

2 Peter 1:12-18

The Truth of Our Christian Faith Is Bigger Than People
(Even The Apostles) Because It is Fact Not Fantasy

Chapter One: HOLINESS Comes by Pursuing Spiritual Growth

Grow Spiritually and Express Godly Character and Good Good-Works 1:2-11

Grow Spiritually Through an Embrace of God's Faithful Word 1:12-21

The Truth of Our Christian Faith is Bigger Than People (People Including the Apostles Come and Go But God and God's Truth are Timeless) 1:12-15

What Peter Is Doing v12

He is Reviewing "The Truth" of the Faith (1:2) for His Readers Then/Now

Principle: Repetition is the Mother of Retention

Why Peter is Doing It v13-15

Because He is About to "Depart"

Principle: People-Even Apostles Come/Go but God/His Truth Continues without Change

The Truth of Our Christian Faith is Fact Not Fantasy (as Confirmed by the Eye/Ear-Witness Testimony of the Apostles) 1:16-18

General Principle v16

The Truth of our Christian Faith is Factually/Objectively True; Which Among Other Things Means: Jesus is The Christ-His +R Life, SAS Death/LBSResurrection REALLY Happened-the Apostles Saw Them with Their Own Eyes (and Willing Died for Them)

Specific Example v17-18

The Transfiguration of Christ REALLY Happened and the Apostles Peter, James and John Saw It with Their Own Eyes (and Heard It with Their Own Ears) as One Superlative Validation of the Deity of Jesus (John 1:14; Phil 2:5-11) and the Reality of the Trinity

Take This To Heart

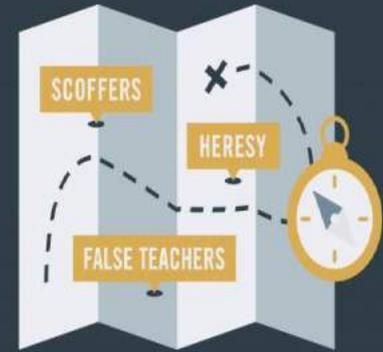
Get Real and Realize 1: The Object of Our Christian Faith is Objective Reality

Get Real and Realize 2: Many Today Don't Know This, Doubt This or Actively Deny This
And Increasingly Will Marginalize and Vilify Those of Us Who Do Believe (2 Thes 3:2)



— GIVING ALL DILIGENCE —

FAITH - VIRTUE - KNOWLEDGE
SELF-CONTROL - PERSEVERANCE - GODLINESS
BROTHERLY KINDNESS - LOVE



2 PETER

Holiness, Heresy and Hope

W A R N I N G



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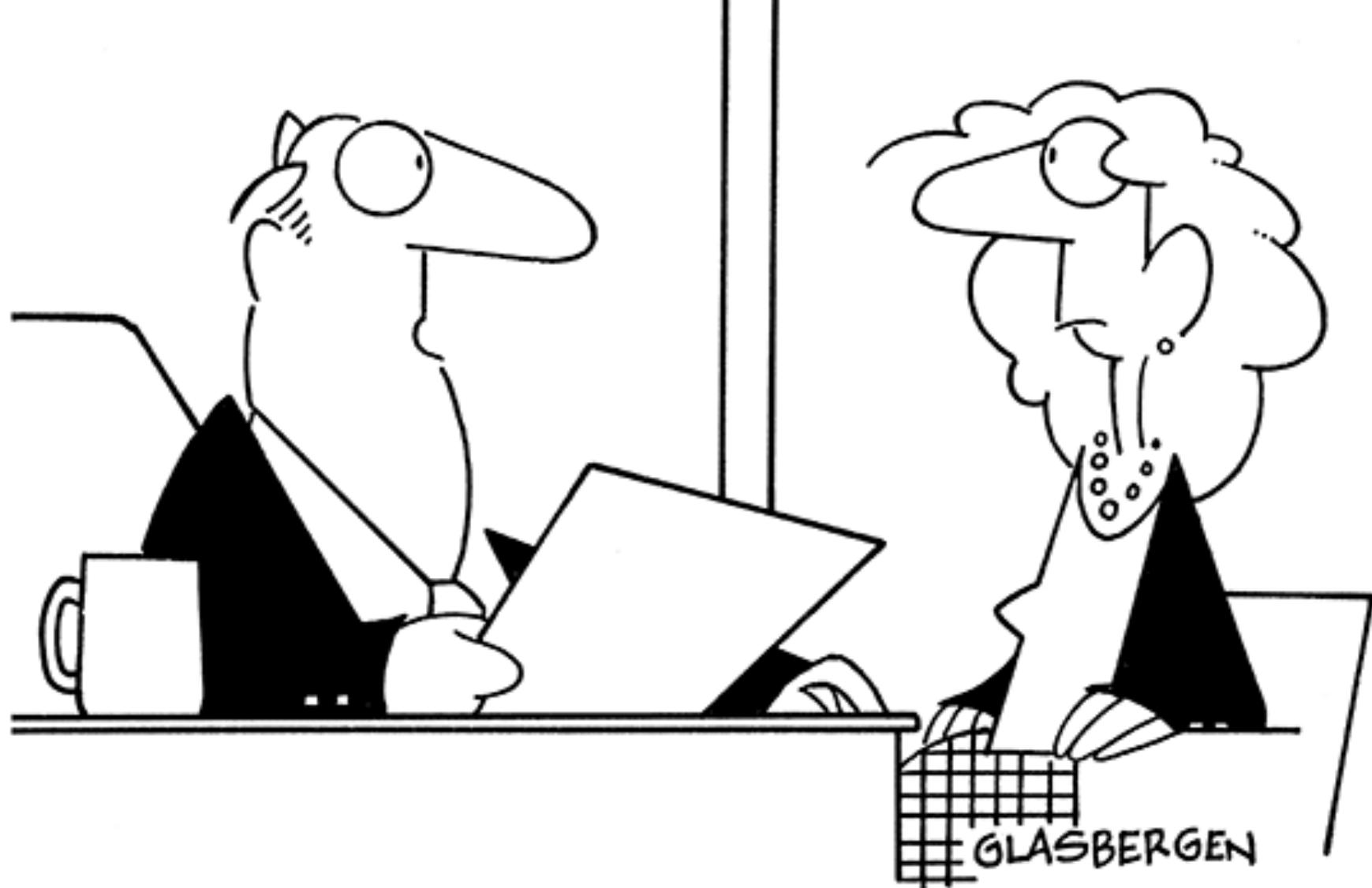
The Dangers of Modern Technology



