



FIXED ON
JESUS

How to hold the Centre in an Age of Diversity



IN ESSENTIALS,

UNITY

IN NON-ESSENTIALS,

LIBERTY

IN ALL THINGS,

CHARITY

IN NON-ESSENTIALS,
LIBERTY

IN NON-ESSENTIALS, **LIBERTY**

HOT BUTTON Topics



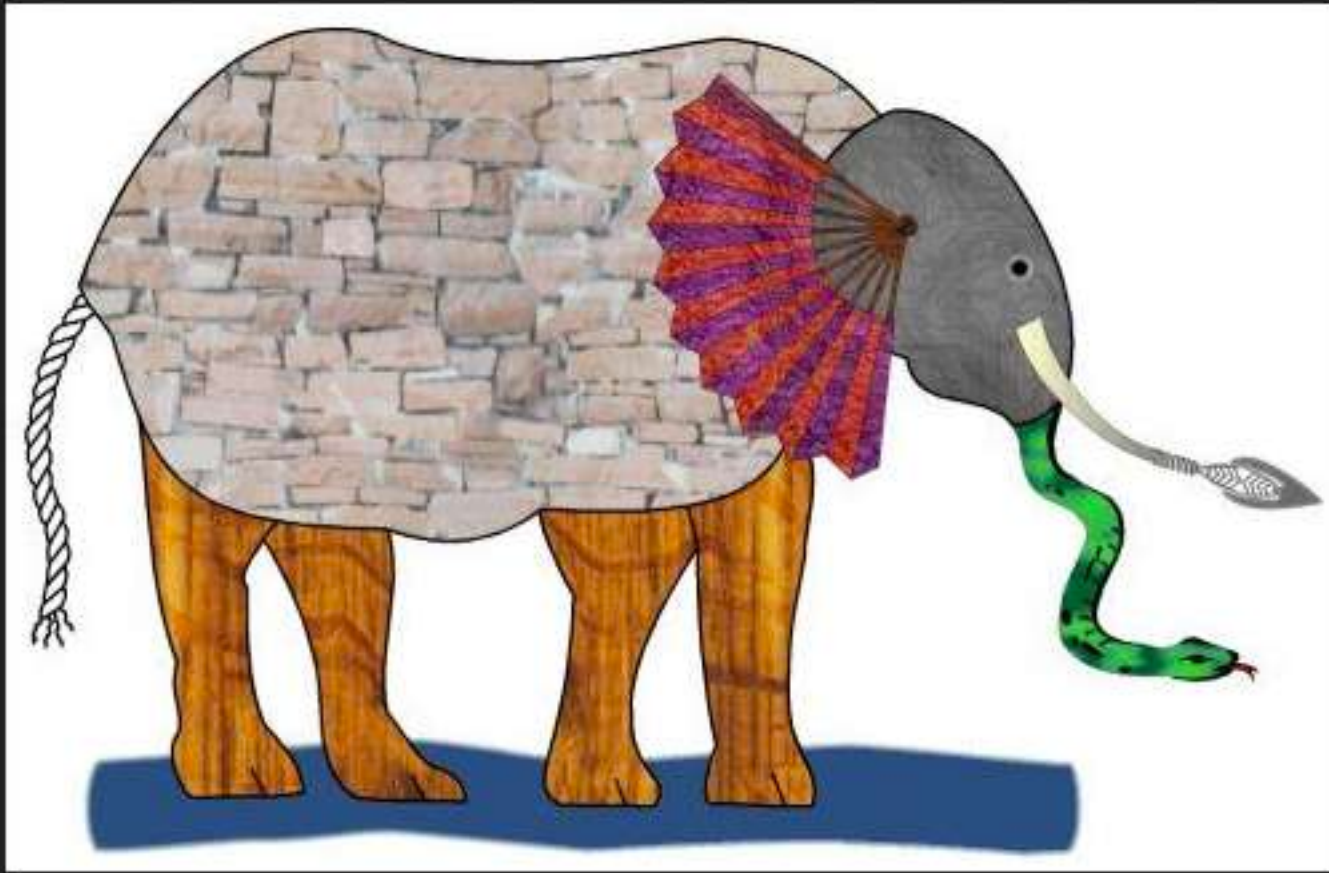
- 1) Creationism & Evolution
– Our Origin Story
(Jan 21 am & pm)
- 2) Affirming & Traditional
– Human Sexuality & Gender
(Feb 4 am, Feb 11 pm)
- 3) Prosperity & Poverty
– Our relationship with Money
(Feb 25 am)

