



Welcome to an Experience in Spiritual Formation

“Orienting our entire life around the relationship.”



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Check-In

- Share your **emotional weather** today
- What **one thing** this week made your relationship with God feel **personal**?

My Daily Mantra...

I woke up in the Kingdom this morning

an unceasing spiritual being with an eternal destiny in God's great universe



I breathe Kingdom air (LOVE)
I burn Kingdom fuel (GRACE)
I build Kingdom character
I do Kingdom work



A Kingdom life is a different life than most people waking up around me experience.

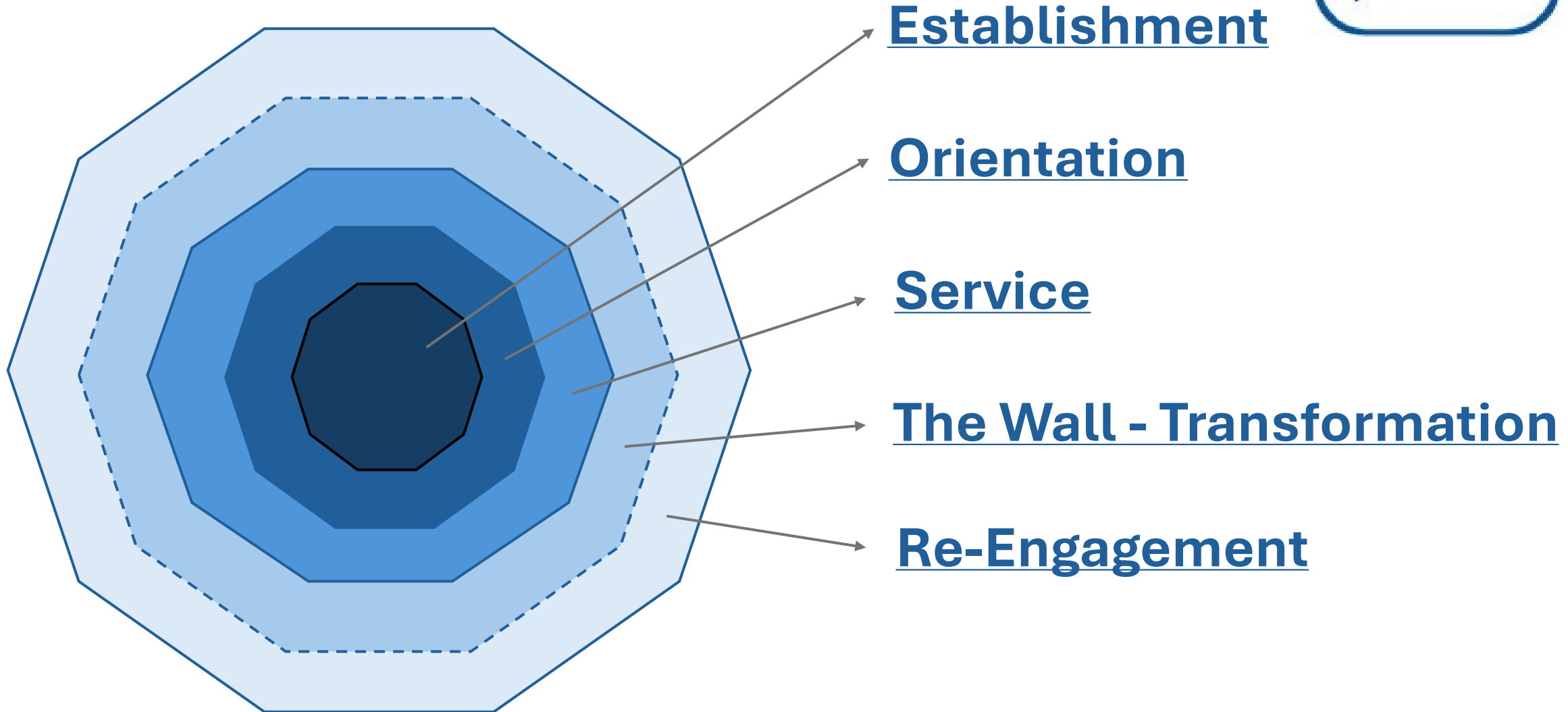
Kingdom Life



Wake up in the Kingdom, and walk the day the Kingdom way

- There is a Kingdom Way to do everything
- Exertion of my will indicates a Kingdom choice
- I am becoming on the inside a transformed person
- My character grows more Christlike every day

Relationship Journey - Following Jesus



Relationship Journey...