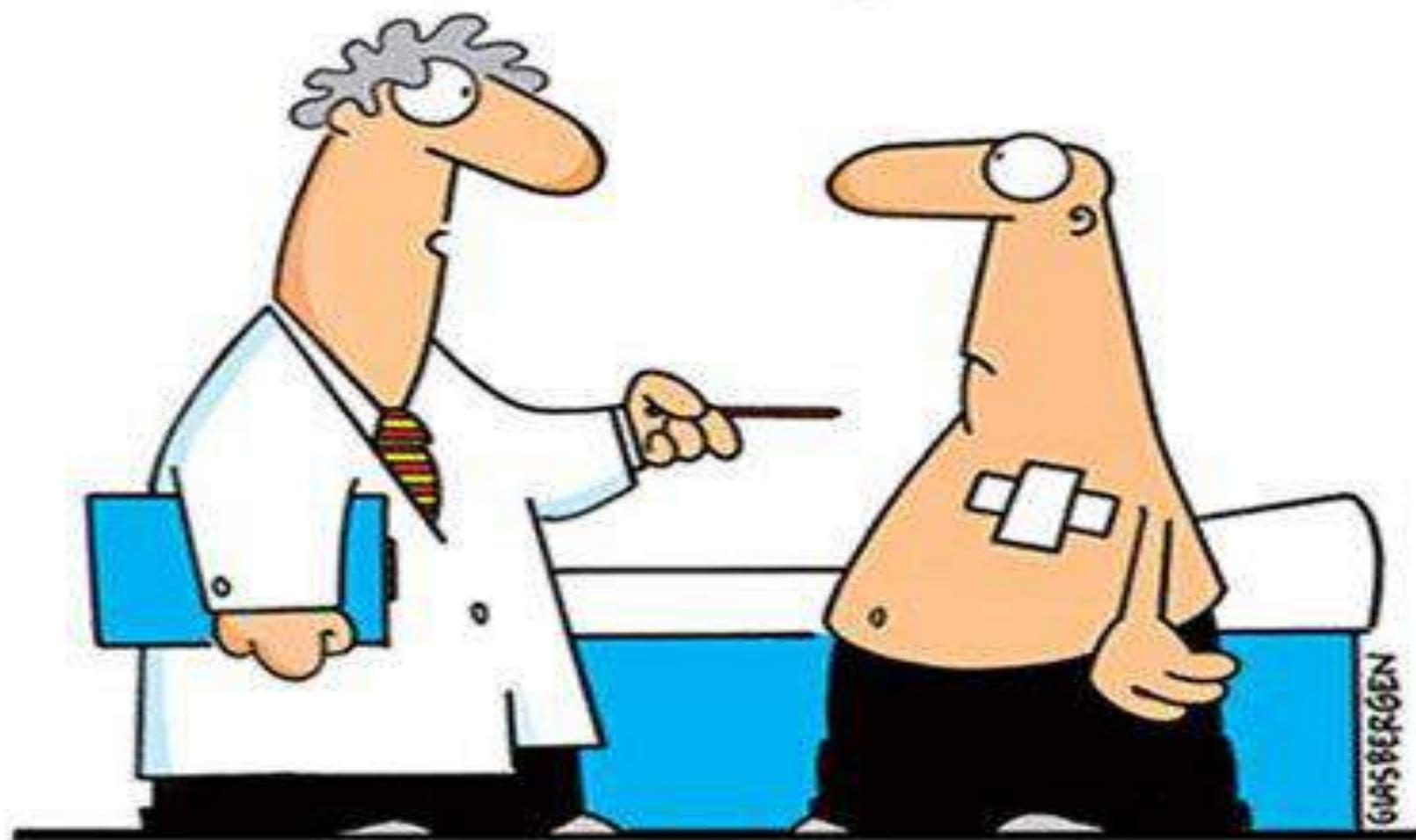
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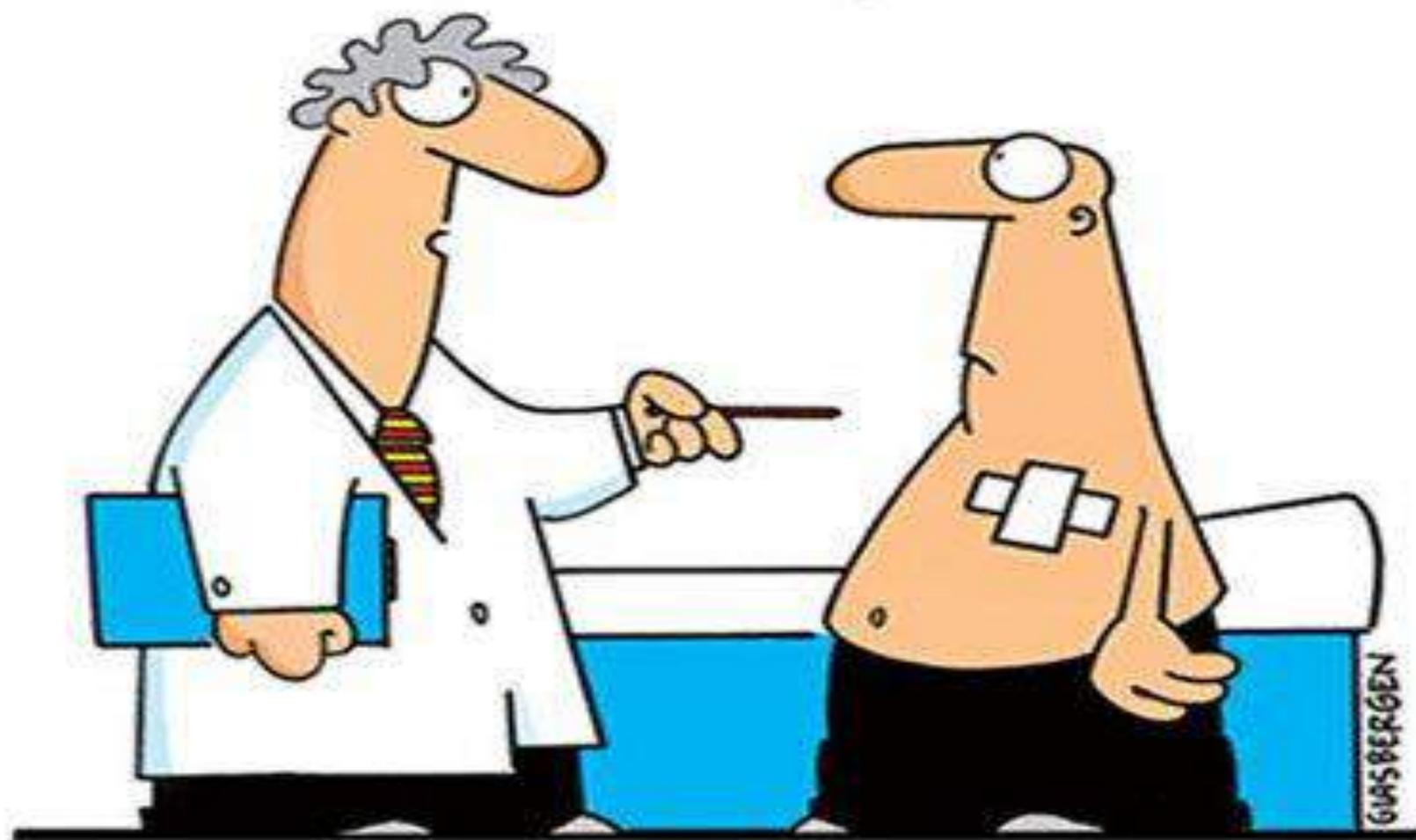
“Yes, I did the book report myself. I found it on eBay myself, I bid on it myself, I paid for it myself, I printed it myself...”



