

1. YOU ARE A PEOPLE.
2. YOU NEED A PEOPLE.

## COMMITMENT

UNTIL WE VALUE COMMITTED RELATIONSHIPS OVER  
OUR COMFORTS, PREFERENCES, TIME, AND CAREERS  
WE WILL DISOBEY GOD AND LIVE LESS THAN  
OUR BEST LIFE.

ALL THE BELIEVERS DEVOTED THEMSELVES TO THE APOSTLES' TEACHING, AND TO FELLOWSHIP, AND TO SHARING IN MEALS (INCLUDING THE LORD'S SUPPER), AND TO PRAYER. A DEEP SENSE OF AWE CAME OVER THEM ALL, AND THE APOSTLES PERFORMED MANY MIRACULOUS SIGNS AND WONDERS. AND ALL THE BELIEVERS MET TOGETHER IN ONE PLACE AND SHARED EVERYTHING THEY HAD.

ACTS 2:42-47

THEY SOLD THEIR PROPERTY AND POSSESSIONS AND SHARED  
THE MONEY WITH THOSE IN NEED. THEY WORSHIPED  
TOGETHER AT THE TEMPLE EACH DAY, MET IN HOMES FOR THE  
LORD'S SUPPER, AND SHARED THEIR MEALS WITH GREAT JOY  
AND GENEROSITY —ALL THE WHILE PRAISING GOD AND  
ENJOYING THE GOODWILL OF ALL THE PEOPLE. AND EACH DAY  
THE LORD ADDED TO THEIR FELLOWSHIP  
THOSE WHO WERE BEING SAVED.

ACTS 2:42-47

EVERY WEEKEND, WE WANT TO BE A REALLY  
BIG GATHERING OF SMALL CHURCHES.

## DISCIPLESHIP IS NOT...

- BIBLE STUDY
- PRAYER
- WORSHIP
- A PROGRAM
- A CLASS
- KNOWLEDGE

THEN JESUS' MOTHER AND BROTHERS ARRIVED.  
STANDING OUTSIDE, THEY SENT SOMEONE IN TO CALL HIM.  
A CROWD WAS SITTING AROUND HIM, AND THEY TOLD HIM,  
"YOUR MOTHER AND BROTHERS ARE OUTSIDE  
LOOKING FOR YOU." "WHO ARE MY MOTHER AND MY  
BROTHERS?" HE ASKED. THEN HE LOOKED AT THOSE SEATED  
IN A CIRCLE AROUND HIM AND SAID, "HERE ARE MY MOTHER  
AND MY BROTHERS! WHOEVER DOES GOD'S WILL  
IS MY BROTHER AND SISTER AND MOTHER."

MARK 3:31-35

“CULTURE EATS STRATEGY FOR BREAKFAST, LUNCH,  
AND DINNER.” - LOUIS GERSTNER

WE ARE HOPING TO SHAPE A CULTURE THAT  
PROCLAIMS, “JESUS IS WHY.”



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3. PRACTICES THE RHYTHMS OF JESUS' LIFE
4. REPRODUCES

60-70% OF OUR CHILDREN LEAVE THE CHURCH DURING OR JUST AFTER HIGH SCHOOL. WHY?

