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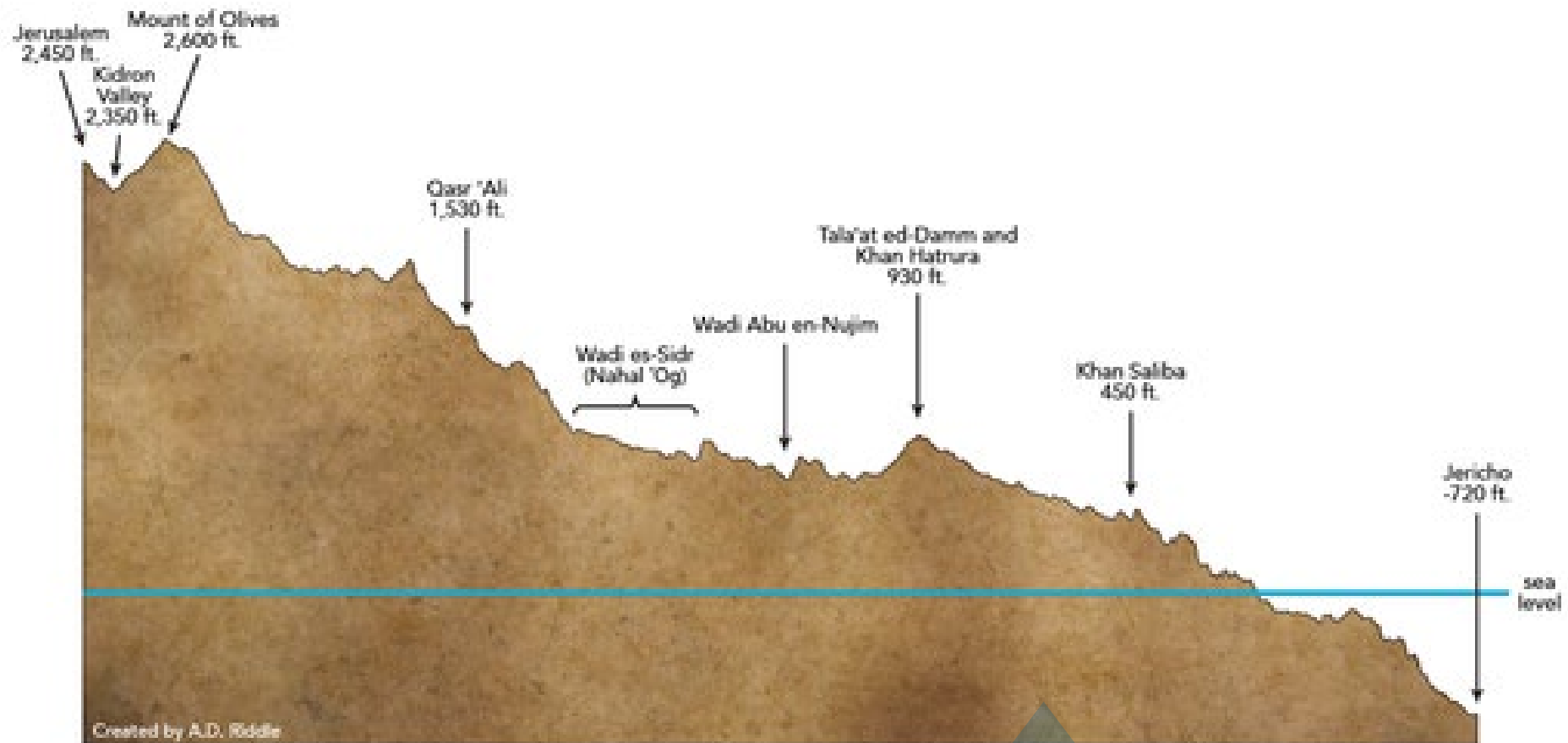
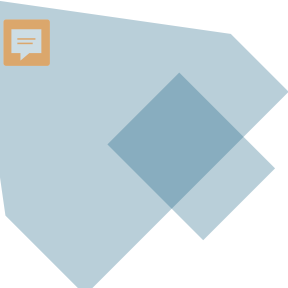
**“Seeing My Neighbor”**