“You can get a discount on company health insurance



“It’s a pacemaker for your heart.
Plus, you can download



**“It’s a pacemaker for your heart.
Plus, you can download apps for your liver,
kidneys, lungs, and pancreas!”**

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The Message of 2 Peter

A Christ-Centered **HOPE** Should Motivate
Believers Now to Embrace a Lifestyle of True
HOLINESS and to Avoid the **HERESIES**
(Morally/Doctrinally) of False Teachers.

2 Peter

Therefore beloved...be diligent to be found in Him in peace, spotless and blameless...grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ

HOPE Chapter 3

HERESY Chapter 2

HOLINESS Chapter 1

2 Peter Chapter 1

HOLINESS Comes by SGIB

1: Expresses Godly Character/GGWs v2-11

2: Embraces God's Faithful Word v12-21

SGIB

Spiritual Growth

In Believers

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Peter is Reviewing This "Old" Truth Because

He is "Old" and about to "Depart"

Philippians 1:23

Death for a believer is "to depart and be with Christ"

2 Corinthians 5:1-9

"while we are at home in the body we are absent from the Lord" At death a believer is "absent from the body and at home with the Lord"

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Is Founded on Fact Not Fantasy v16-18

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The Truth of Our Christian Faith

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General: Life/Death & Resurrection of Christ

Specific: The Transfiguration of Christ

2 Peter 1:16

“We did not follow cleverly devised tales...”