NAILED IT



FAILED IT





1 Corinthians 13:12

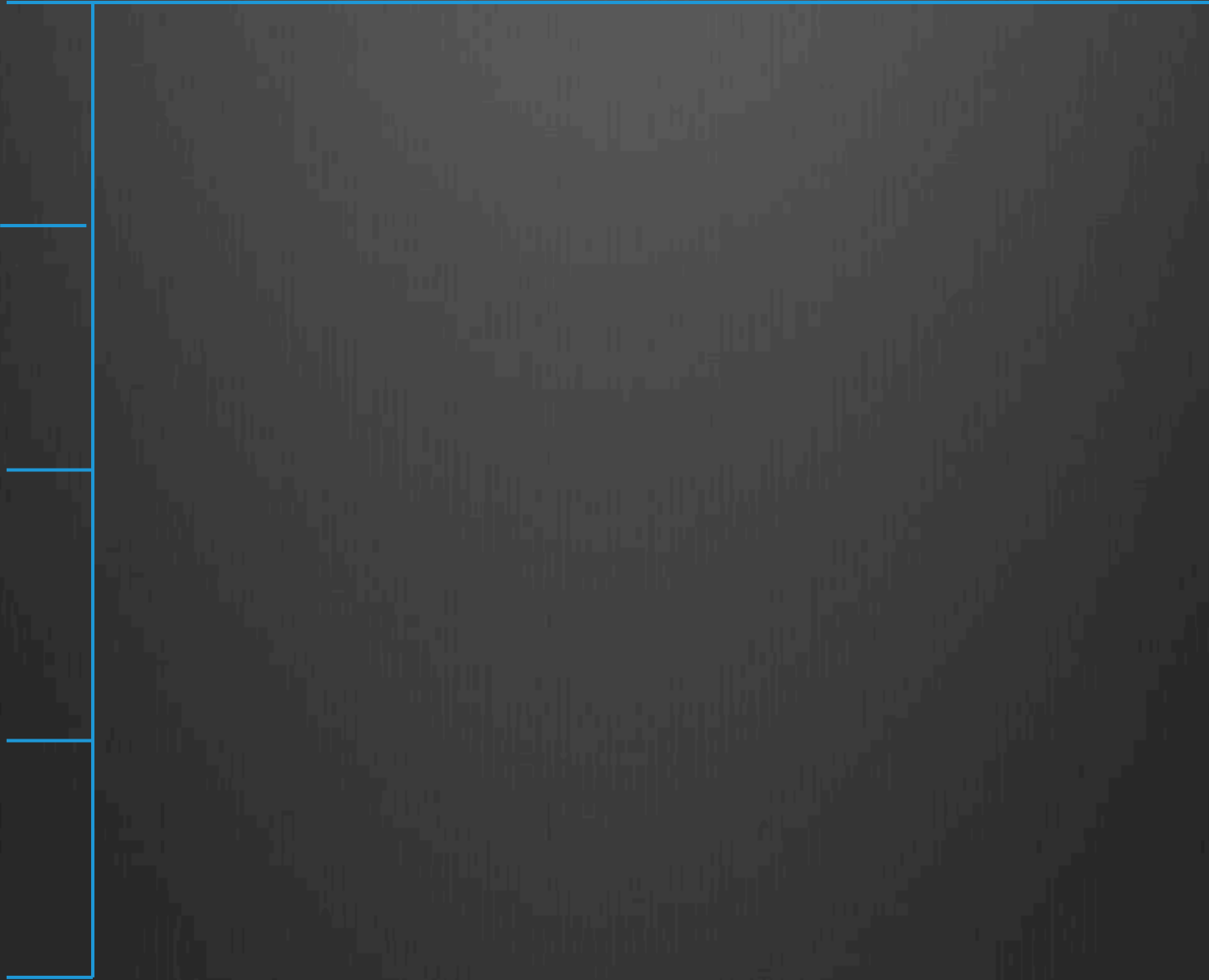
Now we see things imperfectly, like puzzling reflections in a mirror, but then we will see everything with perfect clarity. All that I know now is partial and incomplete, but then I will know everything completely, just as God now knows me completely.



