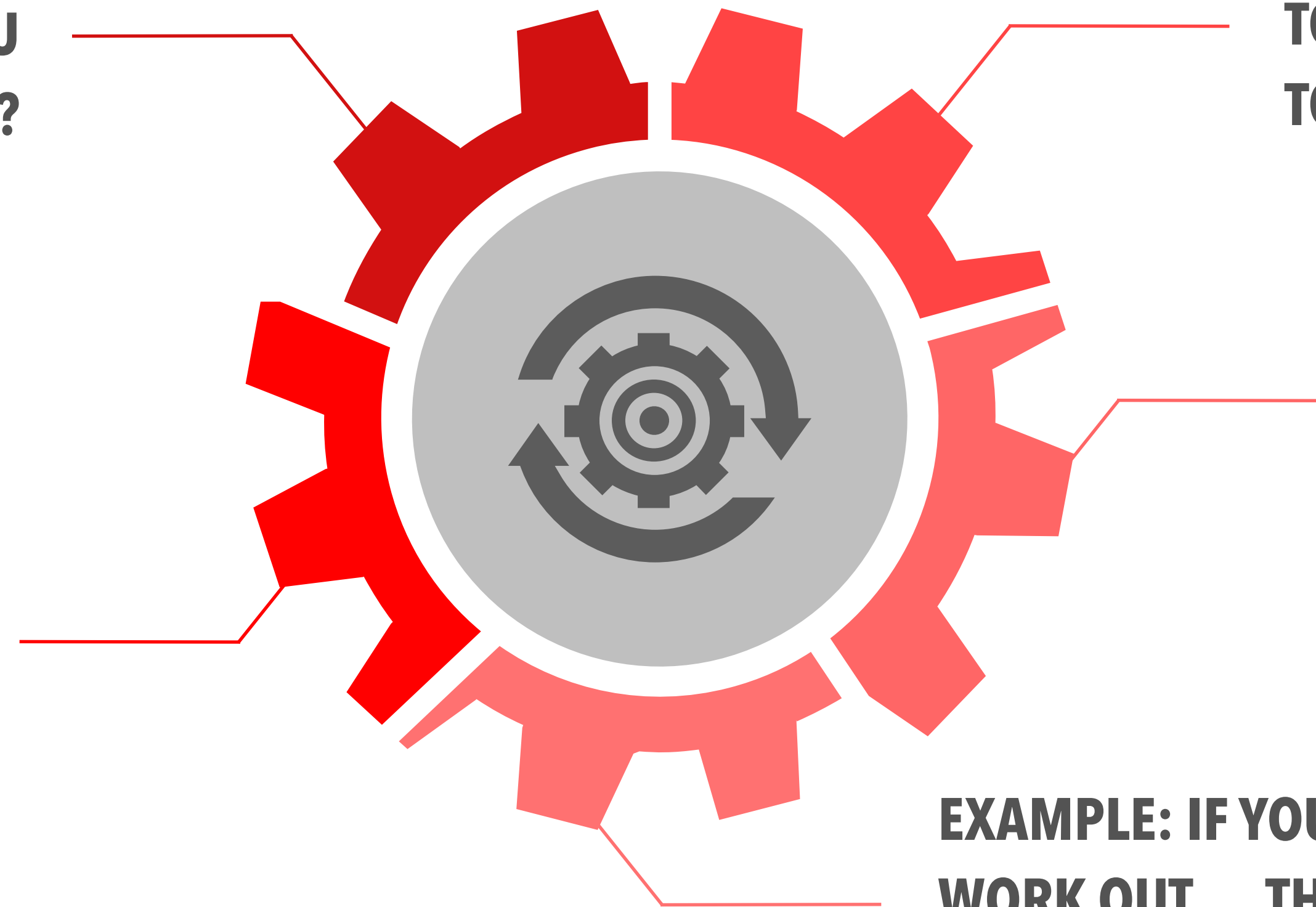
**WHERE COULD YOUR "WALKING"  
LINE UP WITH THINGS YOU  
ALREADY ENJOY DOING?**

**WHAT WILL YOU NOT "WALK"  
TOWARDS TO BETTER "WALK"  
TOWARDS OUTSIDERS?**

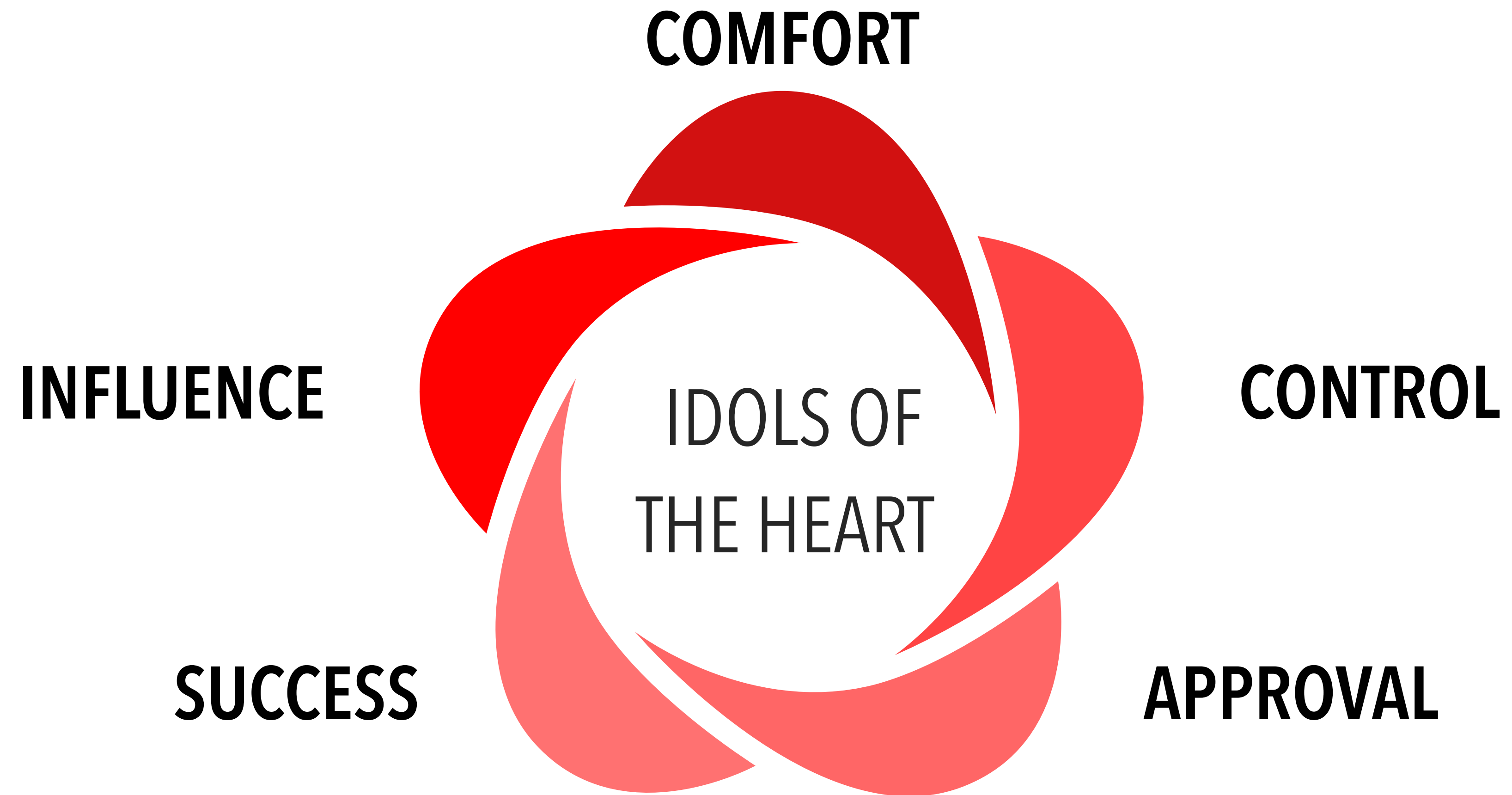
**WHERE ARE YOU ALREADY  
AROUND "OUTSIDERS"?**

**WHAT CAN YOU  
REALISTICALLY HANDLE?**