1 Timothy 1:3-5

Titus 1:9-14

2 Timothy 3:16-4:4

The Grace of the Gospel is Rooted in The Reality of the Resurrection

Christ Died (SAS) for Our Sins

according to the Scriptures

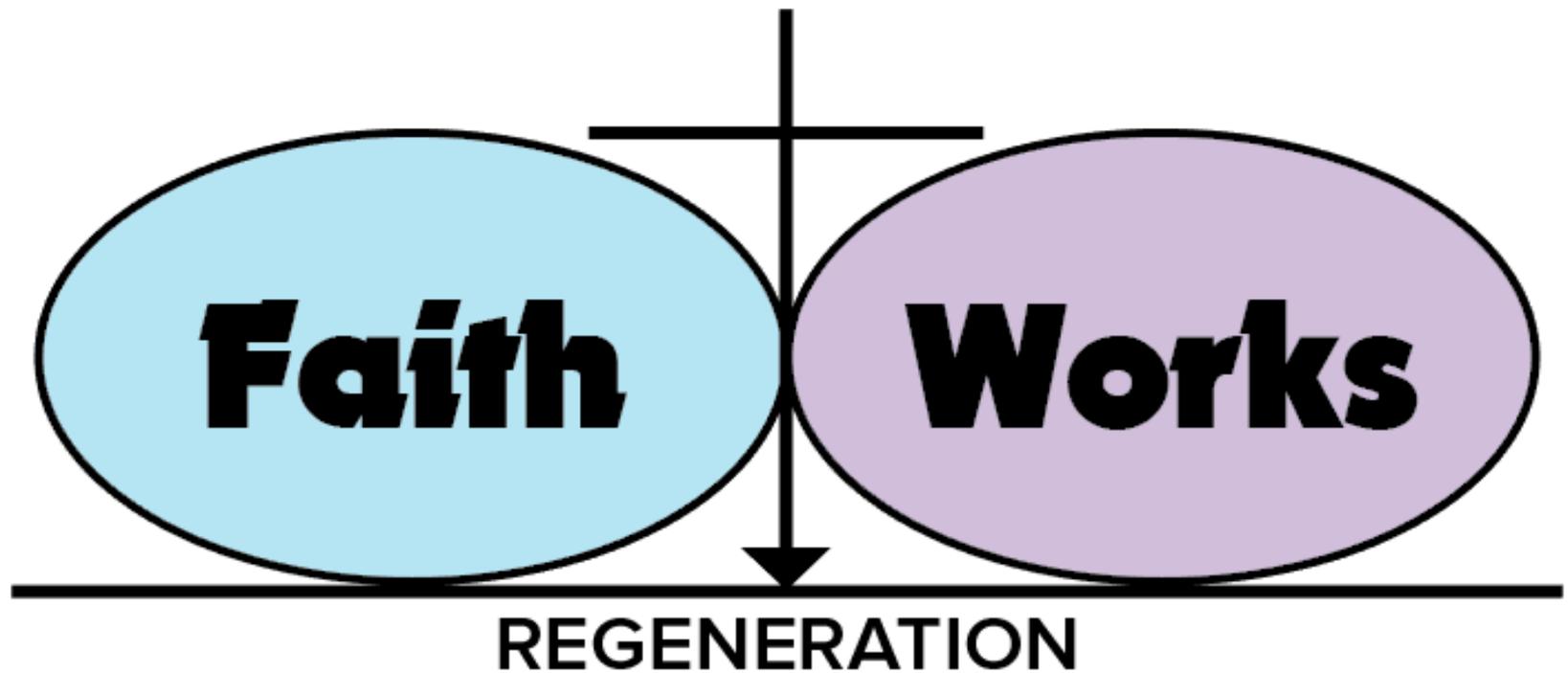
and He (His dead body) was buried

He Was Raised (LBSR) from the Dead

according to the Scriptures

and He appeared (in His body transformed)

ATONEMENT



Root Cause

Ephesians 2:8-9

*Not by Works
Come to the Light*

Fruit Effect

Ephesians 2:10

*But for Works
Let your Light Shine*

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Κυριος

Lord

Title

Ιησους

Jesus

Name

Χριστος

Christ

Title

corresponds
to the OT Word

יהוה

meaning
"God"

Title: God

corresponds
to the OT Word

ישוע

meaning
"God-Savior"

Human Name:
God-Savior

corresponds
to the OT Word

משיח

meaning
"Savior"

Title: Savior

Lord Jesus Christ = God-Man-Savior

The Bible

A SYNTHETIC OVERVIEW



ONE MAJOR PREMISE:

All Humans are Sinners/Die...

ONE MAJOR PROMISE:

...the Savior is Coming!

ONE MAJOR PREMISE:

Jesus of Nazareth is the Savior/Alive...