CHURCH HISTORY

Jewish

4 B.C.

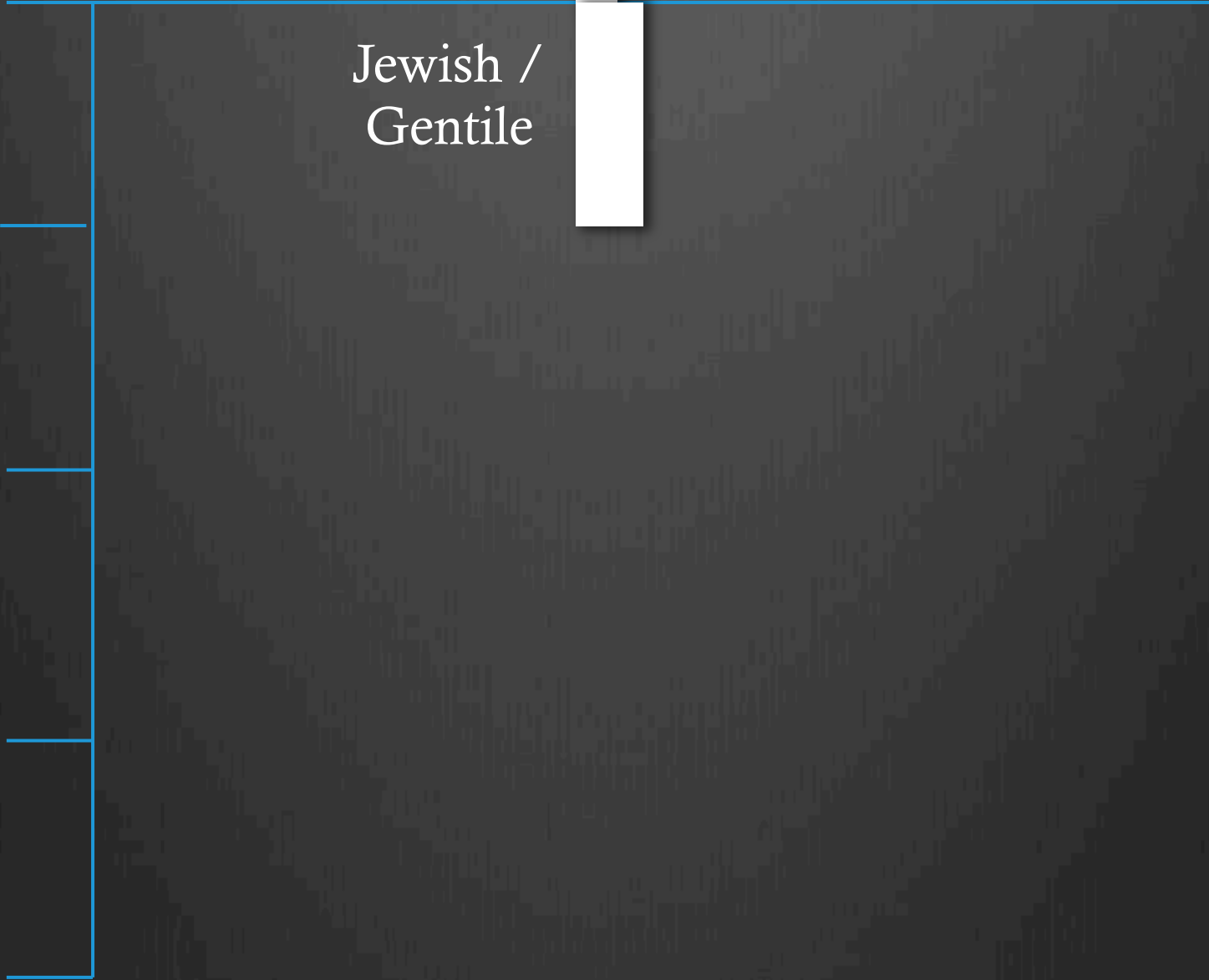


Jewish

Jesus

4 B.C.

Jewish /
Gentile



Jewish

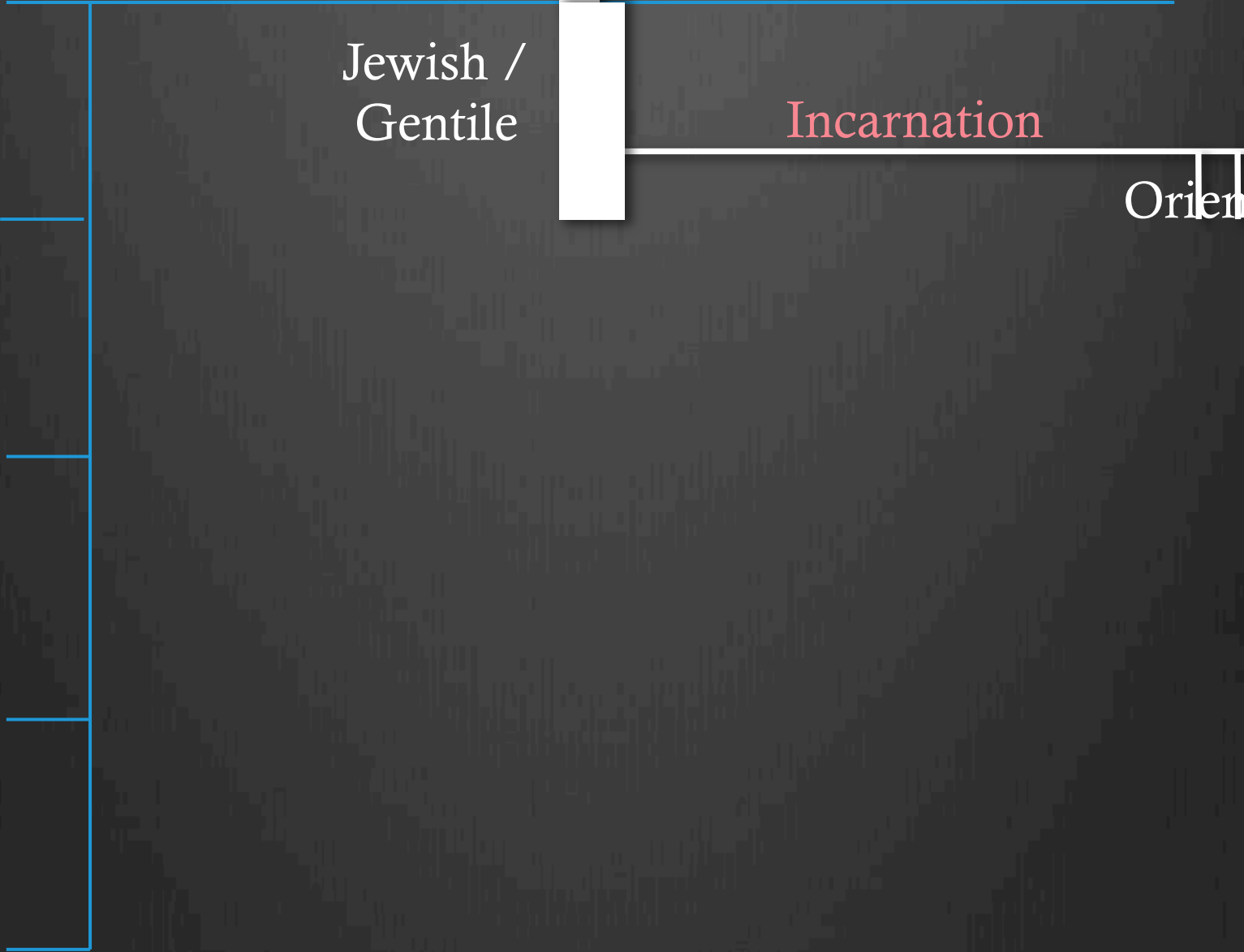
Jesus

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