REVIEW



Parable of the Sower

Matthew 13:1-23

- Jesus teaching us to **orient our entire life** around **our relationship with Him**
- He is **constantly sowing seeds or messages** about the Kingdom
- The soils represent the **condition of our heart**
 - **Hard** heart, **shallow** heart, **crowded** heart, **receptive** heart
 - **Only the receptive heart** experienced **Kingdom life**

Parable of the Hidden Treasure and the Pearl

Matthew 13:44-46

- A message of the **supreme value** of the **Kingdom of God**
- Once you discover it, **you sell everything** to have it
- **Desire for Kingdom Life** creates a **compelling vision**
- But **not just to own it** - to **immerse** yourself in it and **experience** it all day, every day
- **Letting go** of something you **currently possess** to have something **far greater**

Relationship Journey...

ORIENTATION



Re-Orienting Your Life

Arranging everything around the Relationship

**There are multiple ways to improve
the quality and receptivity of your soil / heart.**

- ***Categories of your everyday life***
- ***Dimensions of your inner person***

Relationship Journey...

ORIENTATION



Get Real!

Individual Activity

**Re-Orienting Categories of Your
Everyday Life One at a Time**

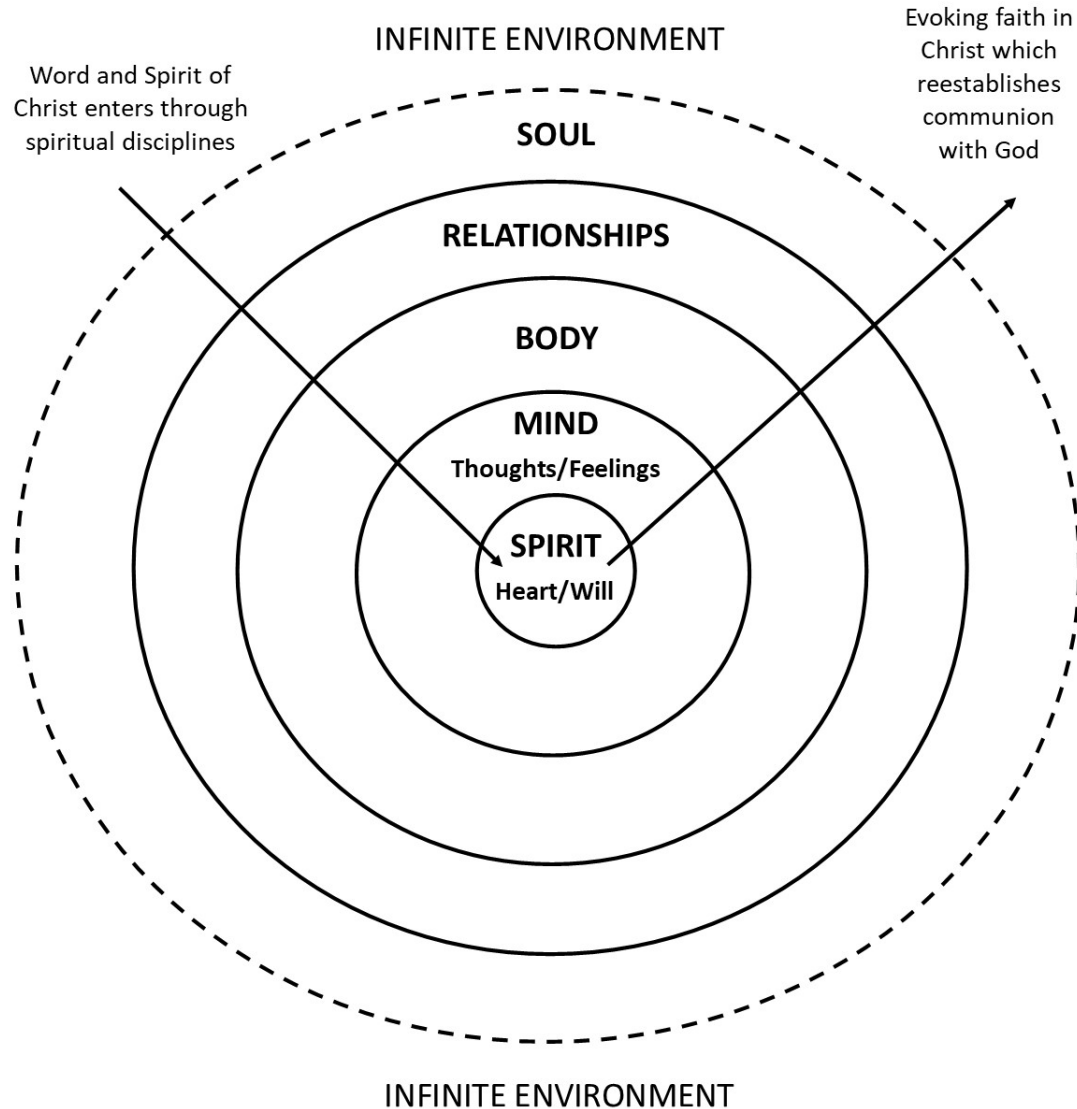


Dimensions *of your Inner Person*



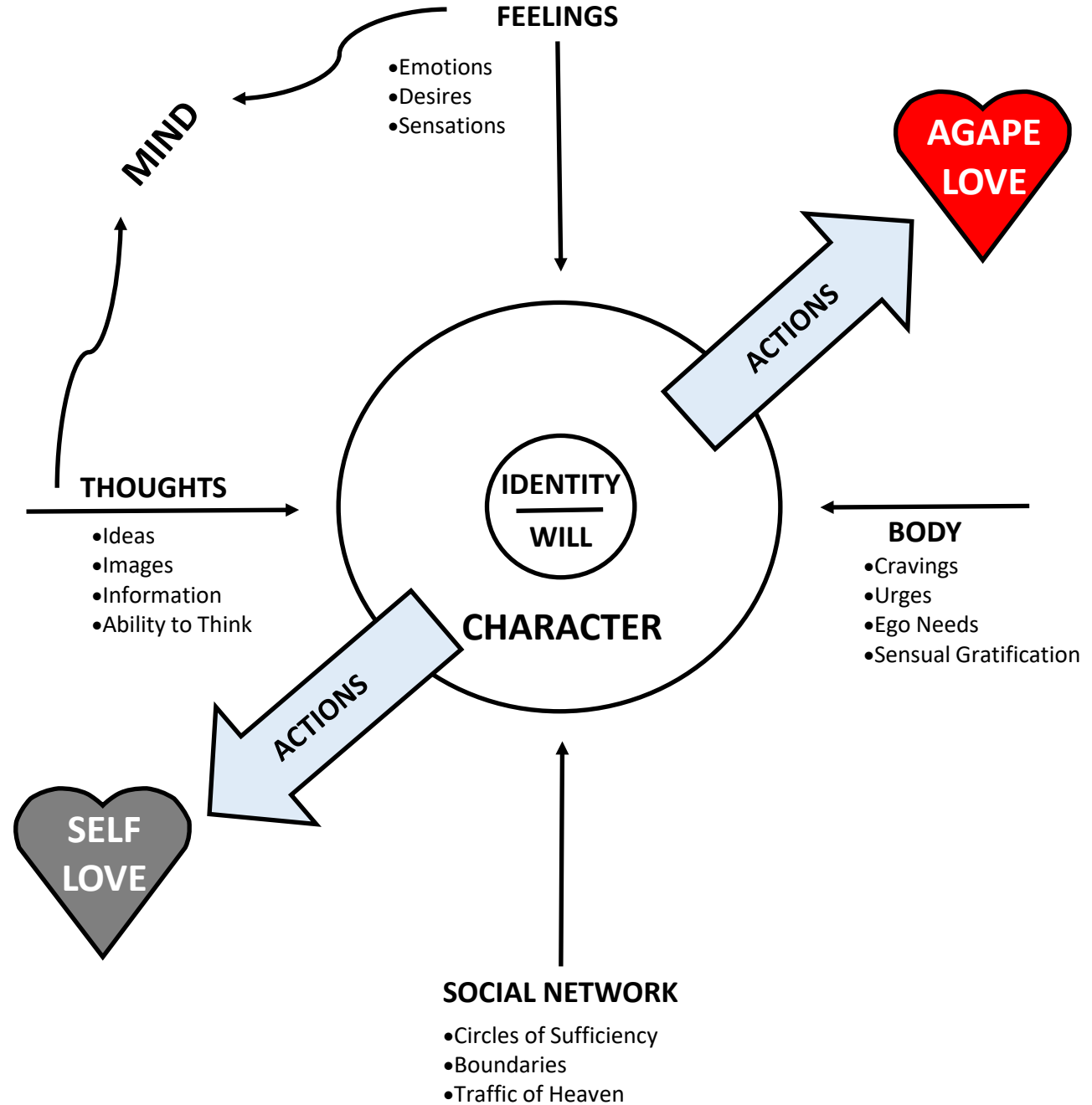
The Entire Human Self

The Whole Picture

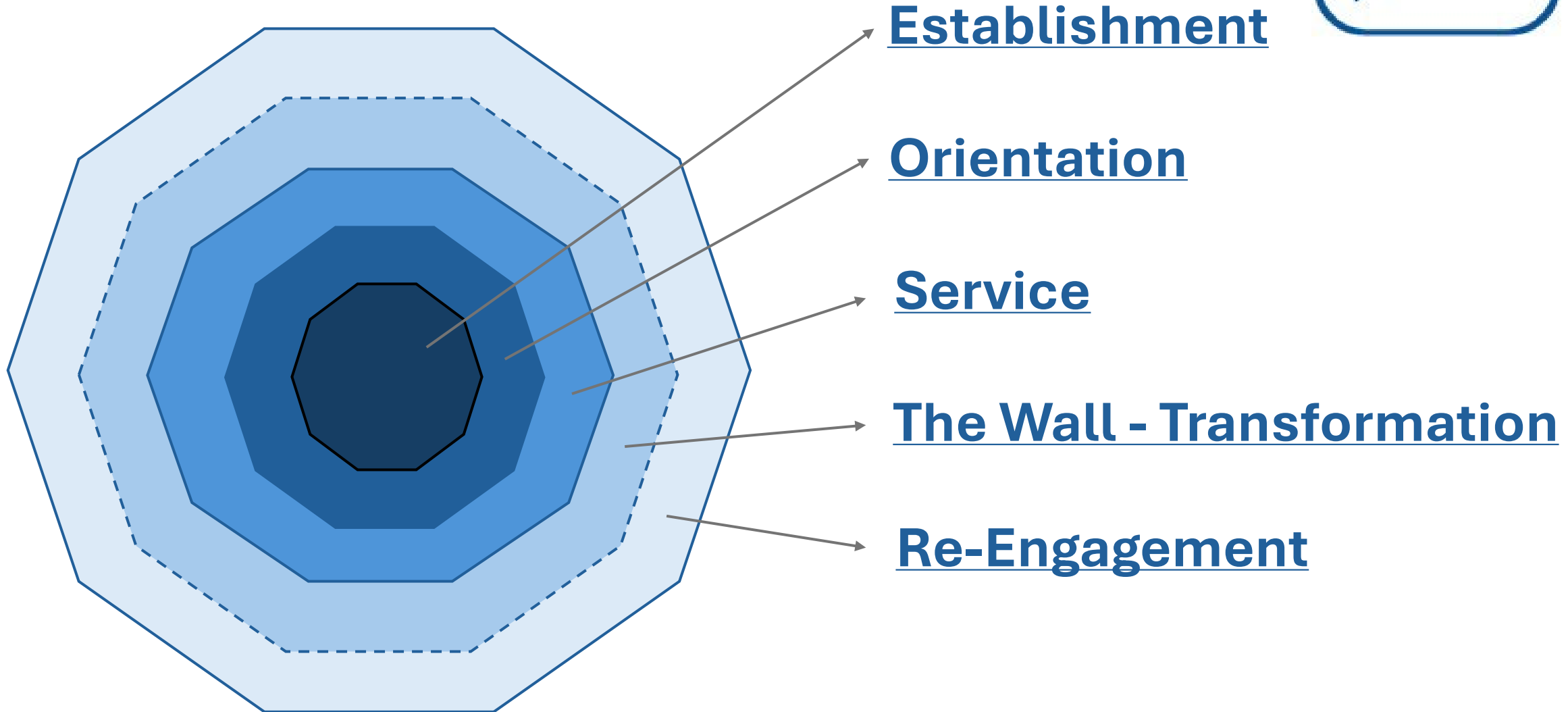


Spiritual Formation

in the Kingdom of God



Relationship Journey - Following Jesus



Relationship Journey...