**EXAMPLE: IF YOU ARE GOING TO  
WORK OUT ... THEN WHERE, WHEN,  
HOW, AND WITH WHOM?**











**Health Indicators**



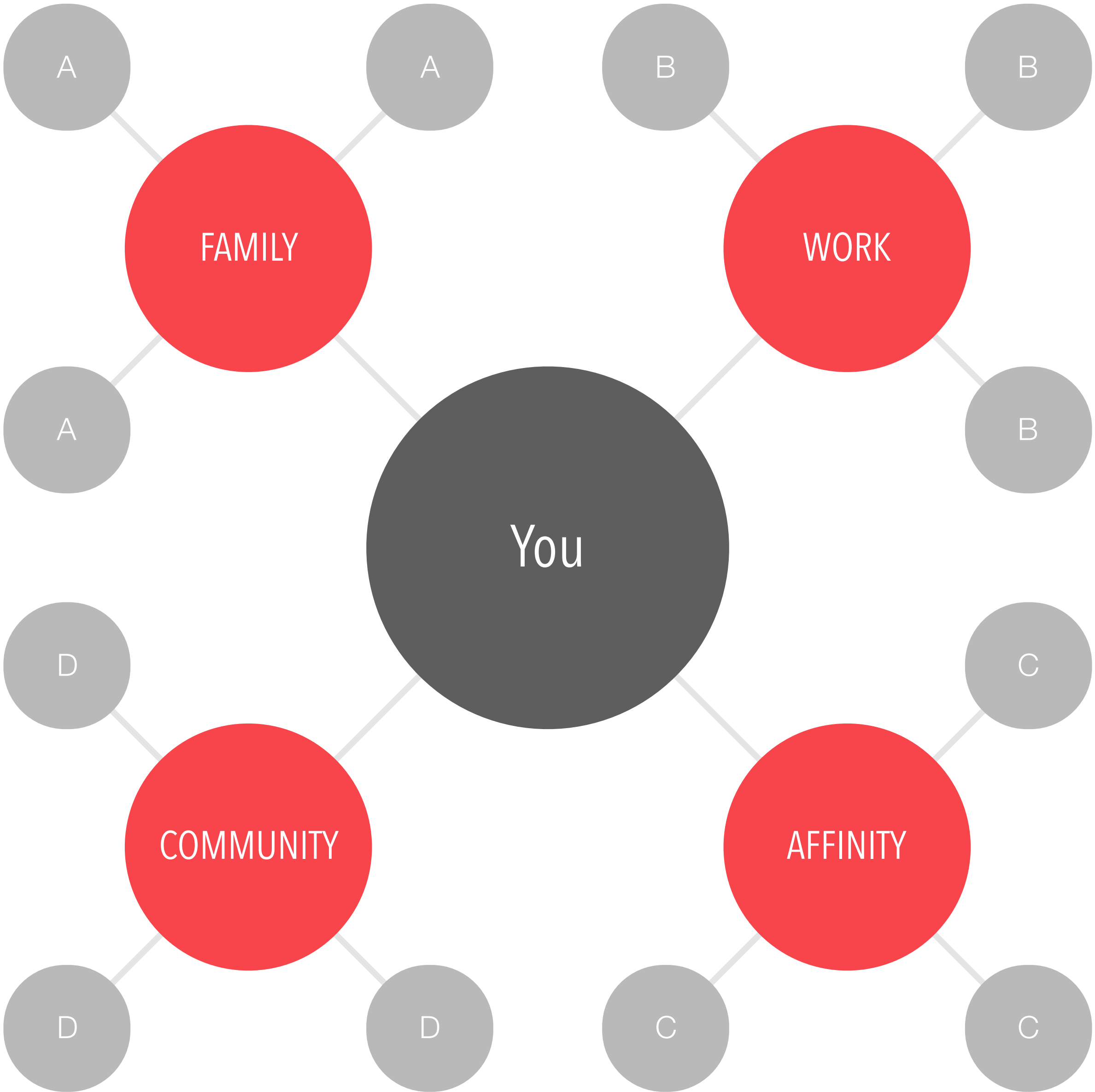
**Are the “Outsiders” you are moving towards  
starting to move towards you?**



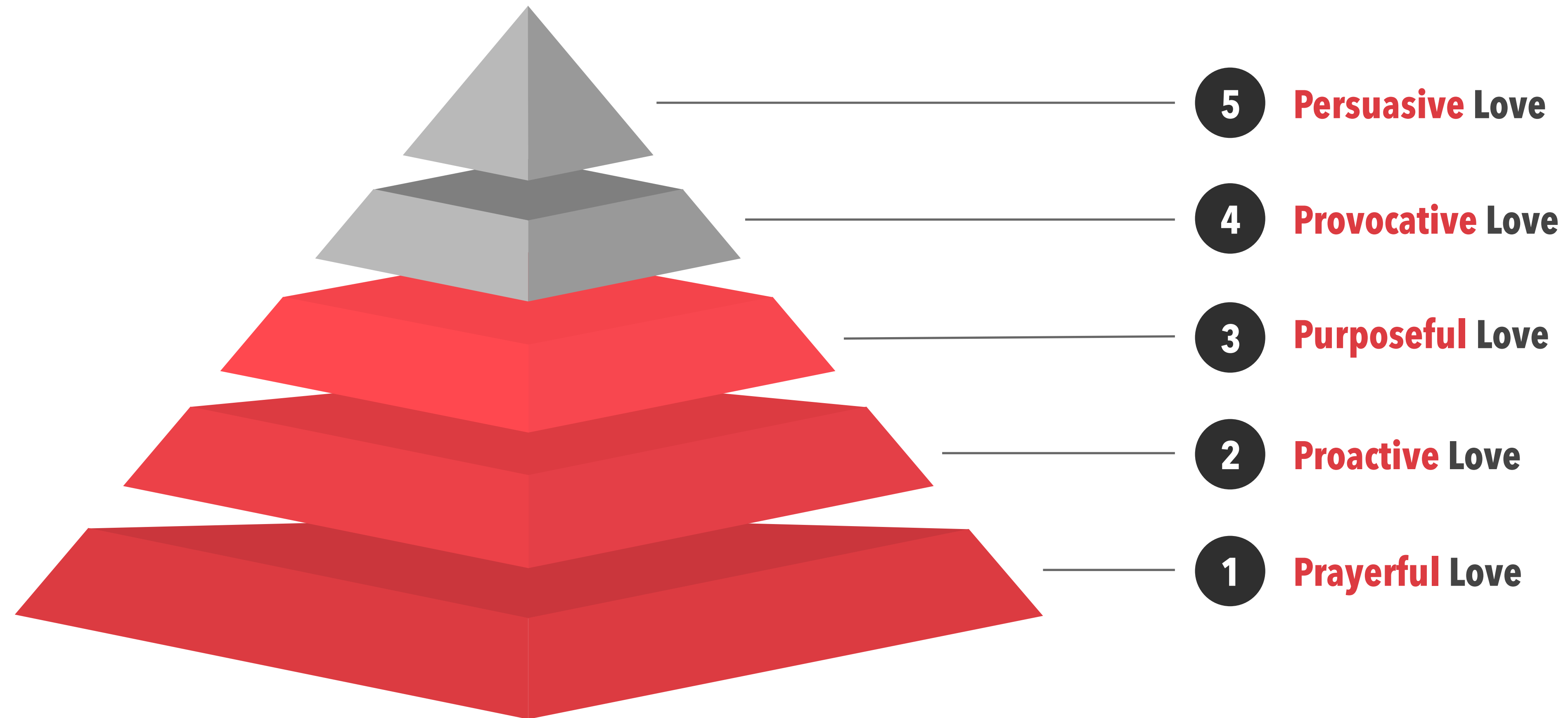
# Next Steps



NEXT STEP: WHOM MIGHT YOU MOVE TOWARDS MORE CONSISTENTLY?