ONE MAJOR PROMISE:

...the Savior is Coming Back!

Prime Characteristics of **SGIB** v5-7

Applying all diligence in your faith supply:

1: Moral Excellence v5a

2: Knowledge v5b

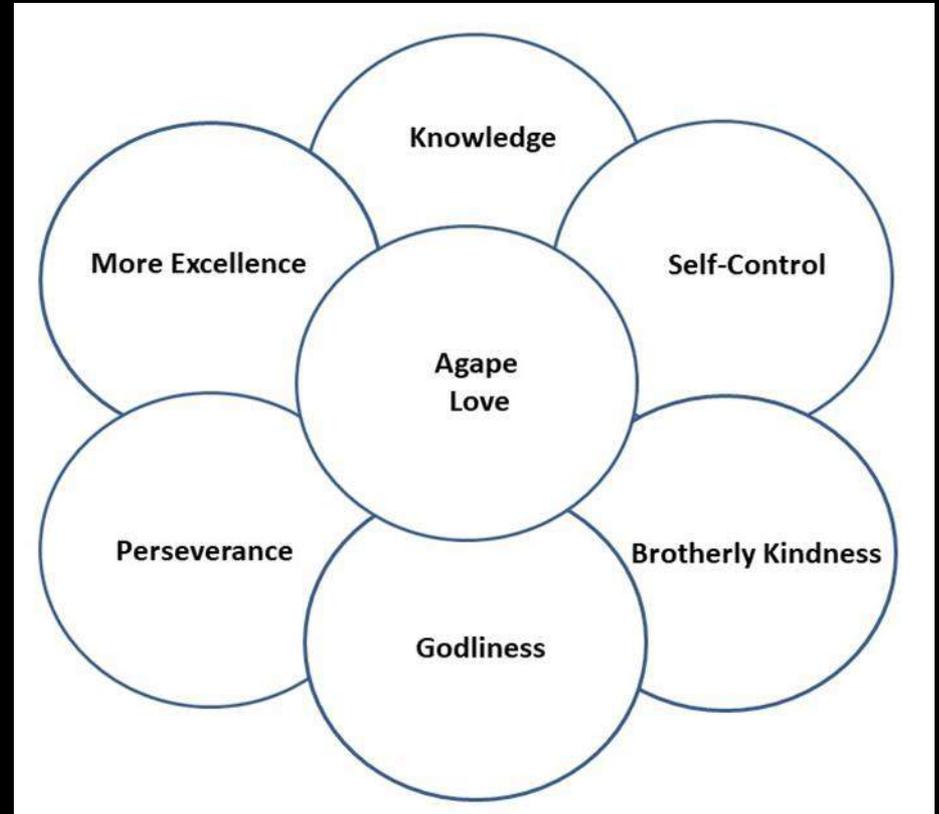
3: Self-Control v6a

4: Perseverance v6b

5: Godliness v6c

6: Brotherly Kindness v7a

7: Agape Love v7b



Prime Characteristics of **SGIB** v5-7

Practical Results of **SGIB** v8

Possible Causes for a Lack of **SGIB** v9

Positive Motivations for **SGIB** v10-11

Gnosis

Awareness of Information

"Knowing" about Flying
From Books/Plane Rides

Biblical Consciousness

Involves the Head

1 Corinthians 8:1

Epignosis

Info Embraced as Truth

"Knowing" about Flying
From Flying Airplanes

Biblical Convictions

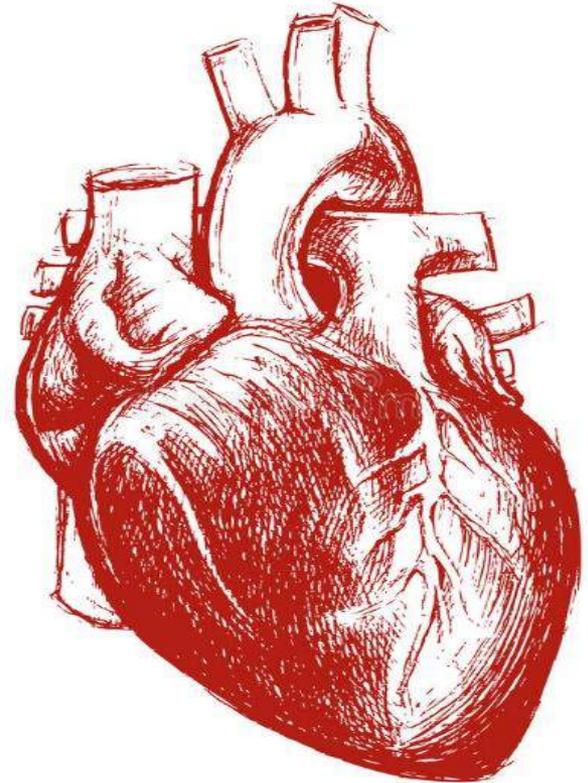
Involves the Heart

Romans 3:20; 10:2

Hebrews 4:12

The Word of God
is alive and powerful...