SERVICE



**“Jesus, which is the greatest
commandment in the law?”**

Matthew 22:37-40

Jesus replied: “Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.’ This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’ All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments.”

Love God – Love People

Relationship Journey...

SERVICE



A Life of Kingdom Service

- Service is **how we engage in life**
- A **life of Kingdom service** is **loving God and loving people**
- Kingdom service is **NOT** primarily **loving yourself** by making it **all about you**
- **Active partnership** with the **Spirit** working **in us, around us and through us**

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SERVICE

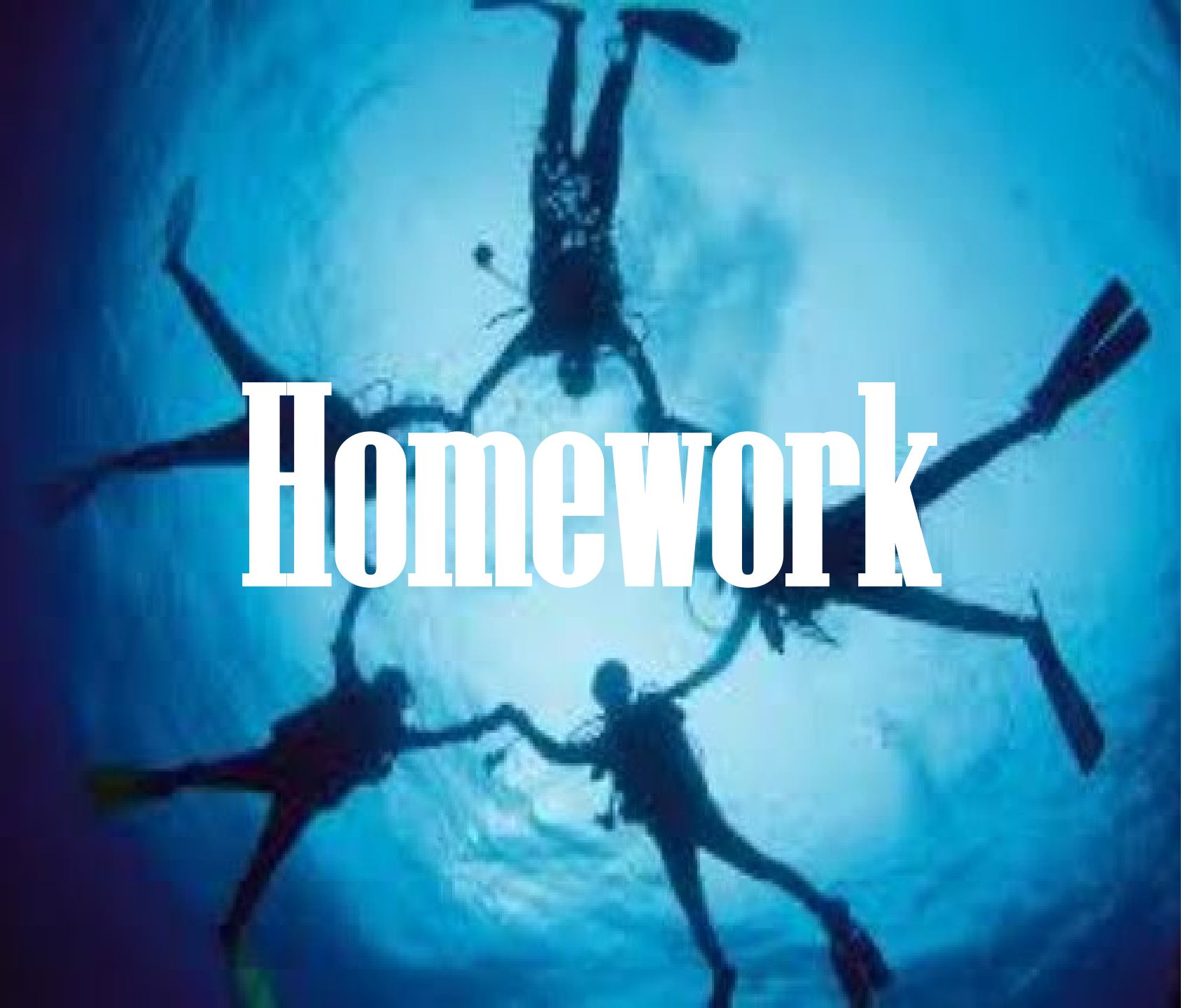


***Love is unconditionally
and sacrificially desiring
good for the one loved.***

- **What is good for God?**
 - To be **worshiped** by me
 - To **become** like him
 - To be a **good partner** with God
- **What is good for people?**
 - To be **accepted** as a **child of God**, made in the **image of God**
 - To **experience sufficiency** – to **matter**; to be **enough** in the Kingdom

Create a Timeline

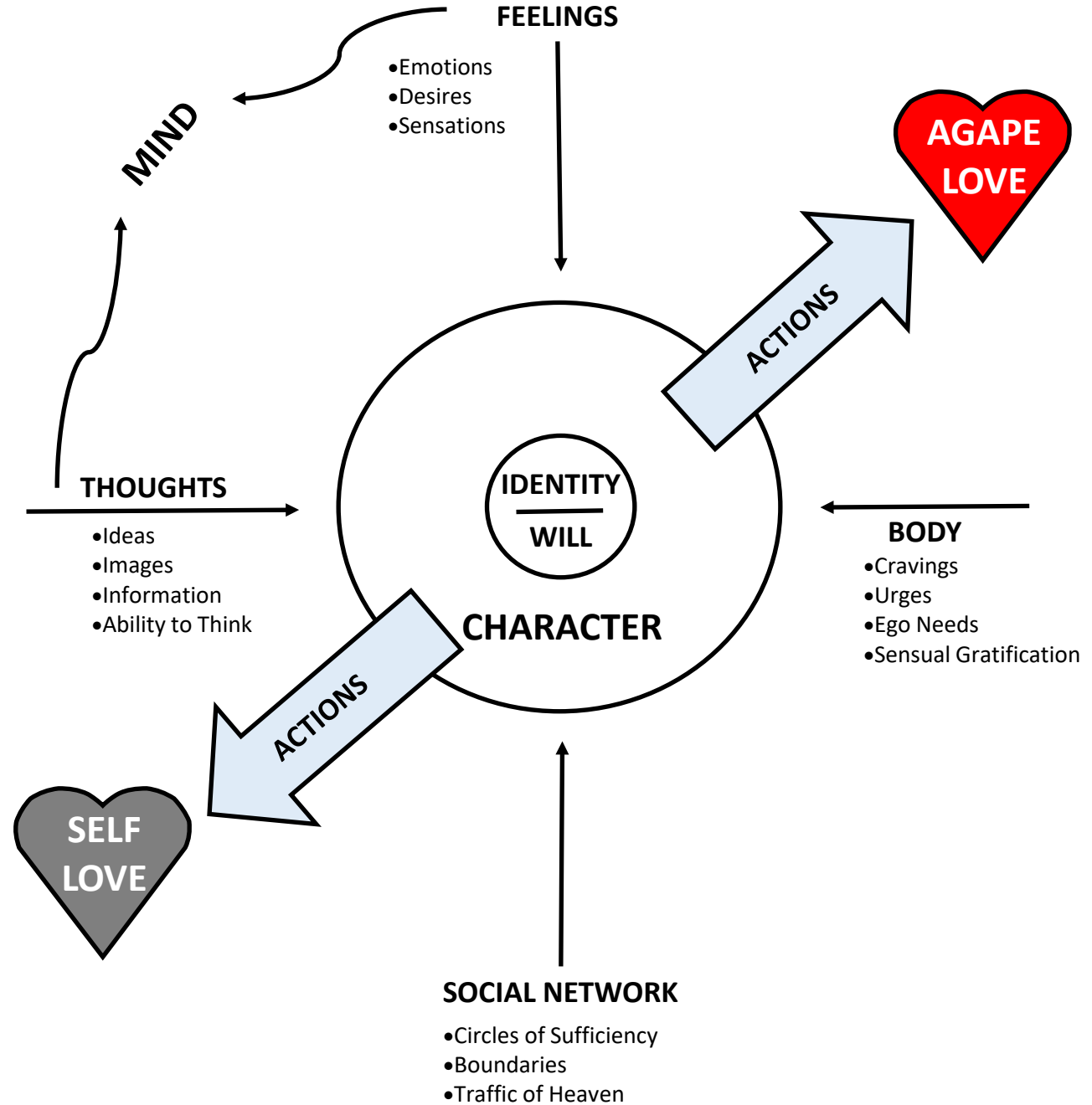
- *Follow the instructions on the handout in class and available on the website to create a personal timeline for use in weeks to come, as we explore the spiritual journey we are taking through our relationship with God*