Incarnation

Oriental



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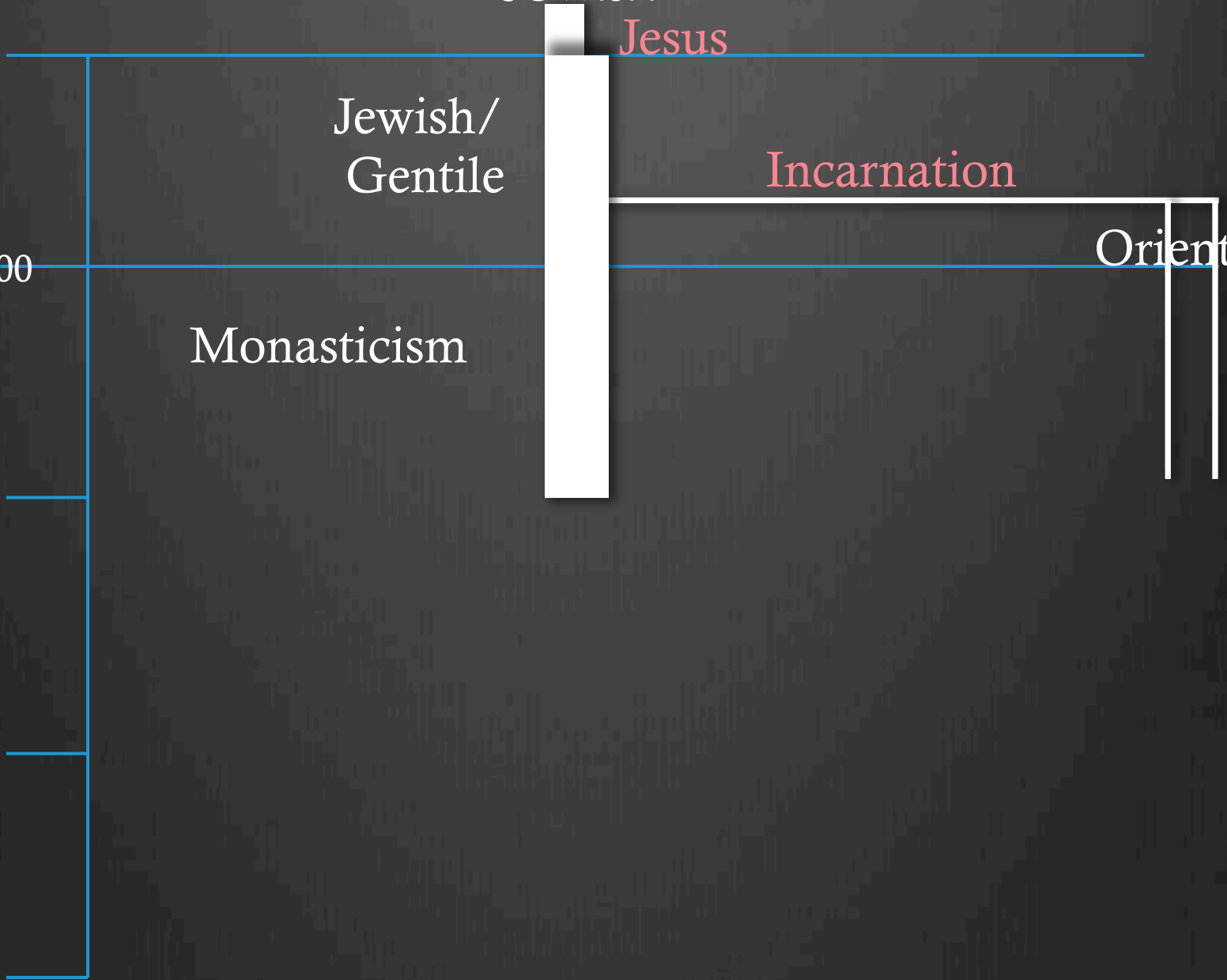
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Monasticism