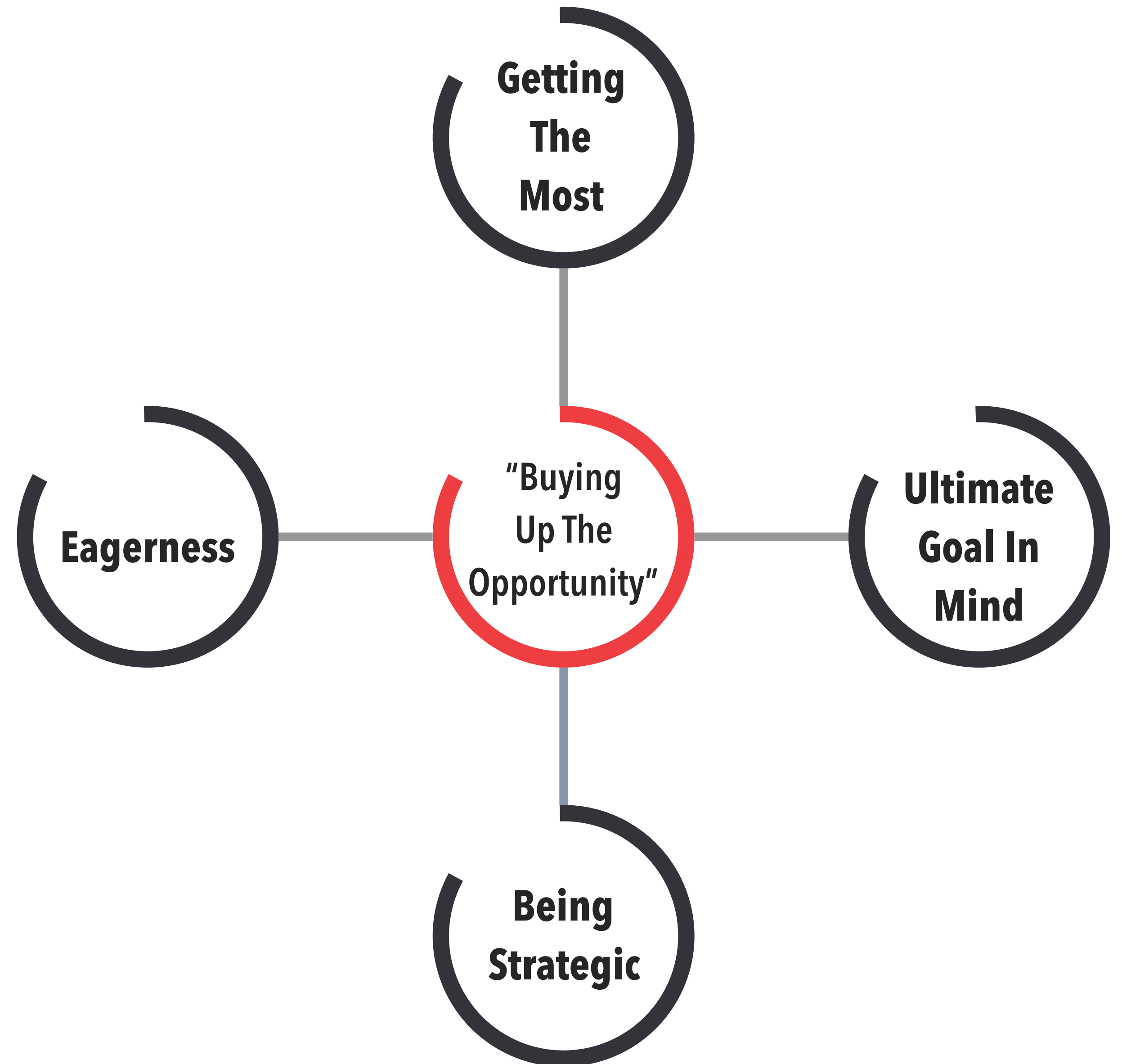
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# PURPOSEFUL LOVE

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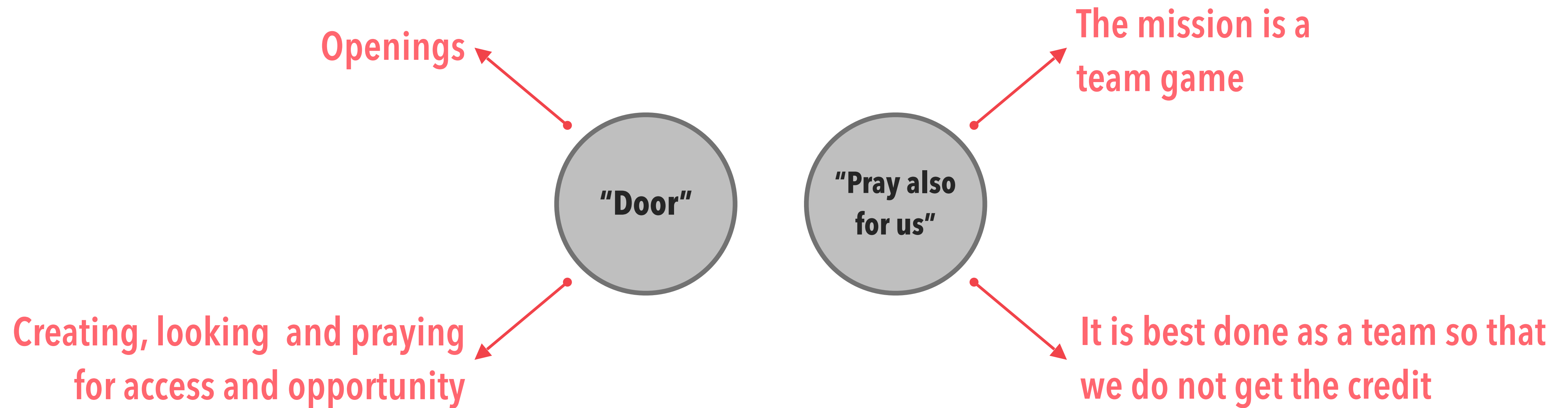