**Luke 10:25-36**





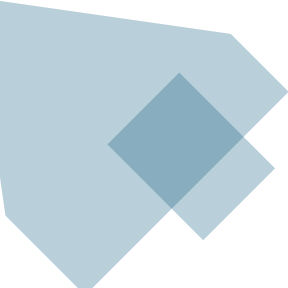




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**LUKE 19** “Jesus went up into the hills toward Jerusalem”

Jericho Road






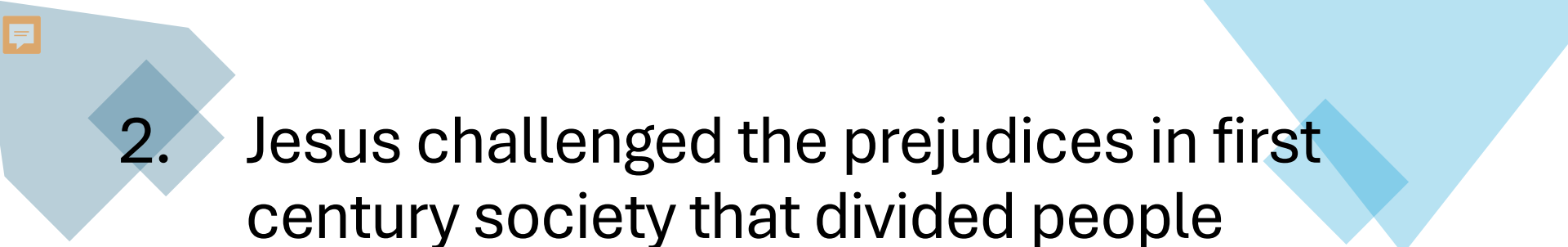








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1. Jesus chose this place for the story so he clearly communicate his teaching: the road to Jericho was the “perfect place” for an ambush.
    - A. Is there a “perfect place” for someone to be “ambushed,” in your life circles, e.g., made fun of, gossiped about, or excluded?
      - School starts soon!
        - Teacher? New student?
      - New co-worker?
      - Generation Hope?
      - The person who doesn’t seem to fit in?
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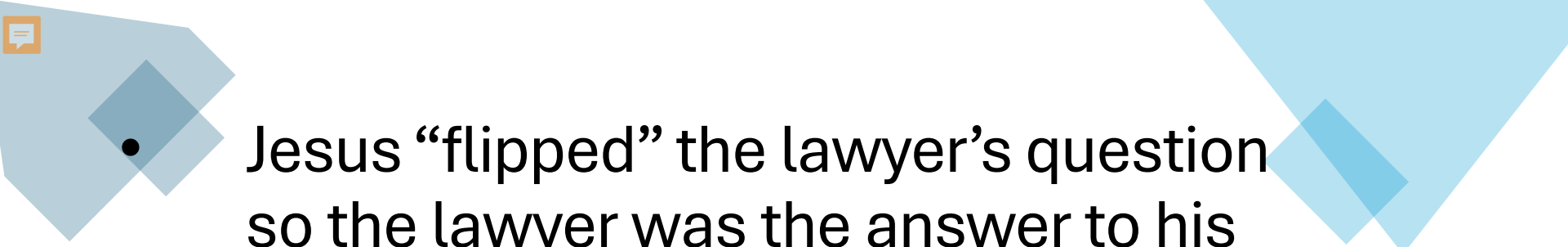
2. Jesus challenged the prejudices in first century society that divided people groups. Who are our modern-day “Samaritans”? The love of God has no prejudices so neither should believers!

A. Why did Jesus’s story use a “Samaritan”?

- Bad history. 2 Kgs 17:23-25
- Worshipped at wrong place. John 4:23
- Hatred of each other.

B. Oswald Chambers’ statement.



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- Jesus “flipped” the lawyer’s question so the lawyer was the answer to his own question. Do you think the same thing needs to happen to you and me today?