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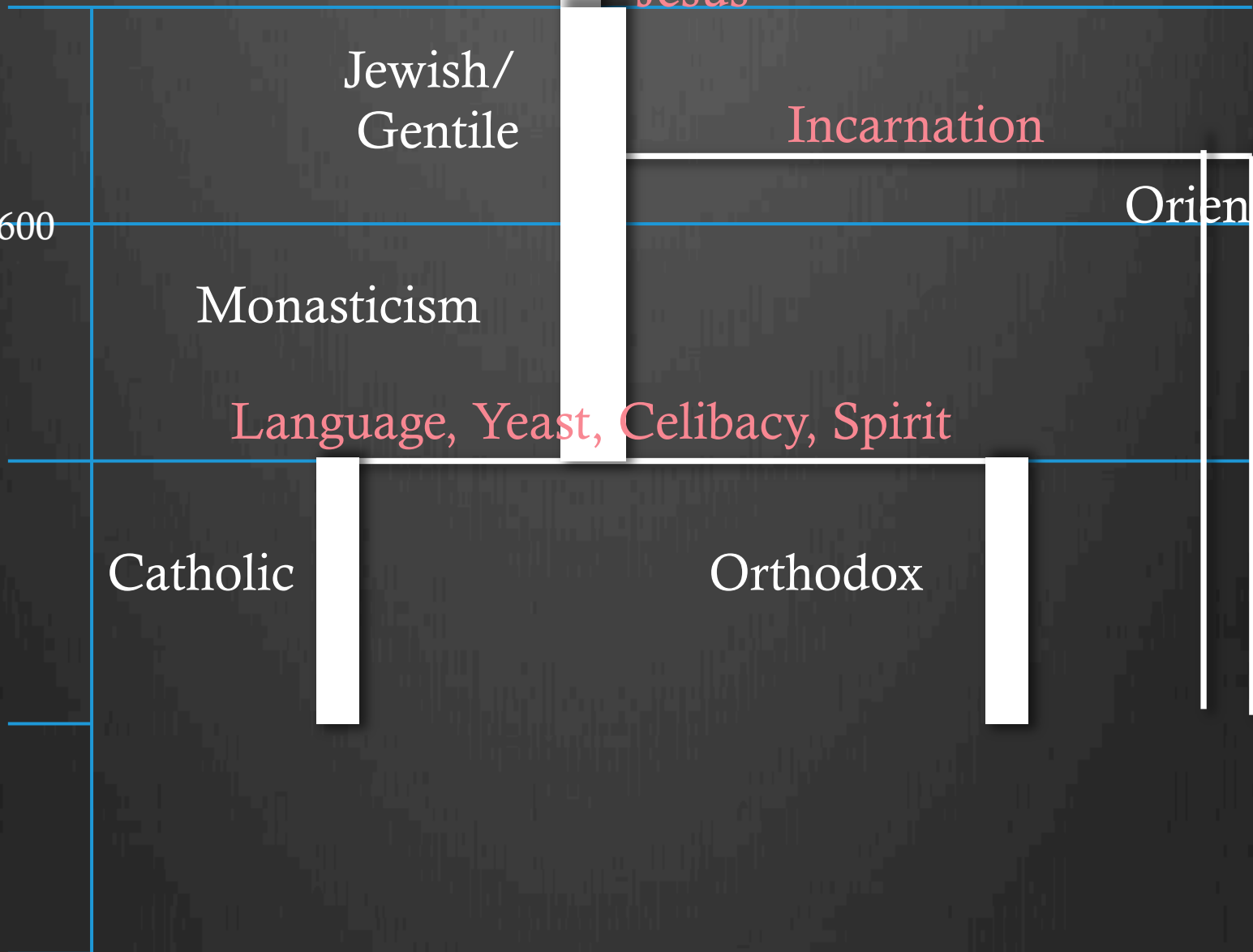
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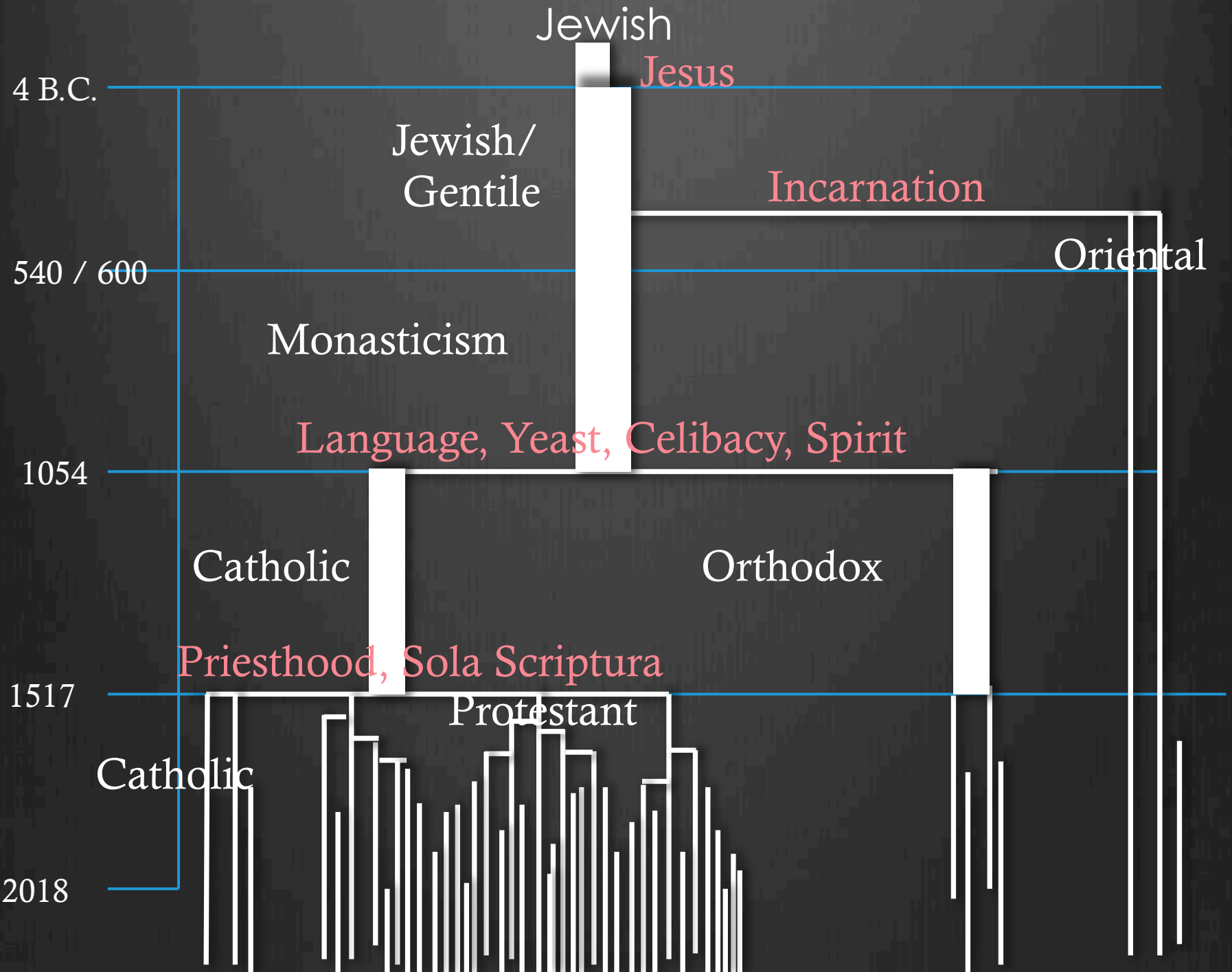
Language, Yeast, Celibacy, Spirit