**"Making the best  
use of the time" (v.5)**





**"At the same time, pray also for us, that God may open to us a door for the word" (v.3)**







**Health Indicators**



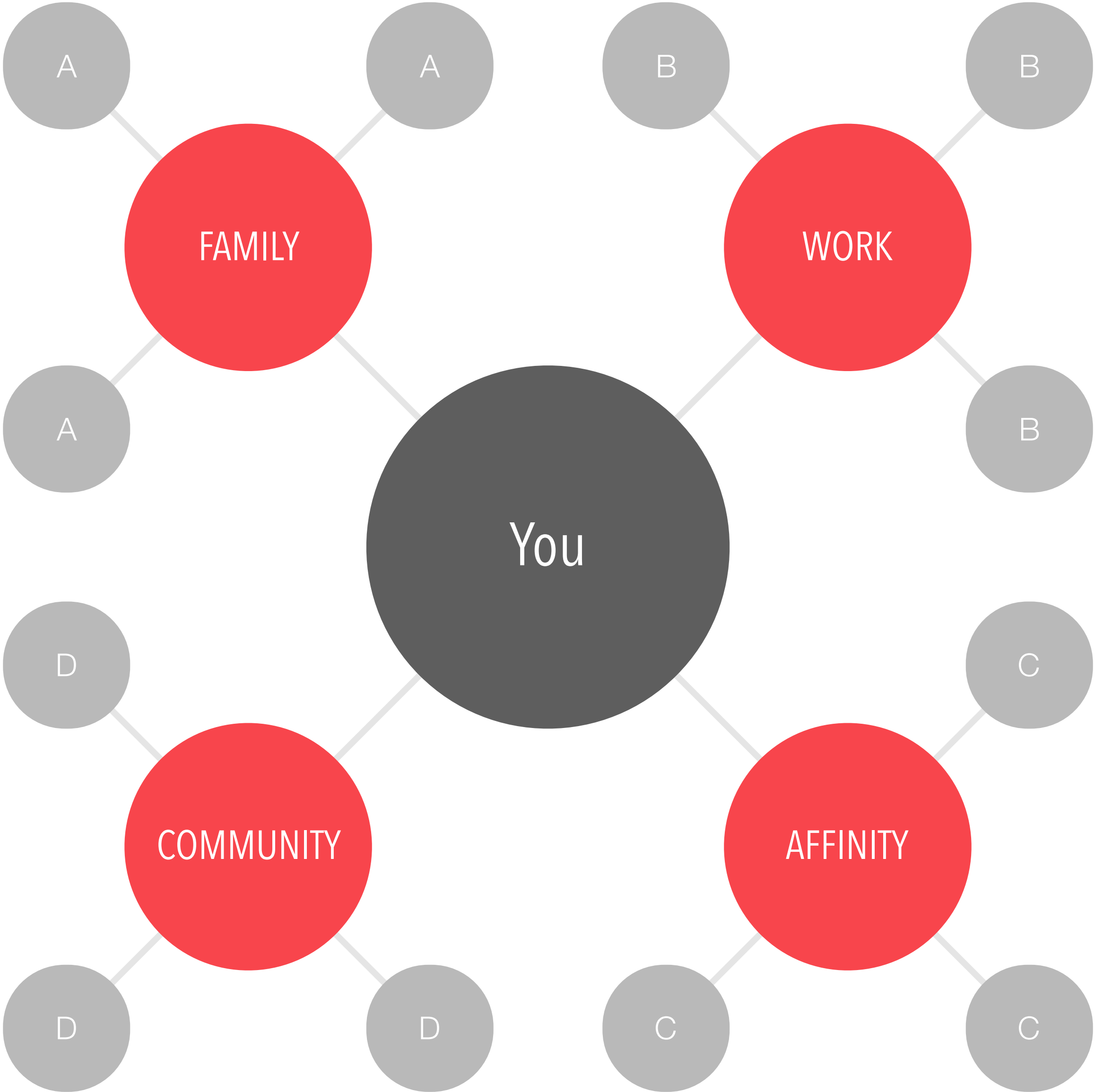
**Are “Outsiders” Engaged With You?**  
**Are the “Outsiders” in your life starting  
to regularly engage you?**



# Next Steps



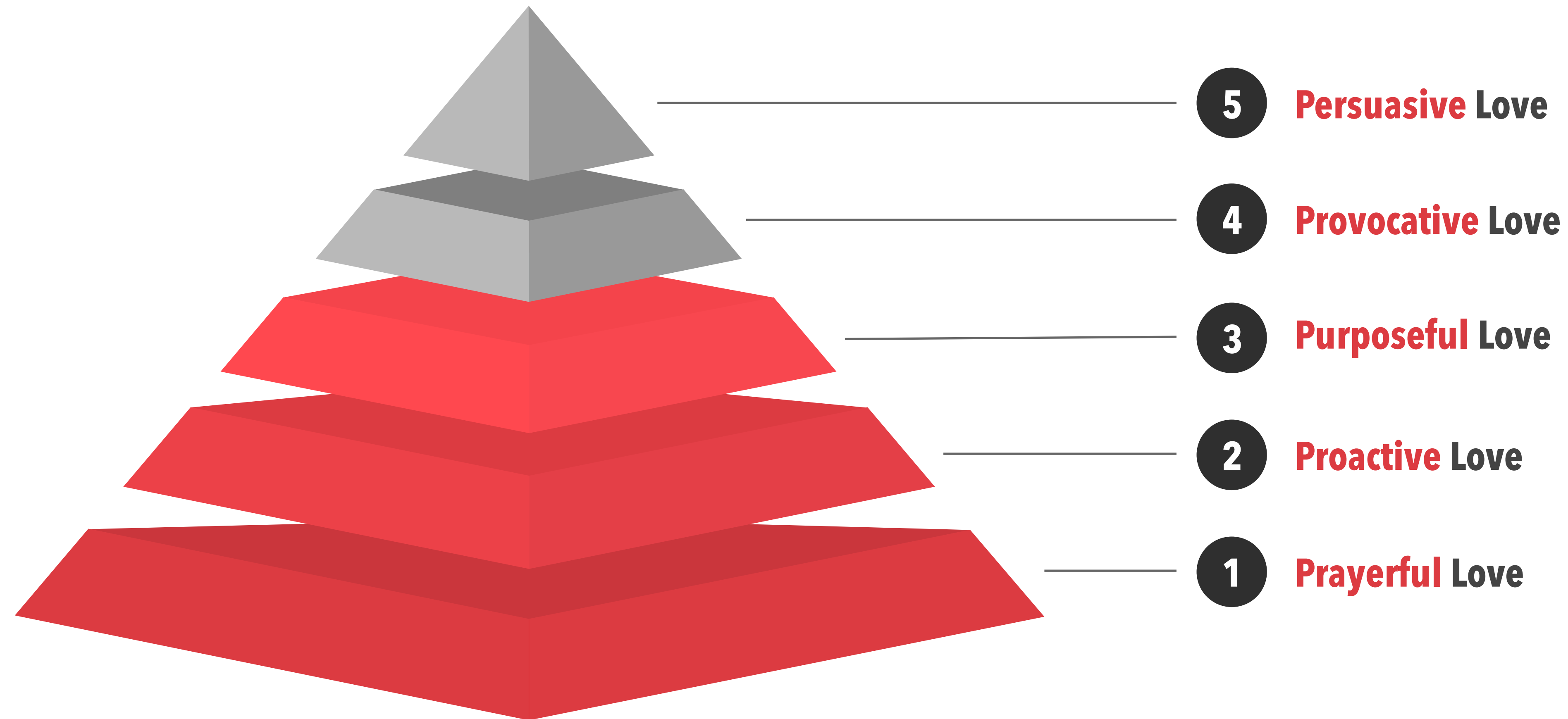
NEXT STEP: WHAT IS YOUR PLAN TO BUILD A FEW OF THESE FRIENDSHIPS?