A. V29. But desiring to justify himself he said, “And who is my neighbor?”


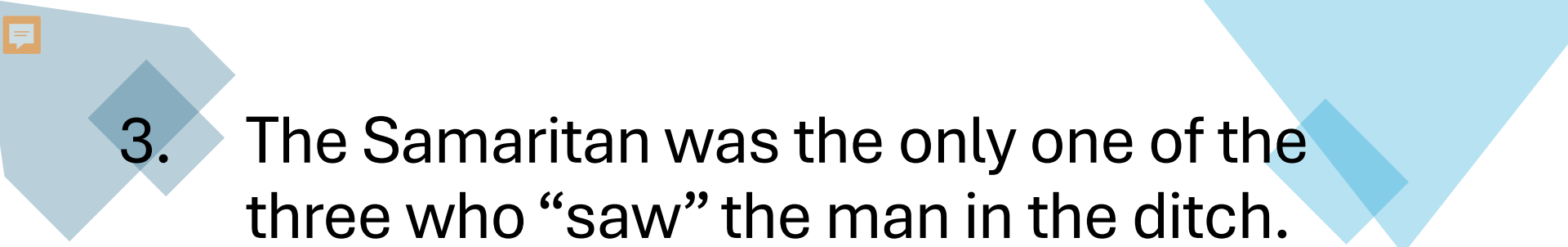
- Person who lives next door?
- Relative or close friend?
- The “newcomer”?

B. V36. ... which one of the 3 ...


C. V37. You go and do likewise.

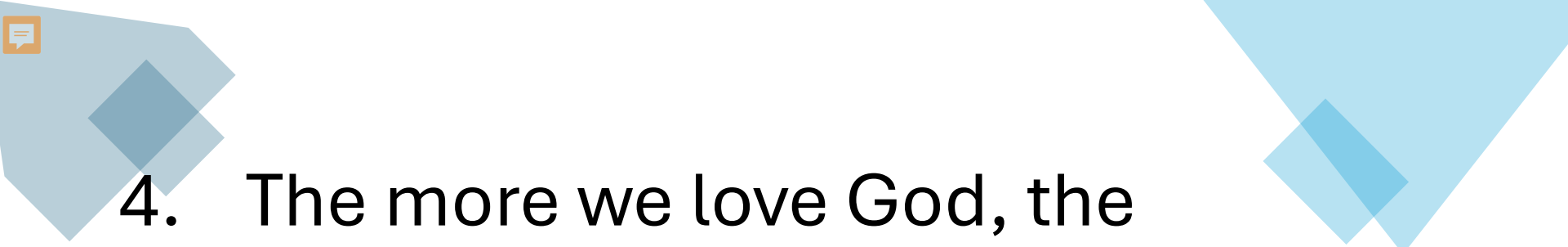








3. The Samaritan was the only one of the three who “saw” the man in the ditch. Real obstacles allowed the religious ones to pretend not to see the one in the ditch.

- Obstacles:
    - A. Priest & Levite.
    - B. Samaritan. V33. ***Saw him...***
  - ***Do you have obstacles that keep you from seeing those around you?***
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4. The more we love God, the clearer will be our spiritual vision to see those around us that God wishes to lift up.