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Catholic

Orthodox

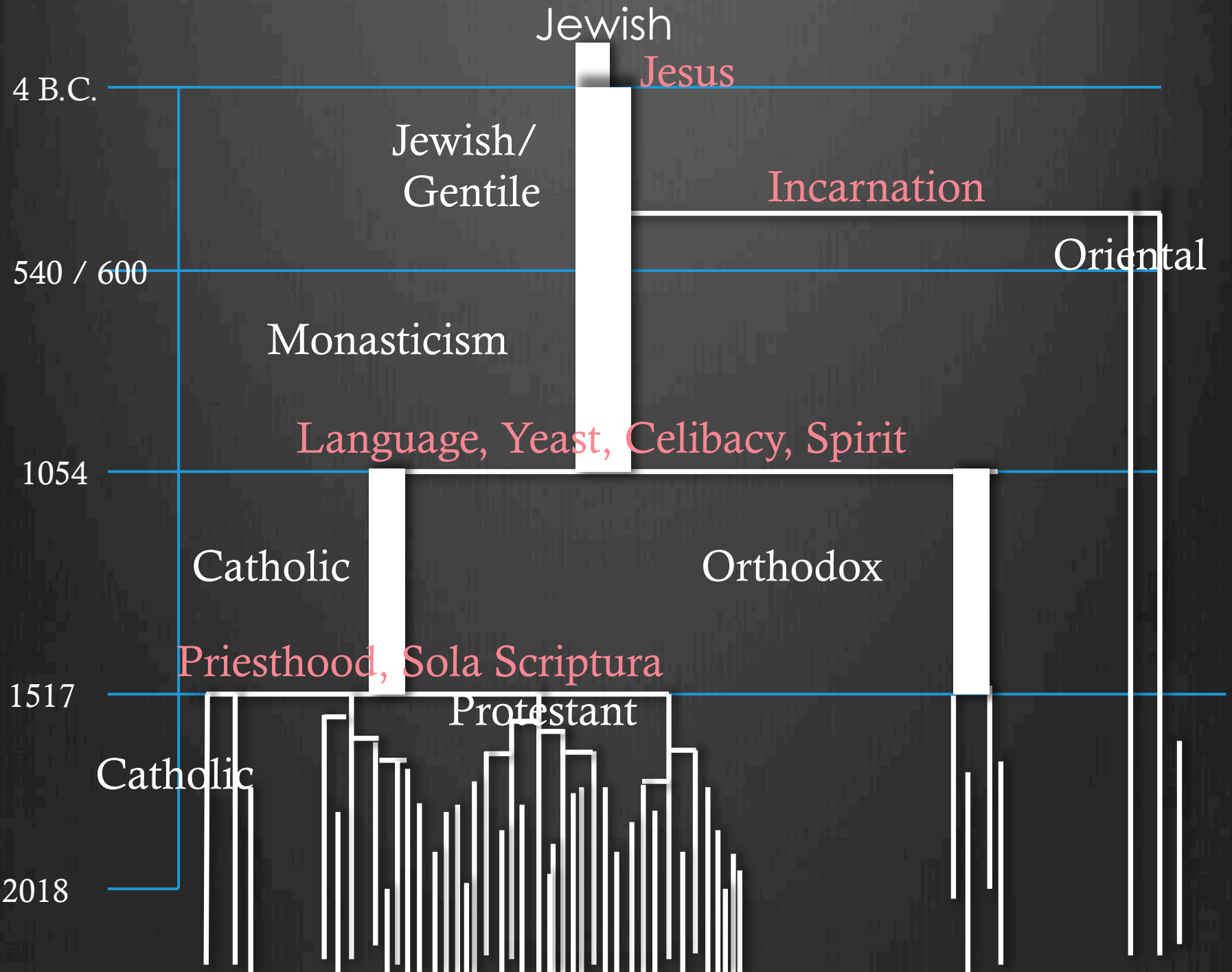




- Alliance of Baptists
- American Baptist Association
- American Baptist Churches USA
- Association of Baptist Churches in Ireland
- Association of Reformed Baptist Churches of America
- Association of Regular Baptist Churches
- Baptist Bible Fellowship International
- Baptist Conference of the Philippines
- Baptist Convention of Ontario and Quebec
- Baptist Convention of Western Cuba
- Baptist General Conference of Canada
- Baptist General Convention of Texas
- Baptist General Conference (Sweden)
- Baptist Missionary Association of America
- Baptist Union of Australia
- Baptist Union of Great Britain
- Baptist Union of New Zealand
- Baptist Union of Scotland
- Baptist Union of Western Canada
- Baptist World Alliance
- Canadian Baptist Ministries
- Canadian Convention of Southern Baptists
- Central Baptist Association
- Central Canada Baptist Conference
- Christian Unity Baptist Association
- Conservative Baptist Association
- Conservative Baptist Association of America
- Continental Baptist Churches
- Convención Nacional Bautista de Mexico
- Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches
- Convention of Baptist Churches of Northern Circars
- Cooperative Baptist Fellowship
- Council of Baptist Churches in Northeast India
- Council of Baptist Churches in Northern India
- European Baptist Convention

- Independent Baptist Church of America
- Independent Baptist Fellowship International
- Independent Baptist Fellowship of North America
- Interstate & Foreign Landmark Missionary Baptist Association
- Landmark Baptist Church
- Liberty Baptist Fellowship
- Manipur Baptist Convention
- Myanmar Baptist Convention
- Nagaland Baptist Church Council
- National Association of Free Will Baptists
- National Baptist Convention of America, Inc.
- National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc.
- National Baptist Evangelical Life and Soul Saving Assembly of the U.S
- National Missionary Baptist Convention of America
- National Primitive Baptist Convention of the U.S.A.
- New England Evangelical Baptist Fellowship
- Nigerian Baptist Convention
- North American Baptist Conference
- North Bank Baptist Christian Association
- Norwegian Baptist Union
- Old Baptist Union
- Old Regular Baptist
- Old Time Missionary Baptist
- Primitive Baptist
- Primitive Baptist Universalism
- Progressive Baptist
- Progressive National Baptist Convention
- Reformed Baptist
- Regular Baptist
- Regular Baptist Churches, General Association of
- Samavesam of Telugu Baptist Churches
- Separate Baptist
 - Separate Baptists in Christ
- Seventh Day Baptist
- Southeast Conservative Baptist

- European Baptist Federation
- Evangelical Baptist Mission of South Haiti
- Evangelical Free Baptist Church
- Fellowship of Evangelical Baptist Churches in Canada
- Free Will Baptist Church
- Fundamental Baptist Fellowship of America
- General Association of Baptists
- General Association of General Baptists
- General Association of Regular Baptist Churches
- General Conference of the Evangelical Baptist Church, Inc.
- General Six-Principle Baptists
- Independent Baptist
- Southeast Conservative Baptist
- Southern Baptist Convention
- Southern Baptists of Texas
- Sovereign Grace Baptists
- Strict Baptists or Particular Baptists
- Two-Seed-in-the-Spirit Predestinarian Baptists
- Union d'Églises baptistes françaises au Canada
- United American Free Will Baptist Church
- United American Free Will Baptist Conference
- United Baptist
- United Baptist Convention of the Atlantic Provinces
- United Free Will Baptist
- World Baptist Fellowship



REASONS A CHURCH MIGHT SPLIT / EXPAND:

Different forms of Expression / Focus

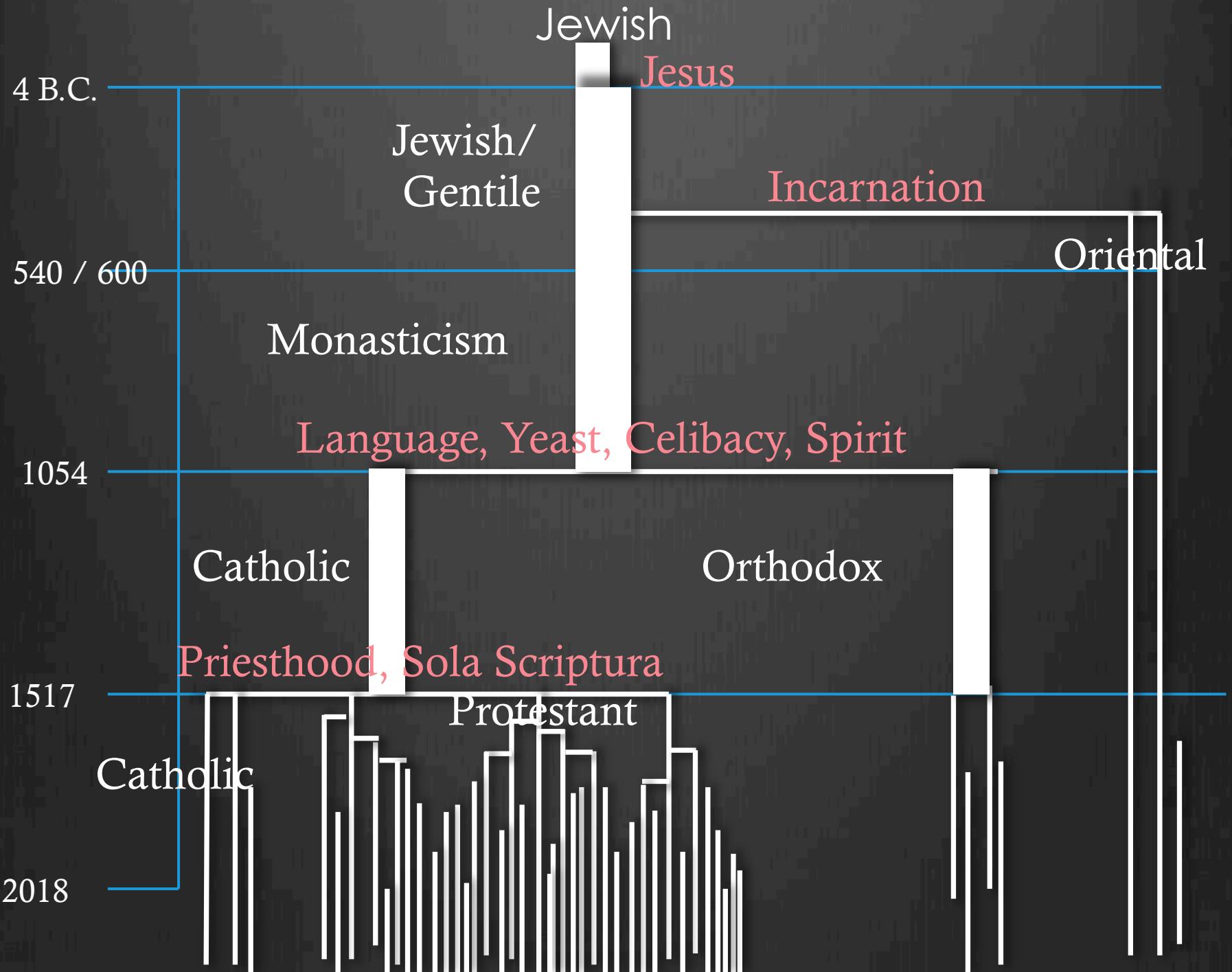
-cultural, geographical, historical roots,
liturgical, Spirit-filled, Bible, missions, social
justice