# THE LAYERS OF RELATIONAL EVANGELISM

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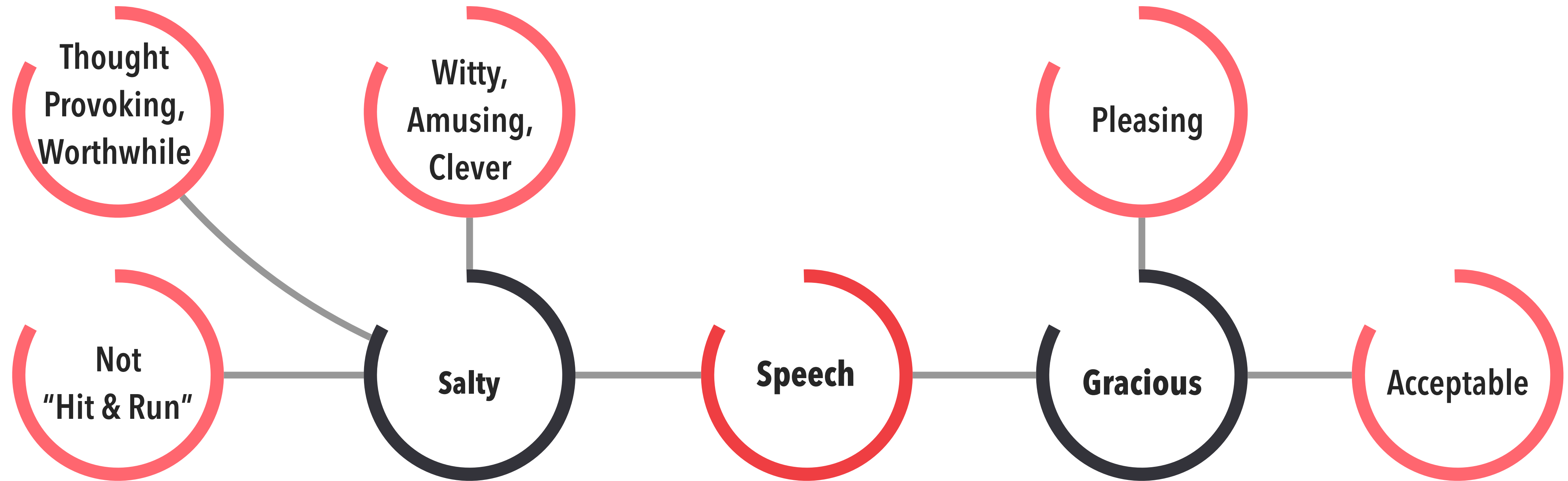


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# PROVOCATIVE LOVE

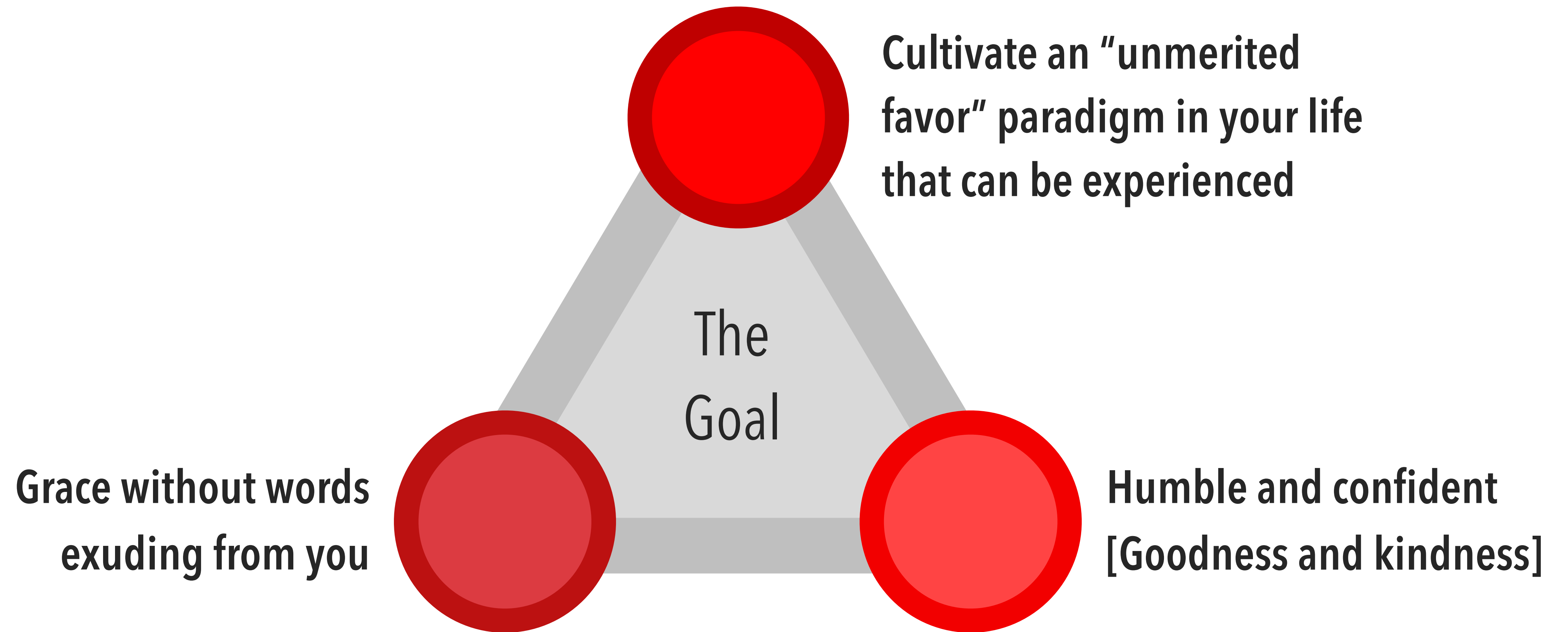
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**"Let your speech always be gracious, seasoned with salt" (v.6)**









**Health Indicators**



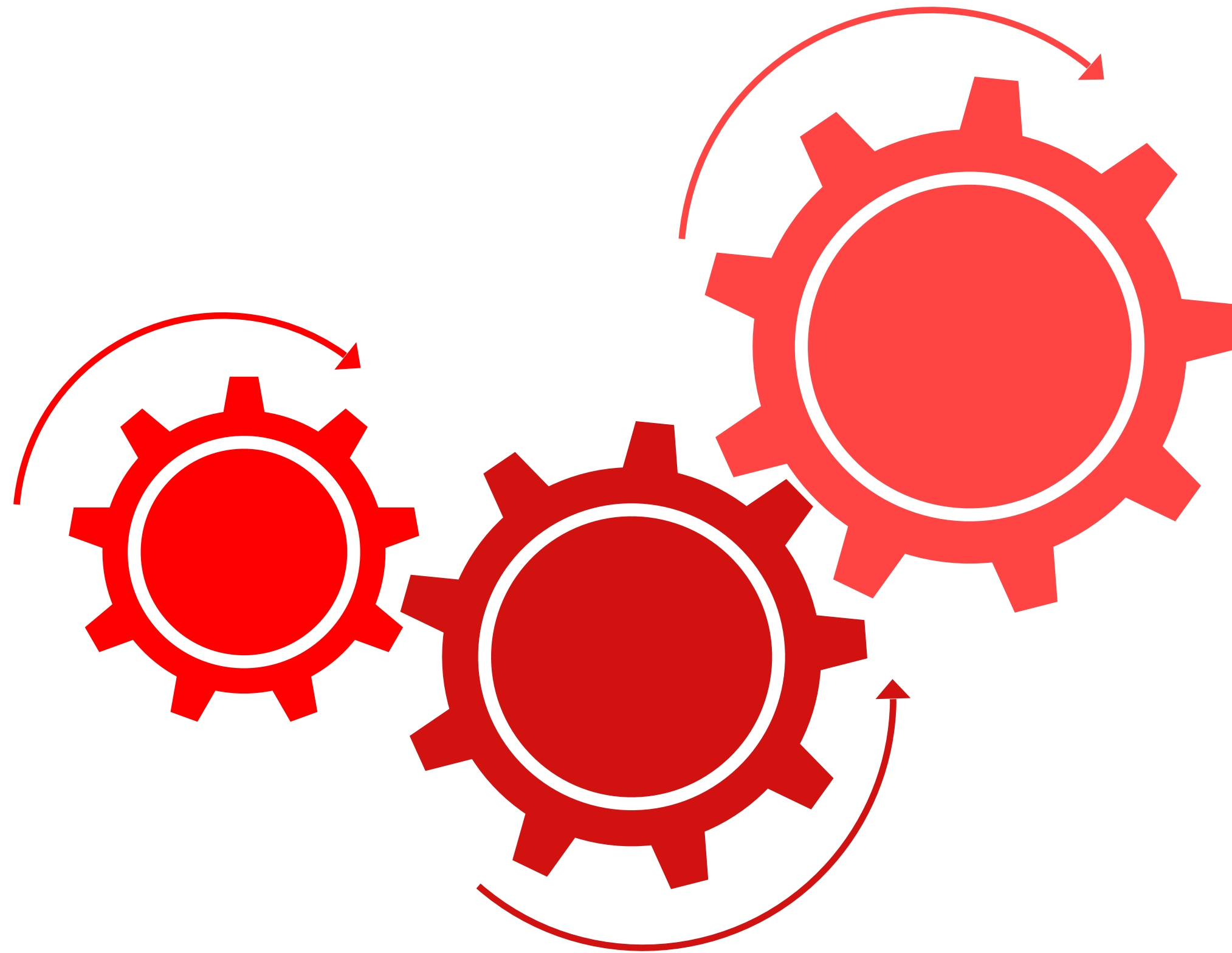
**Are "Outsiders" Interested In The Gospel?**  
**Are the "Outsiders" in your life asking questions**  
**about Christ and Christ in you? Why not?**