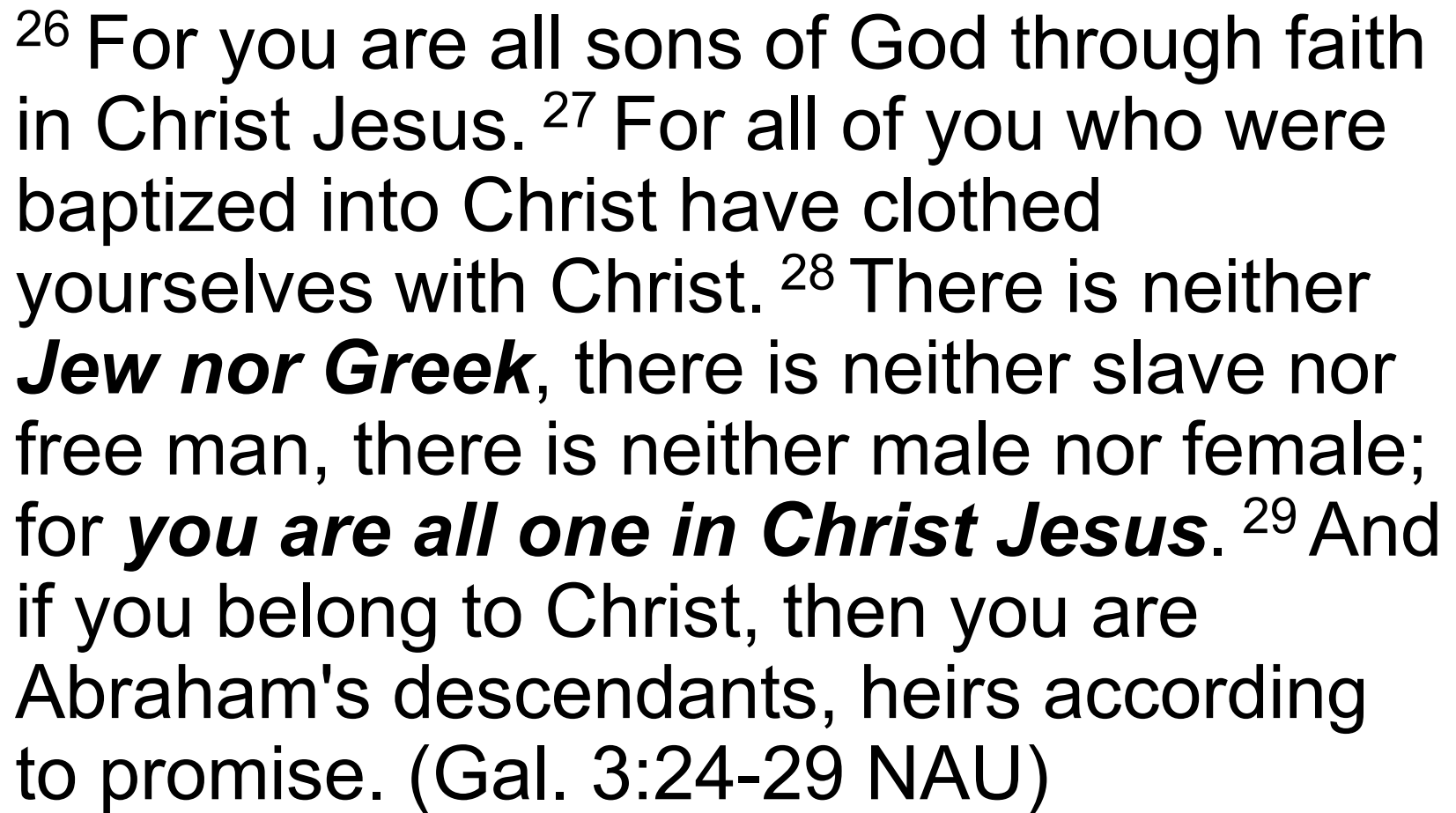
- 1 Cor 6:19
  - Gal 3:24-29
  - 1 John 4:20, 2:11
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1 Cor. 6:19 Or do you not know that your body is a *temple of the Holy Spirit* within you, whom you have from God? *You are not your own*, for you have been bought with a price. So glorify God in your body. (ESV)

- “The one characteristic of the HS in us should be a strong family resemblance to Jesus Christ.” Oswald Chambers
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<sup>26</sup> For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus. <sup>27</sup> For all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. <sup>28</sup> There is neither ***Jew nor Greek***, there is neither slave nor free man, there is neither male nor female; for ***you are all one in Christ Jesus***. <sup>29</sup> And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's descendants, heirs according to promise. (Gal. 3:24-29 NAU)