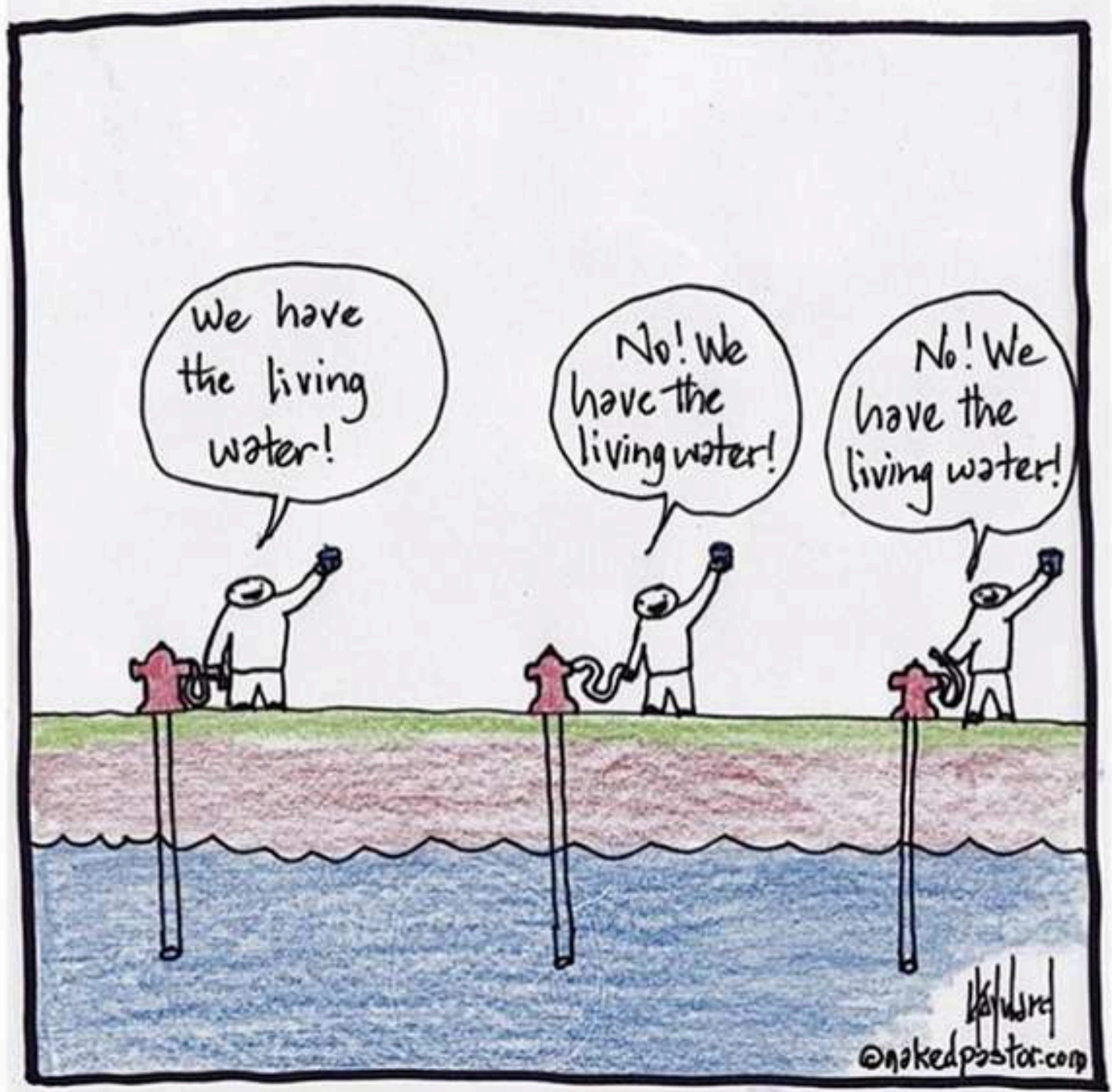
Different views on Authority

- pope, priest, pastor, community
- Bible, tradition, Spirit, Experience

Different views on Theology

- Holy Spirit
- Hermeneutics (how we interpret the Bible)
- Sacraments (Baptism, Eucharist, etc.)
- Kingdom of God – earthly life, after death,
the end times.





We have the living water!