# Next Steps



# NEXT STEP: WHAT IS YOUR PLAN TO GROW IN GRACE?



## Step One

What's your plan for cultivating renewal dynamics in your life?



## Step Two

How can you skillfully "repent" and "believe in front of your friends?"

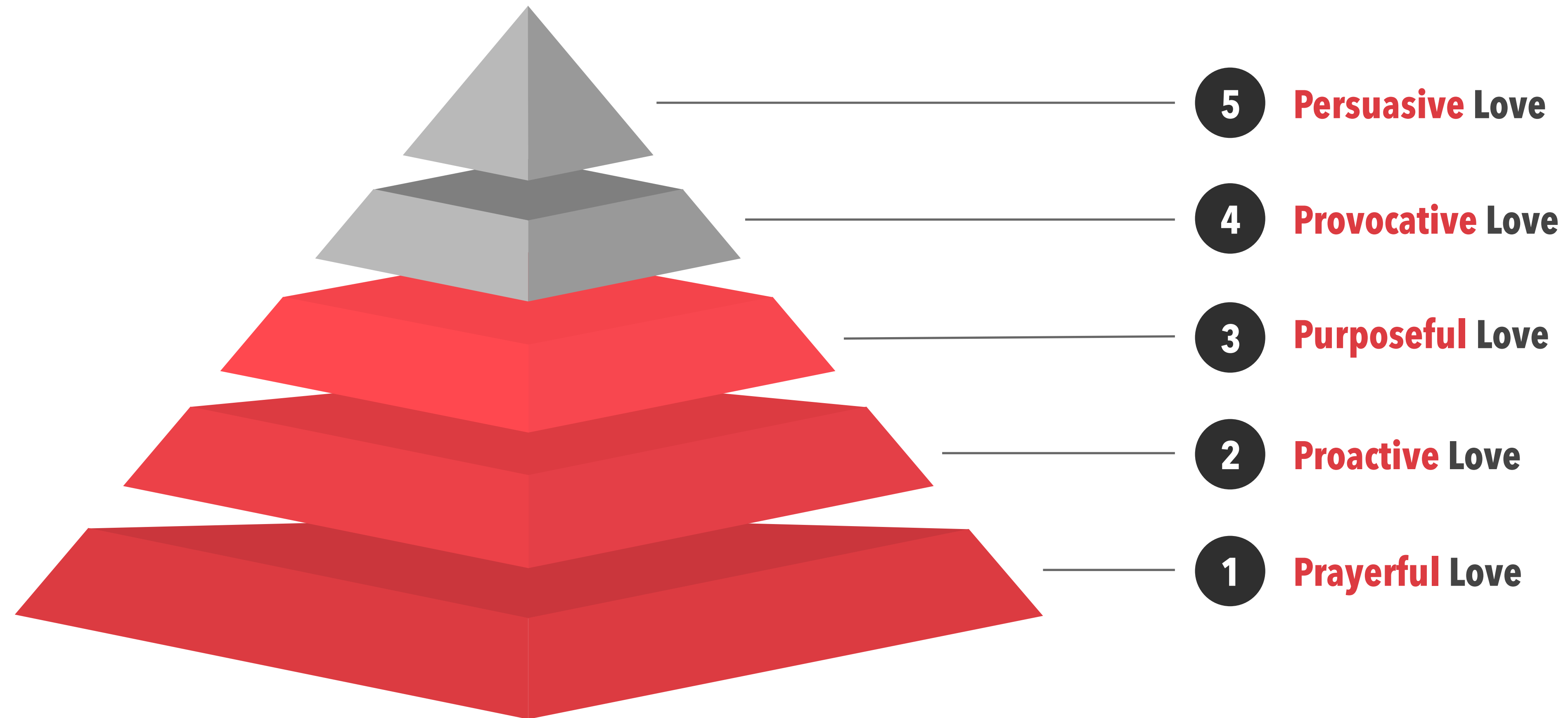


## Step Three

What would be specifically "salty" for the outsiders God has given you?









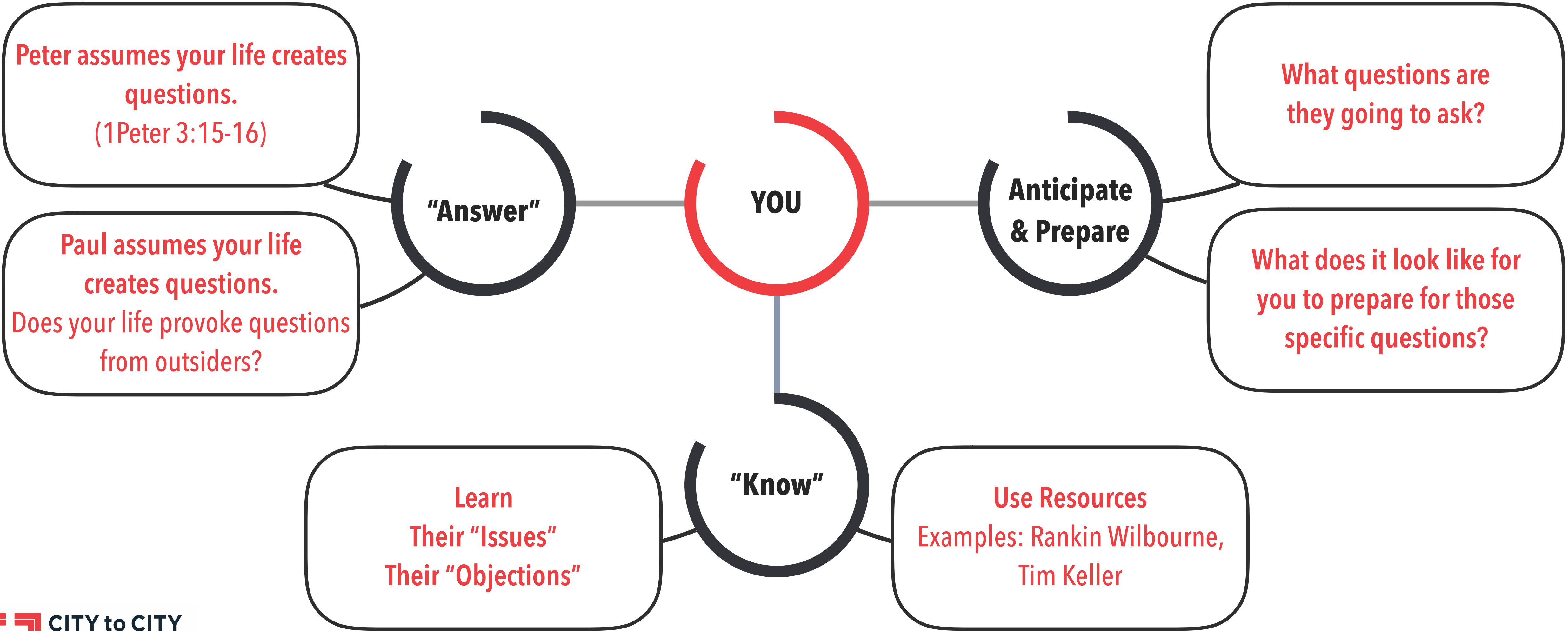
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# PERSUASIVE LOVE