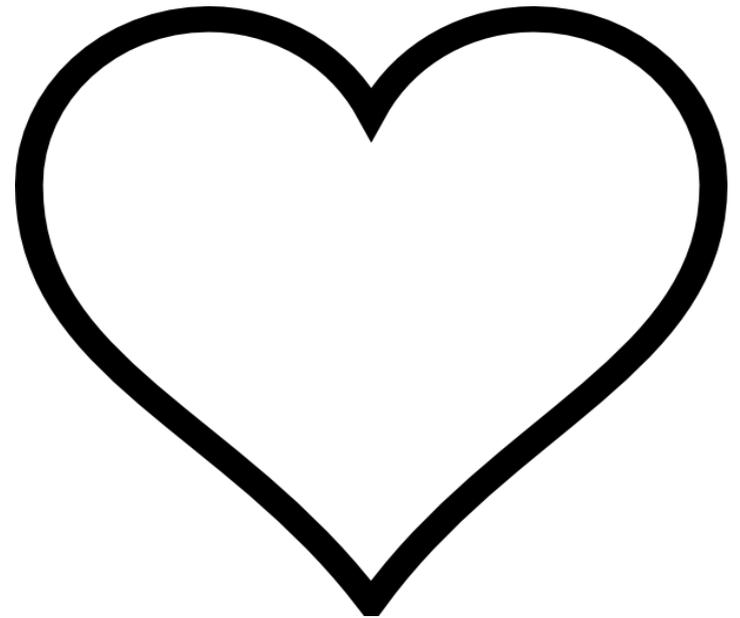
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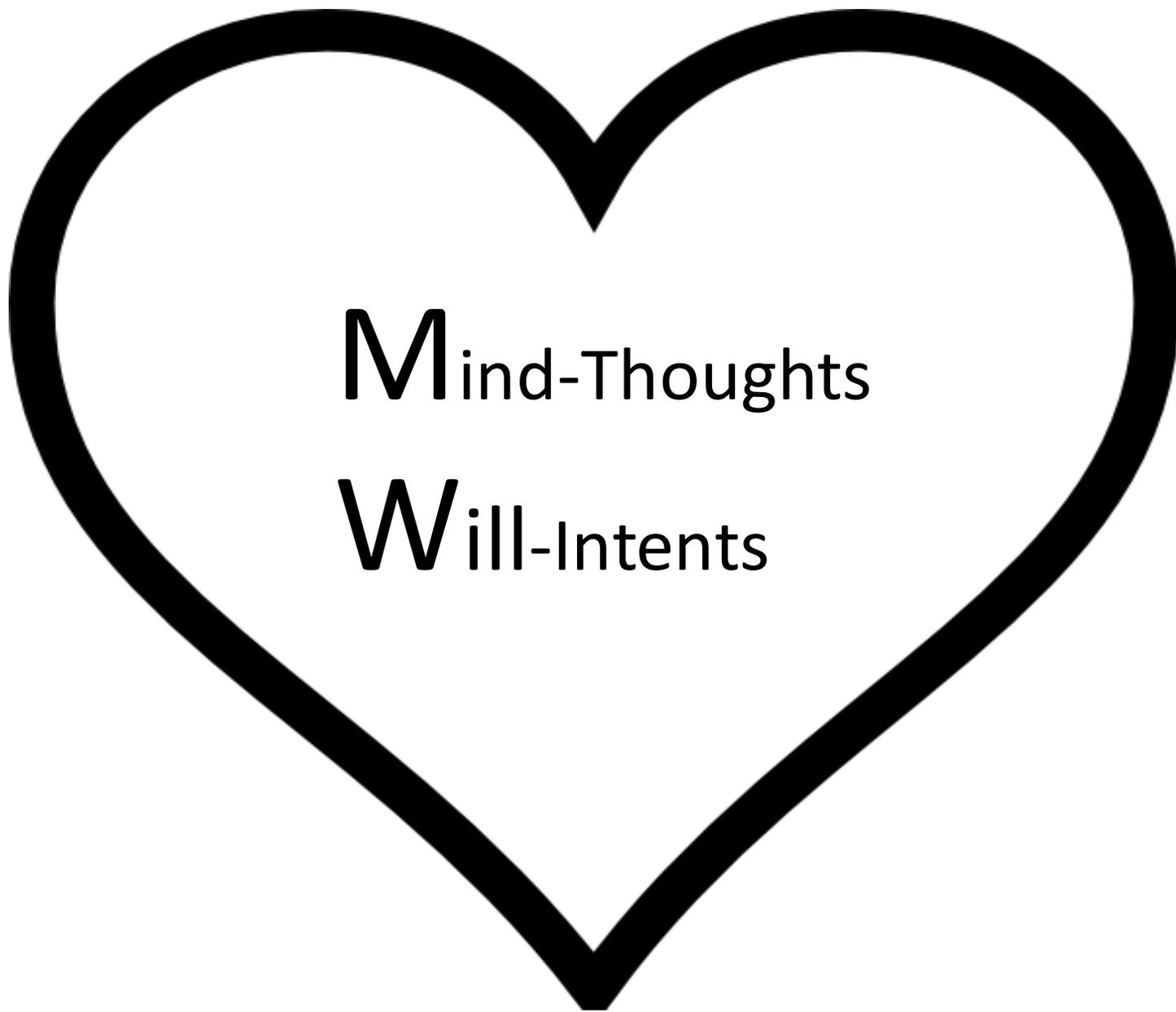