## Summary:

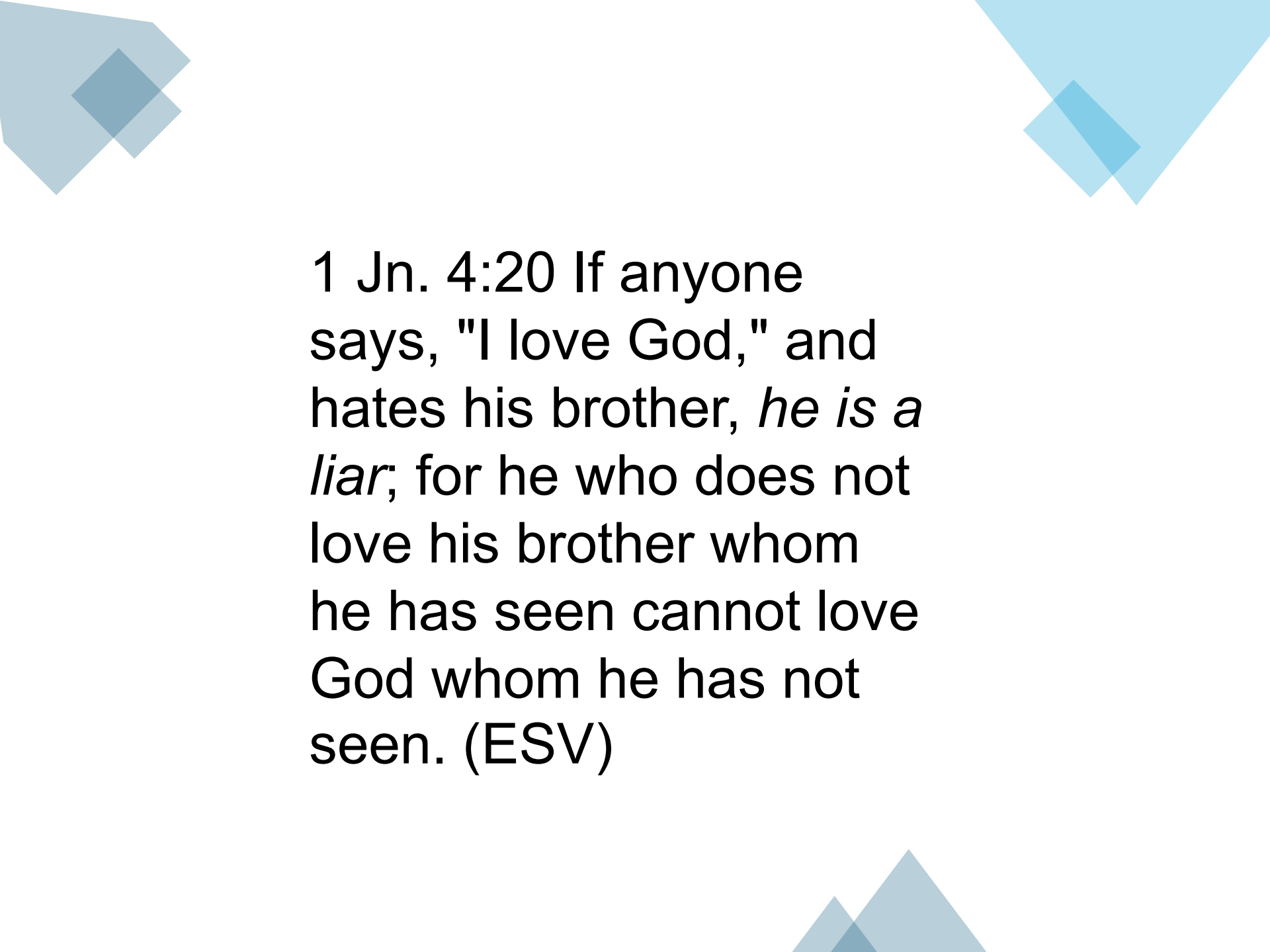
1. The story points us to **see** the people around us and intentionally be a “neighbor” to a neighbor.
  2. Jesus challenges us to see our prejudices. The love of God has none, so neither should followers of Christ.
  3. The Samaritan was the most unlikely to see the