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# "So that you may know how you ought to answer each person" (v.6)

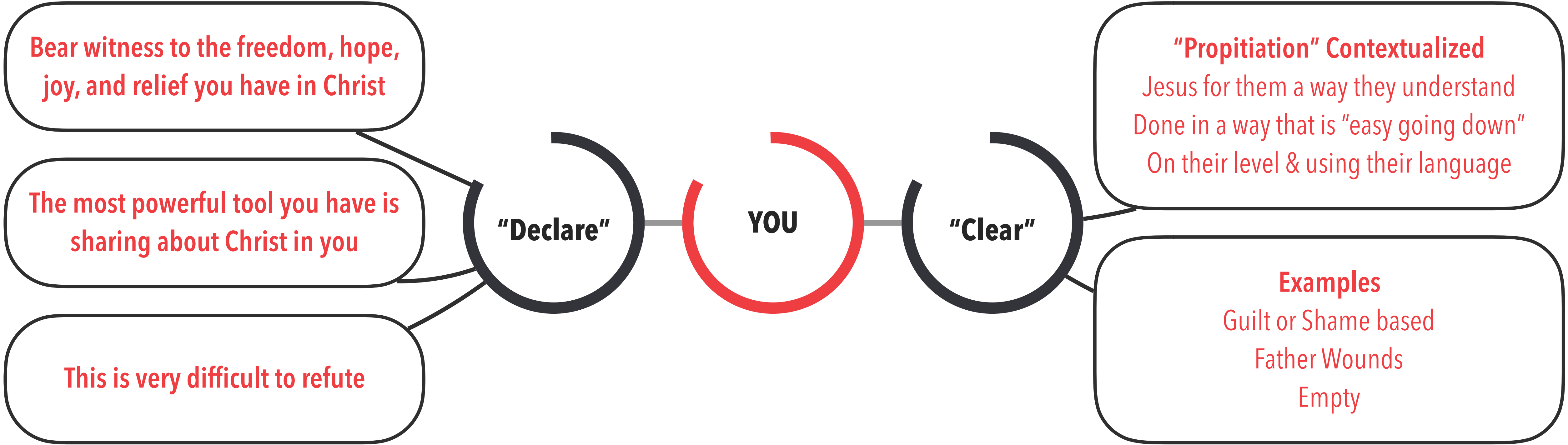




**"But <sup>g</sup>in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, <sup>h</sup>always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect, <sup>i</sup>having a good conscience, so that, <sup>k</sup>when you are slandered, those who revile your good behavior in Christ may be put to shame."**



“To declare the mystery of Christ ... that I may make it clear, which is how I ought to speak.” (v.3,4)







**Health Indicators**



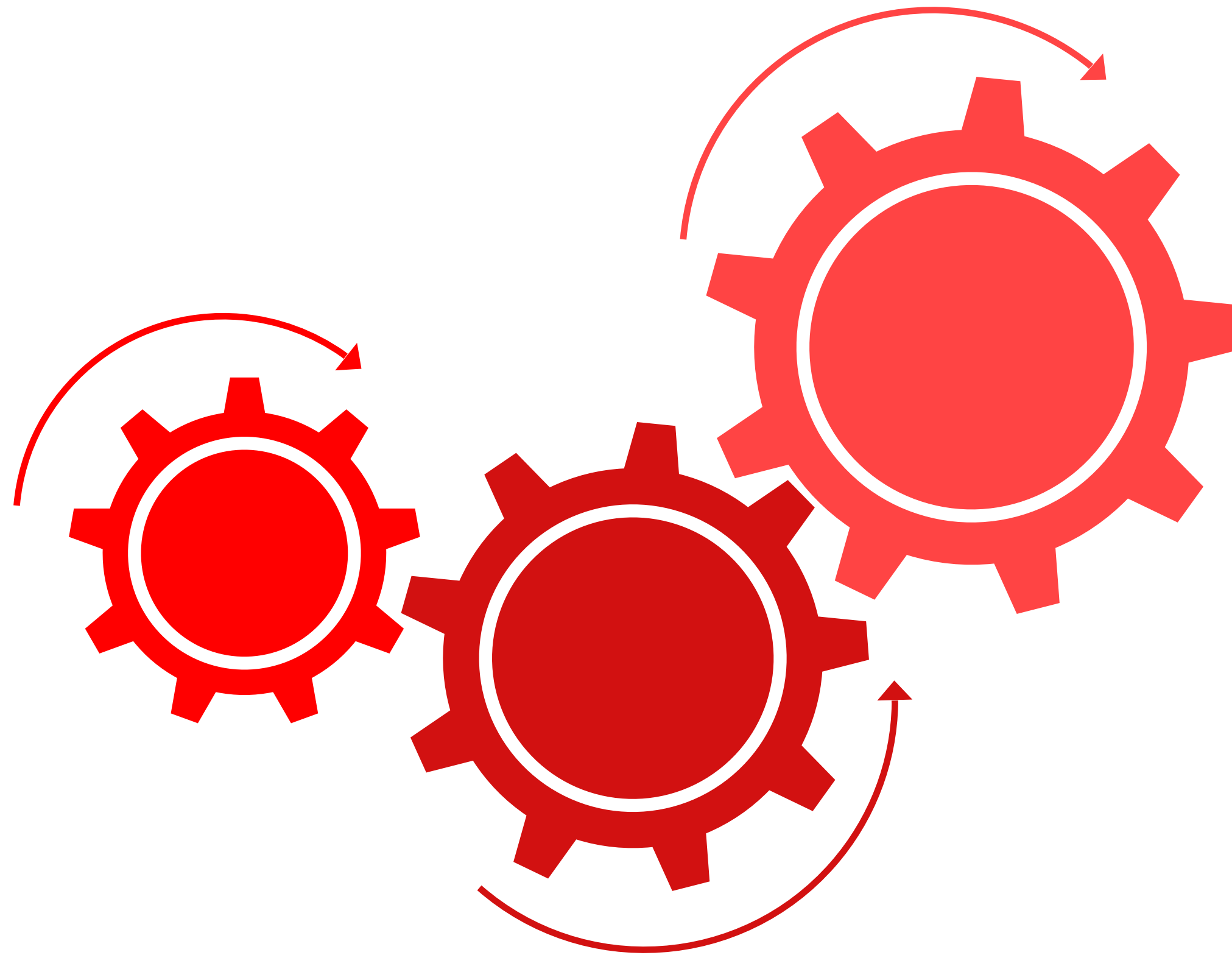
**Are “Outsiders” Engaged With The Gospel?**  
**Are the “Outsiders” in your life engaged in  
dialogue with you about the Gospel?**



# Next Steps



## NEXT STEP: WHAT IS YOUR PLAN TO BE READY?



### Step One

What conversation keeps coming up over and over?