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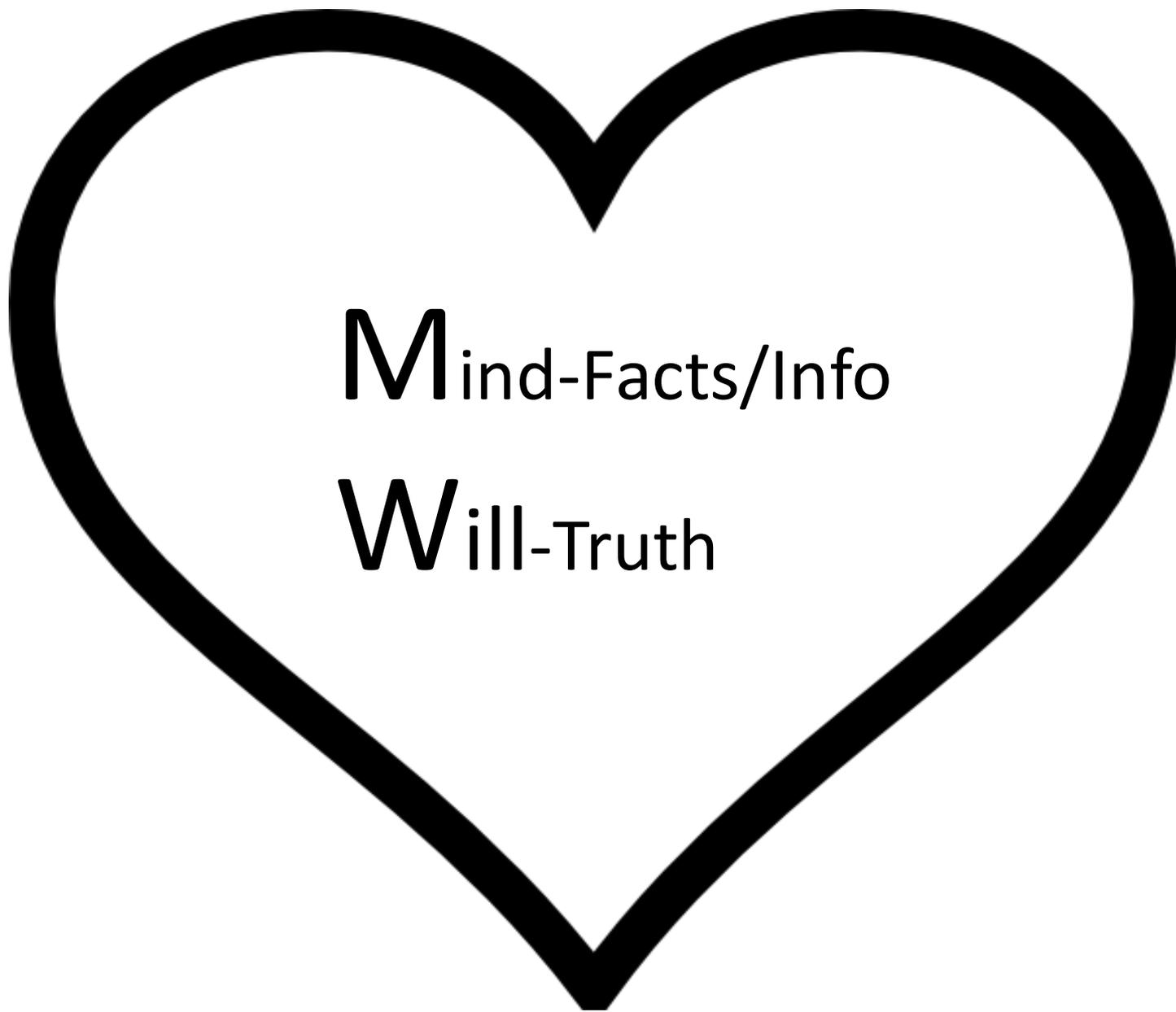
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Mind-Thoughts