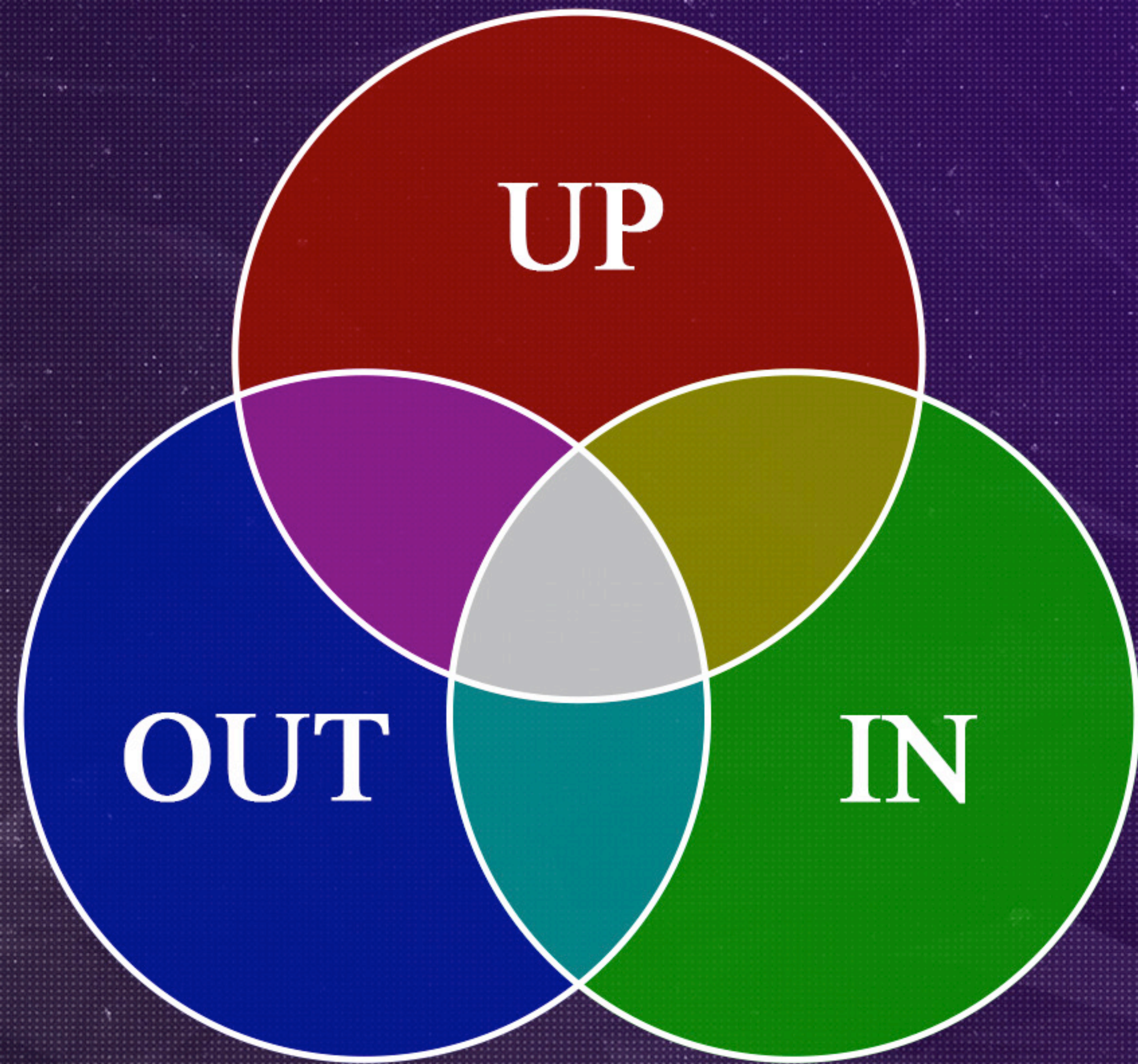
1. GOD IS MISSING IN CHURCH
2. LEGITIMATE DOUBT IS PROHIBITED
3. THEY ARE NOT LEARNING ABOUT GOD
4. THEY ARE NOT FINDING FAMILY/COMMUNITY

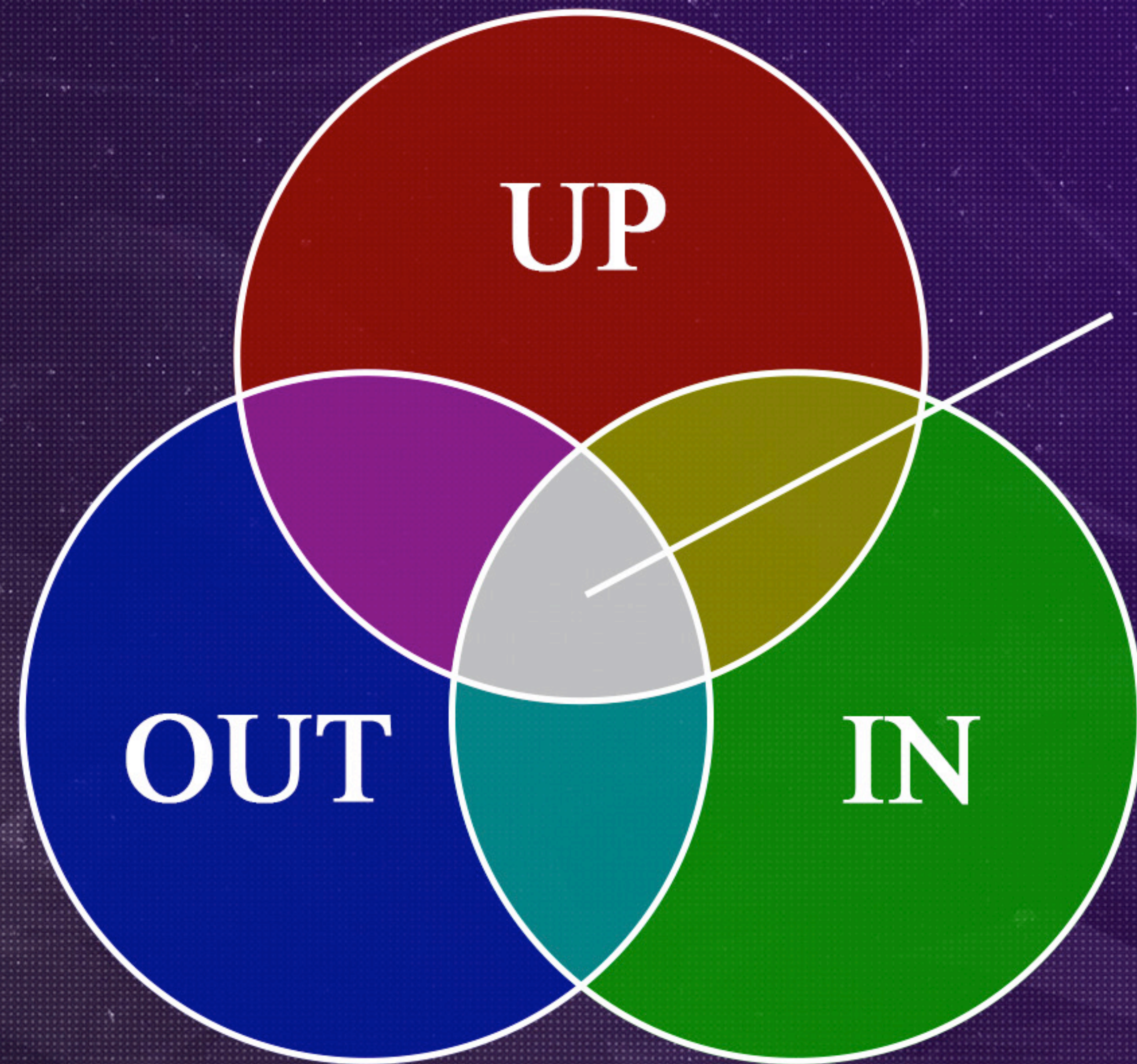
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SERVICE – HOW WE SHOW GOD'S LOVE TO OTHERS  
THROUGH COMBINING OUR TIME, TALENT,  
AND RESOURCES TO MEET REAL WORLD NEEDS.