man. Jesus calls us to take down the barriers that keep us from seeing others all around us.
  4. The more we love God, the clearer will be our spiritual vision to see those around us that God wishes to lift up.
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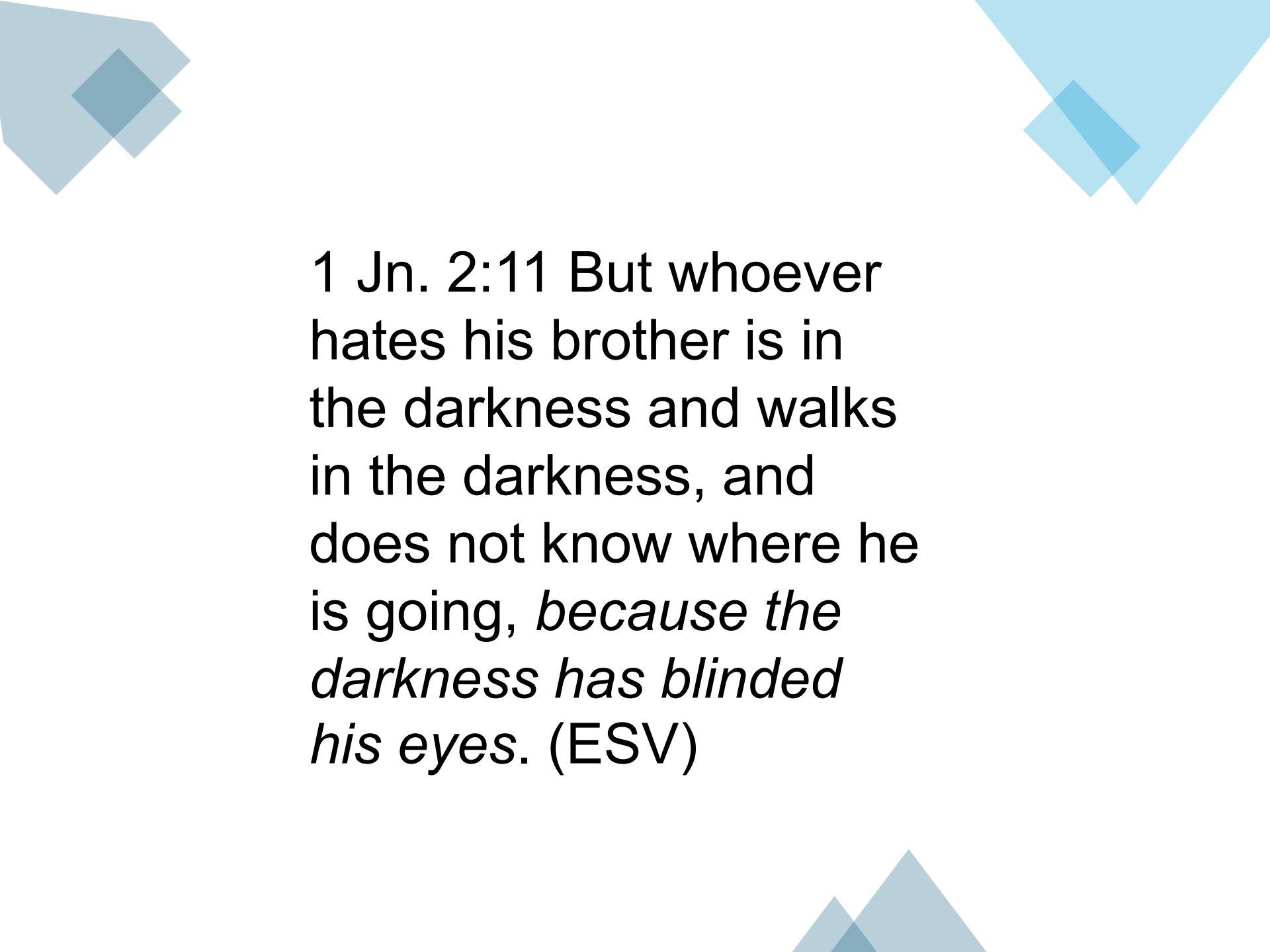
## Next Steps:

1. Will you ask God to put at least one person in your path that He wants you to be a neighbor to?
  2. Will you ask God to reveal any personal prejudices that keep you from being a neighbor to certain people groups?
  3. Will you allow the Holy Spirit to direct you more into a heart that loves God?
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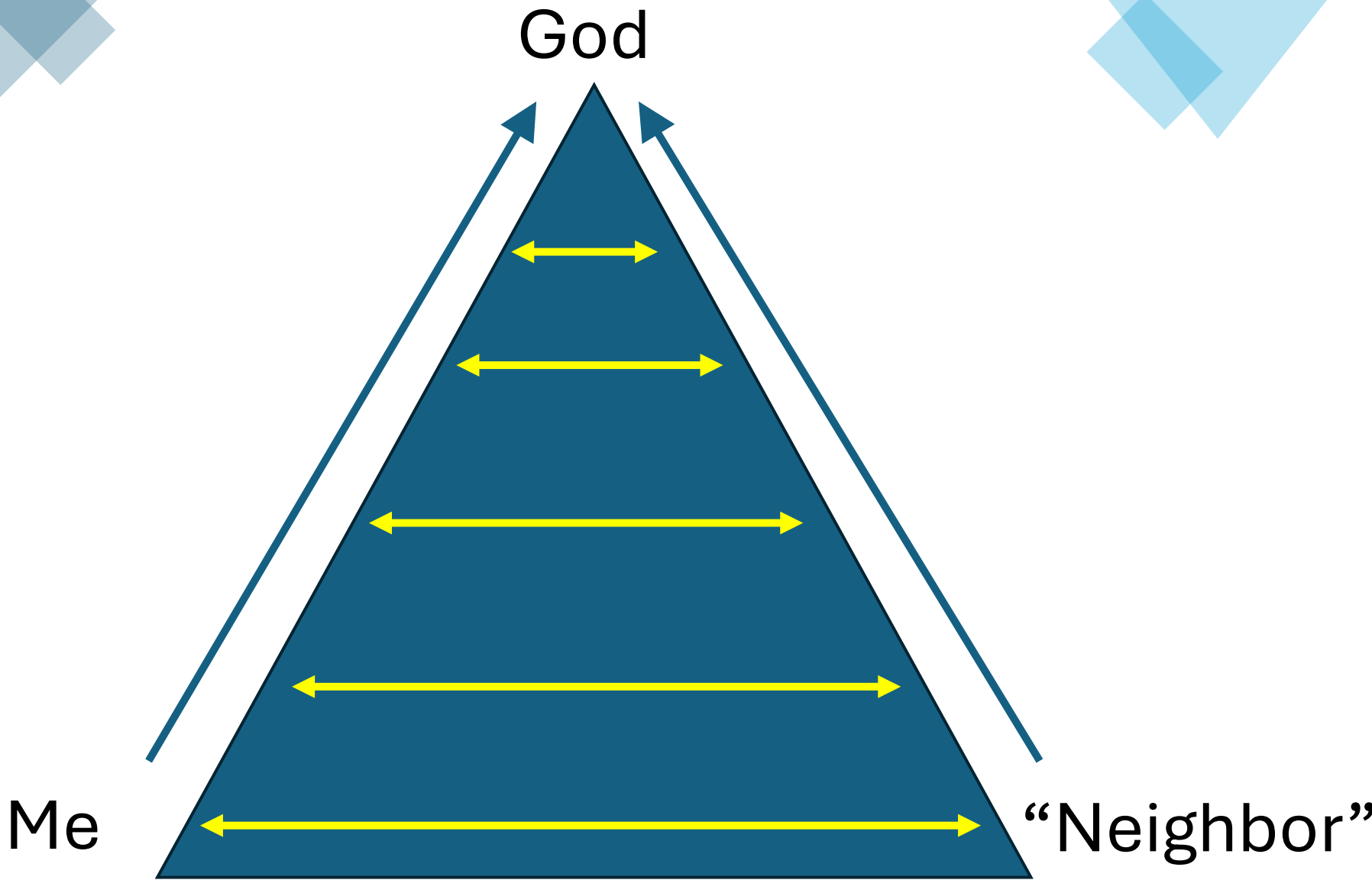


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1 Jn. 4:20 If anyone says, "I love God," and hates his brother, *he is a liar*; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen cannot love God whom he has not seen. (ESV)

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1 Jn. 2:11 But whoever hates his brother is in the darkness and walks in the darkness, and does not know where he is going, *because the darkness has blinded his eyes.* (ESV)







- Love of God in me through my:

- A. Heart.

- Matt 6:18-21

- B. Soul/spirit.

- John 4:23-24

- C. Strength.

- Phil 2:12-13; 1:29-30

- D. Mind.

- Ps 1:1-3
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