Will-Intentions



Mind-Facts/Info

Will-Truth



Mind-Consciousness

Will-Convictions



Mind-Gnosis

Will-Epignosis

SALVATION

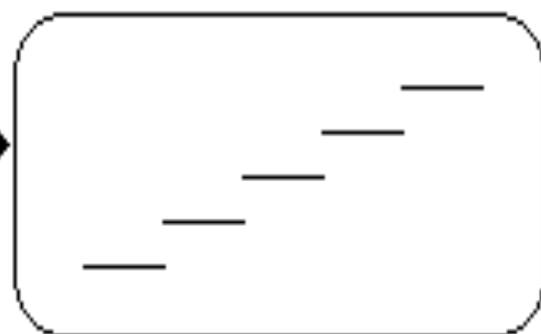
EVALUATION

Eternal Destiny

Eternal Rewards

All Believers

Salvation
ALWAYS by
Grace Through
Faith in the Work
of Christ/Cross



Heaven: New Heaven/New Earth

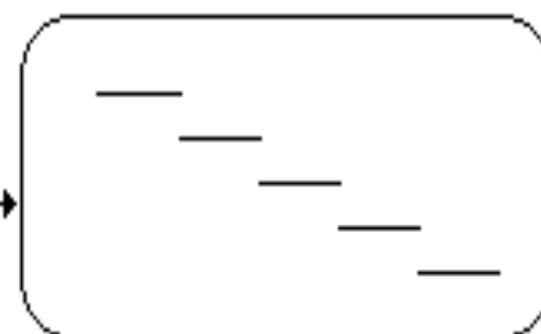
Judgment According to Works

Resulting in Various Levels
of Commendation/Reward

I Corinthians 3:11-15

II Corinthians 5:9-10

All Unbelievers



Hell: The Lake of Fire

Judgment According to Works

Resulting in Various Levels
of Condemnation/Reproach

Mark 12:40/Lk 20:47

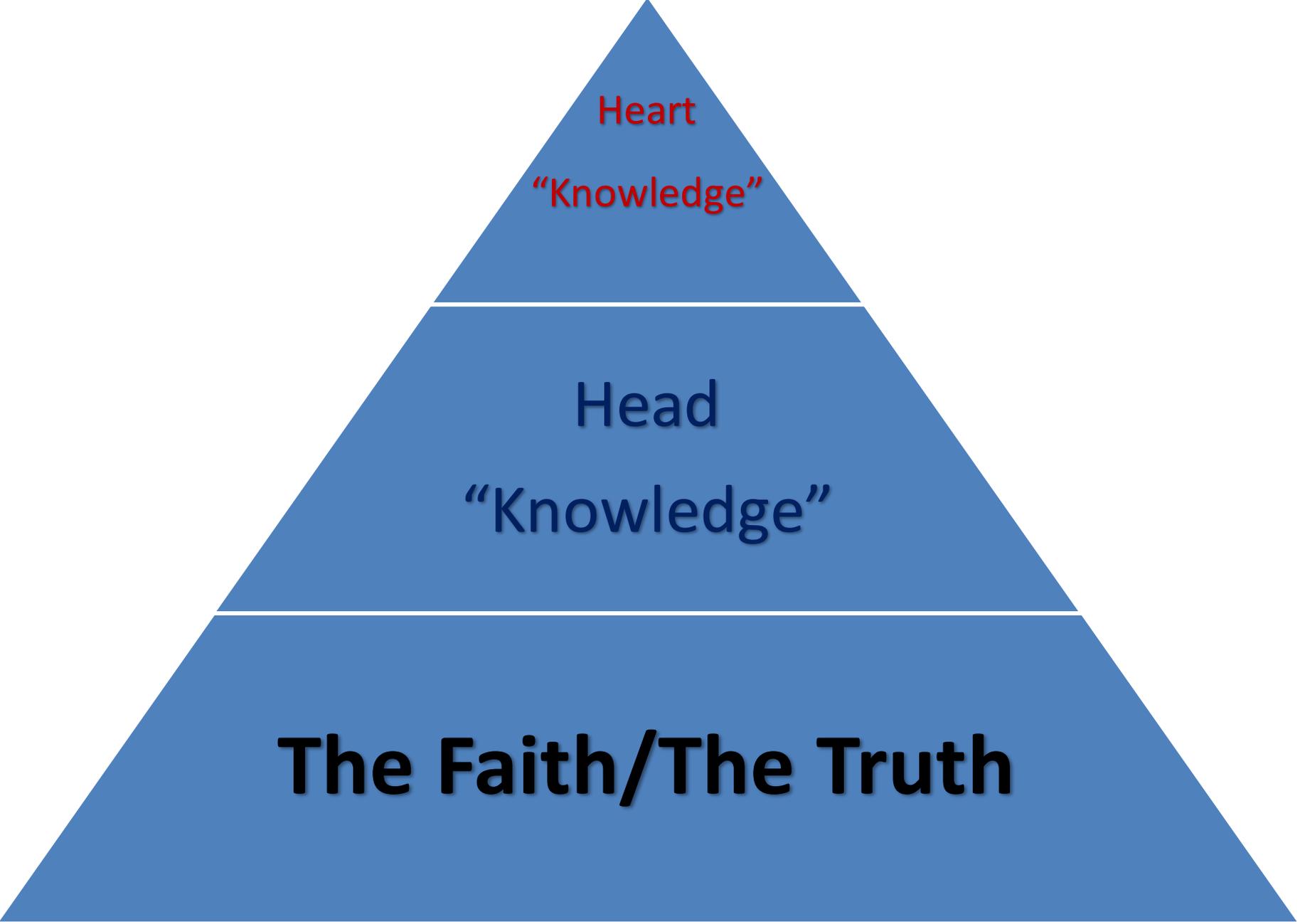
Revelation 20:11-15

1 Corinthians 3:14

If anyone's work which he has built on
it (the foundation of salvation in Christ)
remains, **he shall receive reward.**

1 Corinthians 3:15

If anyone's work is burned up,
he shall suffer loss, [of reward]
but he himself will be saved



Heart

“Knowledge”

Head

“Knowledge”

The Faith/The Truth

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