WITNESS – HOW WE TELL, WHEN THE MOMENT  
IS RIGHT, GOD'S INCREDIBLE STORY OF LOVE  
AND HEALING.

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**DISCIPLE  
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“FRIENDS ARE THOSE WHO SERVE THE CAUSE WHEN THEY CAN. FOLLOWERS ARE THOSE WHO SUBMIT THEIR SKILLS AND RESOURCES TO HAVE JESUS TRANSFORM THEM. BUT FAMILY ARE THOSE WHO SURRENDER COMPLETELY, LAYING DOWN THEIR AGENDA FULLY FOR THE AGENDA OF JESUS. THIS IS WHAT THE DISCIPLES EVENTUALLY DO.”

- MIKE BREEN

1. WE NEED COMMUNITY GROUP COACHES.
2. WE NEED YOU TO COMMIT TO A GROUP.

WANT TO SHAPE A CULTURE FOR CHRIST?

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“SO NOW I AM GIVING YOU A NEW COMMANDMENT: LOVE EACH OTHER. JUST AS I HAVE LOVED YOU, YOU SHOULD LOVE EACH OTHER. YOUR LOVE FOR ONE ANOTHER WILL PROVE TO THE WORLD THAT YOU ARE MY DISCIPLES.”

JOHN 13:34-35

“I PRAY THAT THEY WILL ALL BE ONE, JUST AS YOU AND I ARE ONE—AS YOU ARE IN ME, FATHER, AND I AM IN YOU. AND MAY THEY BE IN US SO THAT THE WORLD WILL BELIEVE YOU SENT ME.”

JOHN 17:21

“TO LOVE AT ALL IS TO BE VULNERABLE. LOVE ANYTHING  
AND YOUR HEART WILL BE WRUNG AND POSSIBLY BROKEN.  
IF YOU WANT TO MAKE SURE OF KEEPING IT INTACT  
YOU MUST GIVE IT TO NO ONE, NOT EVEN AN ANIMAL.  
WRAP IT CAREFULLY ROUND WITH HOBBIES AND LITTLE  
LUXURIES; AVOID ALL ENTANGLEMENTS. LOCK IT UP SAFE  
IN THE CASKET OR COFFIN OF YOUR SELFISHNESS.”

“BUT IN THAT CASKET, SAFE, DARK, MOTIONLESS, AIRLESS, IT WILL CHANGE. IT WILL NOT BE BROKEN; IT WILL BECOME UNBREAKABLE, IMPENETRABLE, IRREDEEMABLE. TO LOVE IS TO BE VULNERABLE. THE ALTERNATIVE TO TRAGEDY OR AT LEAST THE RISK OF IT IS DAMNATION. THE ONLY PLACE OUTSIDE OF HEAVEN WHERE YOU CAN BE PERFECTLY SAFE FROM ALL THE DANGERS OF LOVE IS HELL.”