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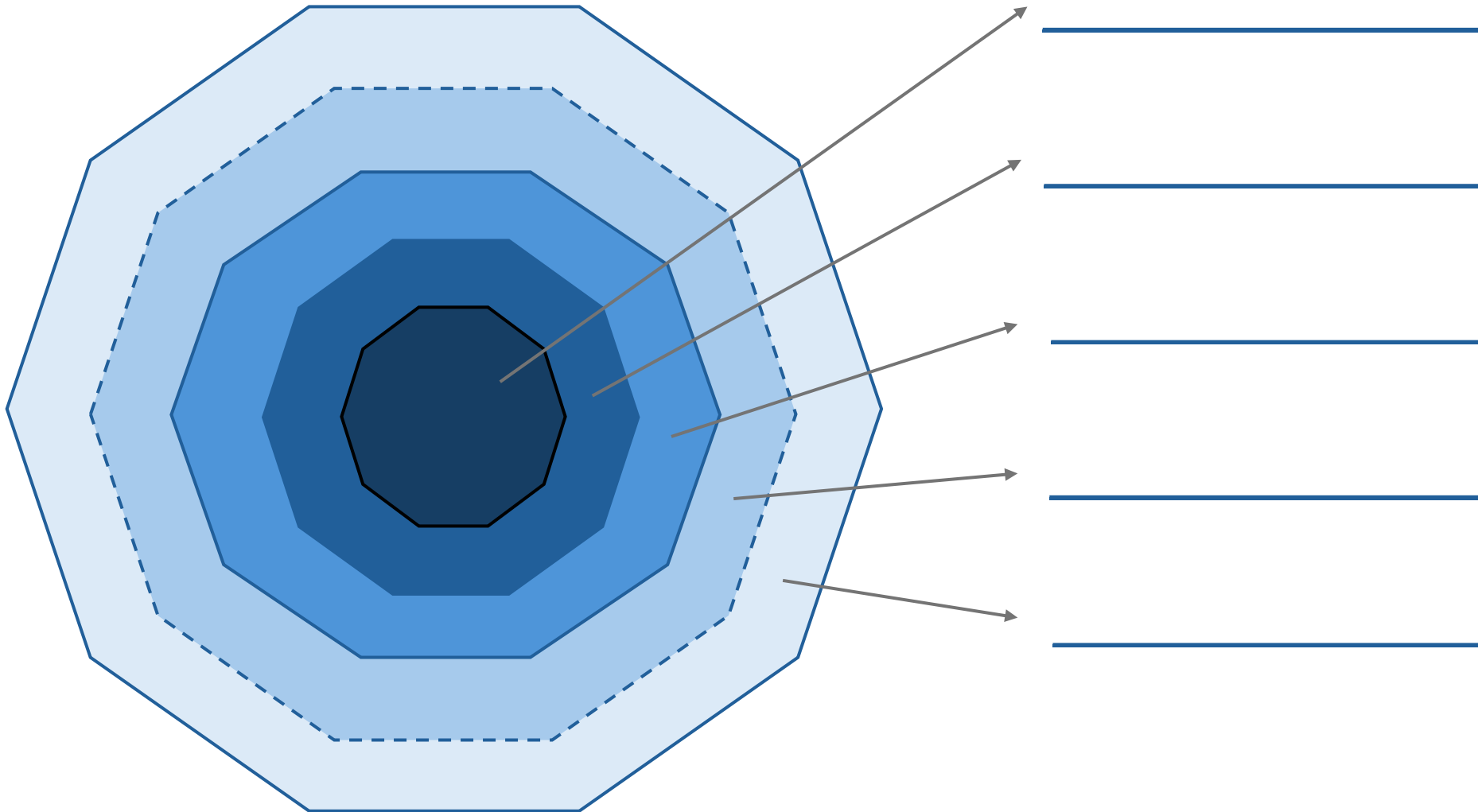
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