### Step Two

What's the one issue for which you need to become a topic matter expert?



### Step Three

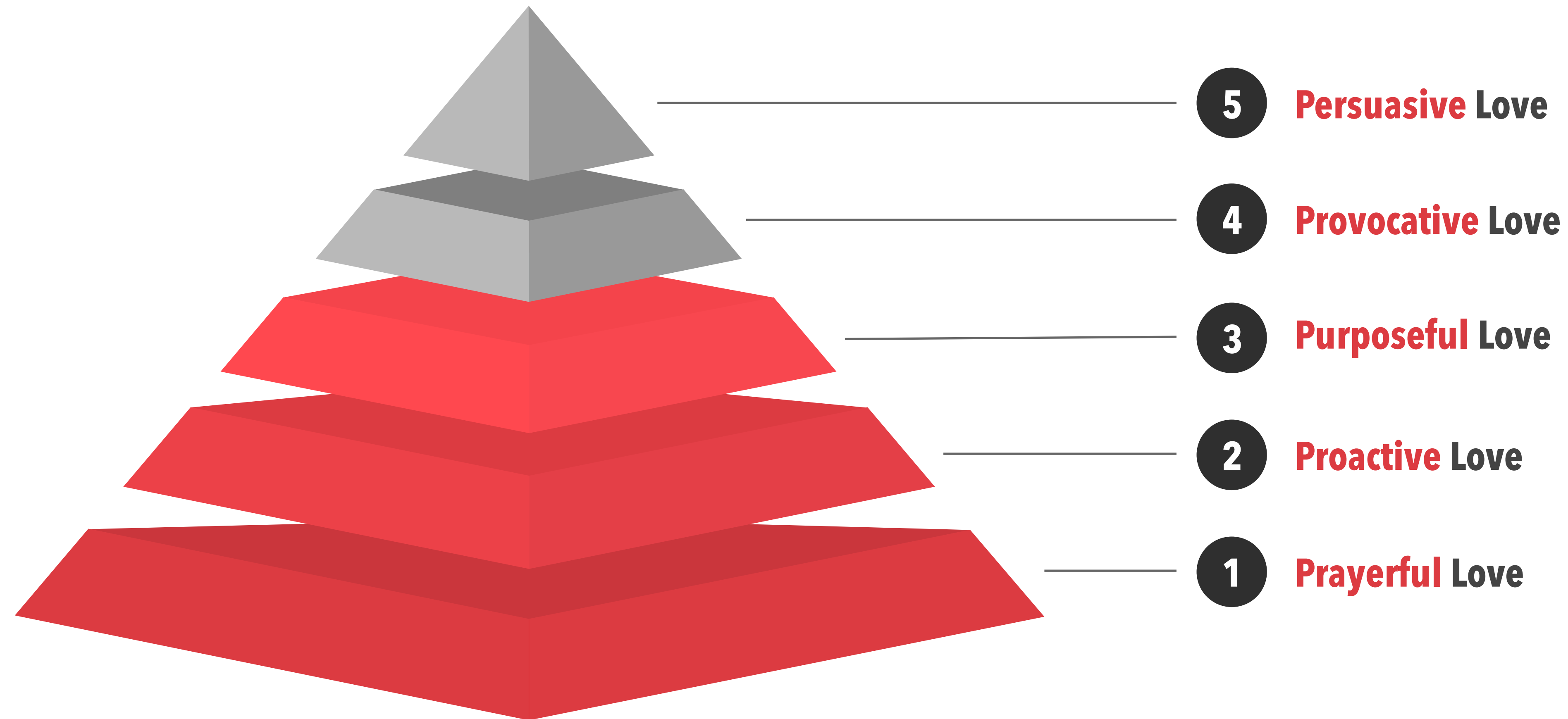
Who can help you think through how to 'contextualize' the gospel for your friend?





# WHAT WILL YOUR PICTURE & TOOL BE?

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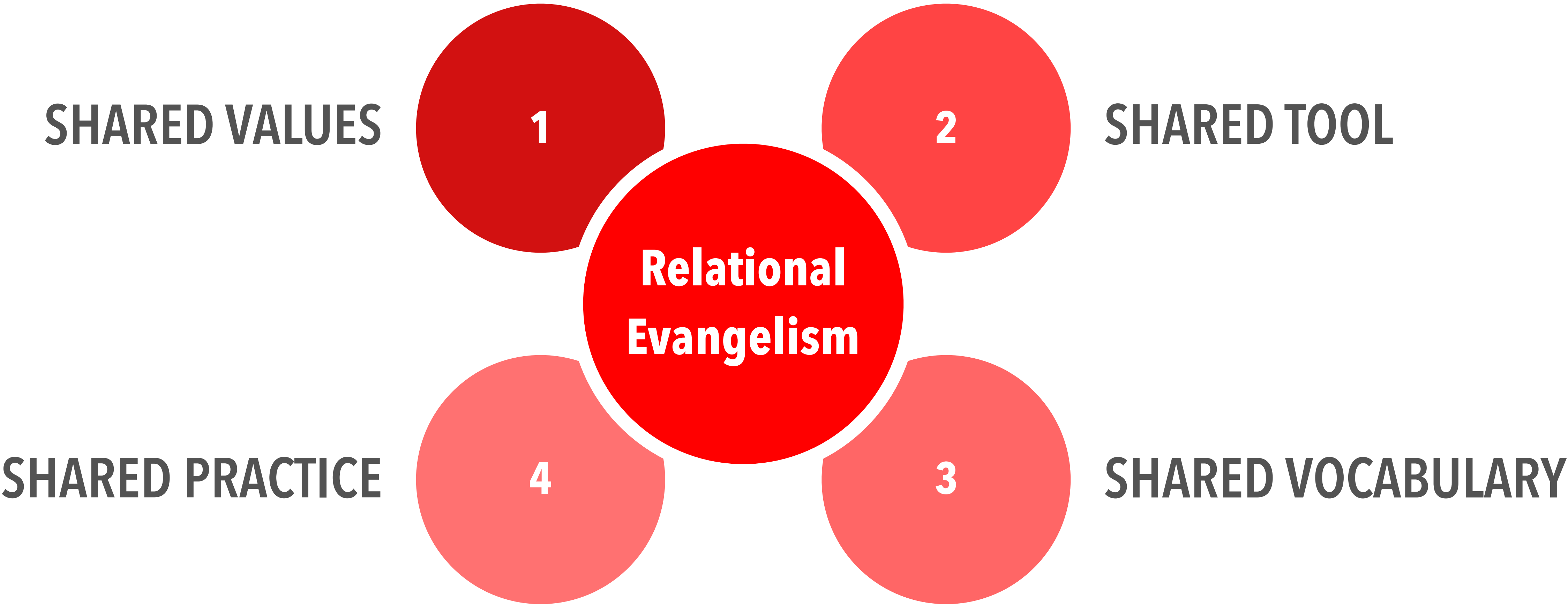


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# DISCUSSION

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# PRAYER

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A close-up photograph of two people's hands holding glasses of beer. The person on the left is wearing a blue and white striped shirt and has a small yellow object in their pocket. The person on the right is wearing a light blue shirt. The background is blurred, showing other people and what appears to be a social gathering. The text "THANK YOU" is overlaid in the center in a large, white, sans-serif font, flanked by two horizontal white lines.

**THANK YOU**