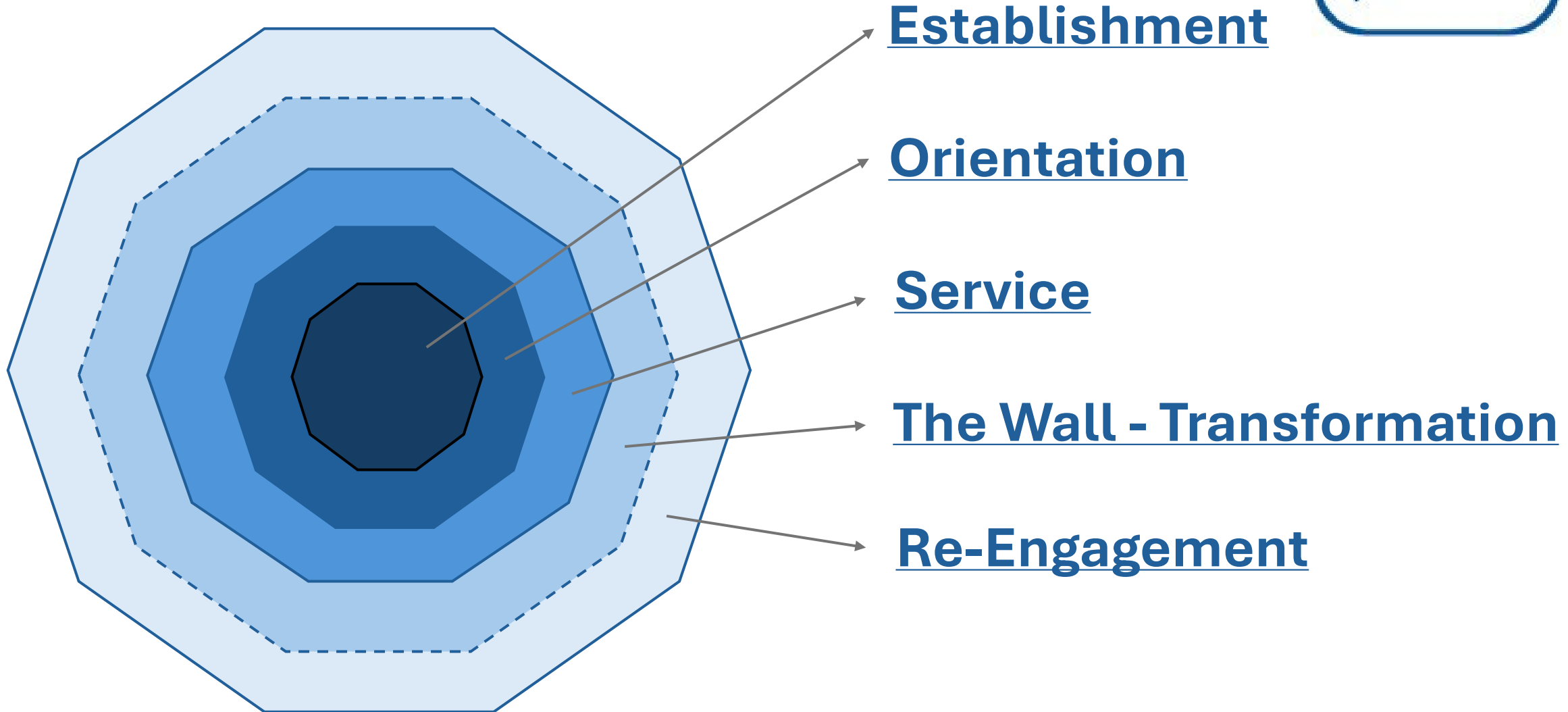
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ORIENTATION



Re-Orienting Your Life
One Category at a Time