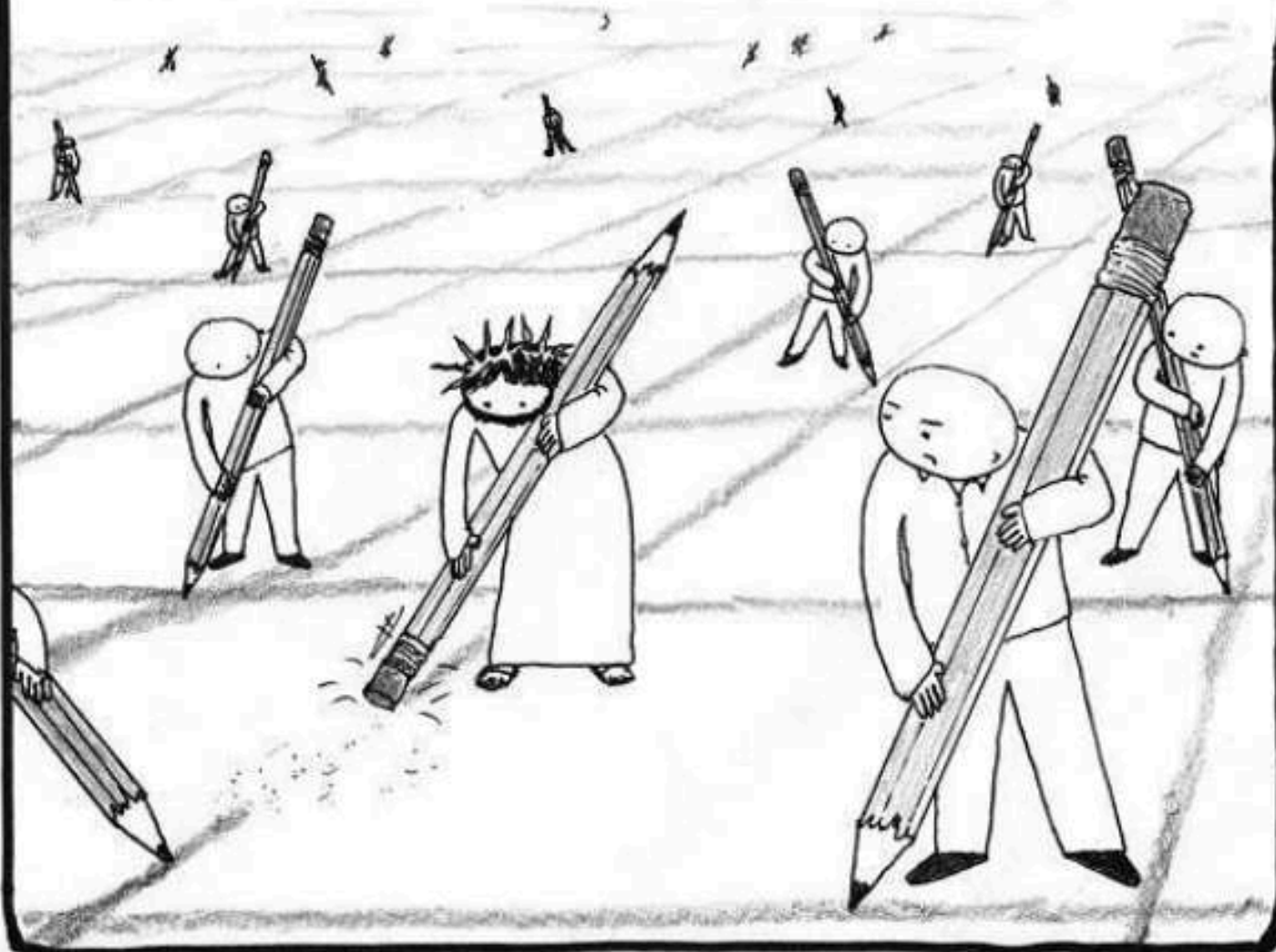
No! We have the living water!

No! We have the living water!

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Hayward





C.S. Lewis heretic

CS Lewis- Heretic burning in hell. | Landover Baptist Church

www.landoverbaptist.net/index.php/2015/11/01/cs-lewis-heretic-burning-in-hell/ ▼

Nov 1, 2015 - cs_lewis-heretic Many Christians treat **CS Lewis'** words as canon. He is one of the best selling authors in history with over 2 million copies of his books moved off the shelves still yearly. Many so called evangelicals gobble his books up and even buy them for their adolescent children when they question ...

C.S. Lewis Was No Christian! - Jesus-is-savior.com

https://www.jesus-is-savior.com/Wolves/cs_lewis.htm ▼

How much more evidence do you need, to see that **C.S. Lewis** was an unsaved heretic. Lewis exploited the name of Jesus Christ, as do many Modernists today, to secure a profitable writing career. You had better get your doctrine from the Word of God; and not from the latest New York Times Bestseller! In John 5:39 Jesus ...

C.S. Lewis Fraud - False Teacher - SafeGuardYourSoul with God's Word

safeguardyoursoul.com › Apostasy ▼

Nov 29, 2012 - In the above quote from **C.S. Lewis**, not only did he announce his "respect for Pagan myths" but also called the contents of the Bible "myths." But Jesus called God's Word "truth" when He prayed to the Father, "Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth." (John 17:17). **C.S. Lewis** was clearly a heretic.

Wolves in Costume: Billy Graham - Creation Liberty Evangelism

www.creationliberty.com/articles/graham.php ▼

Jul 17, 2013 - Notice that **Billy Graham** stated that one of his prime purposes was to "help churches in a community," and to Graham, this means ALL churches, even ones that are teaching **heresy** and abomination against the Lord Jesus Christ. For the past 60 years and counting, Graham has been adding converts to ...

Why Mother Teresa Was Not A Saint - Catholic Church

www.mostholyfamilymonastery.com/catholicchurch/mother-teresa-was-not-a-saint/ ▼

No, **Mother Teresa** was not a Christian. She was a total heretic, religious indifferentist and apostate, as the video proves to anyone who cares at all about God's revelation and Catholic teaching. No, the Catholic Church did not canonize her. She was 'canonized' by an apostate antipope of the Vatican II sect (the end-times ...

FALSE TEACHERS EXPOSED! Rob Bell, Brian Houston, John Piper ...

christiantoday.com.au/.../false-teachers-exposed-rob-bell-brian-houston-john-piper-bi... ▼

"Ye shalt locate false teachers from online evidence or in person whilst they preacheth and drive public campaigns against them. Making sure everyone knows just how shocking they are, thou shalt pick at the teaching of others and bring to light their heretic ways. Attack their theology in any way it does not align with thine ...

Martin Luther King - False Prophet - Bible Watchman

www.biblewatchman.com/mlk.htm ▼

The 'Reverend' Dr. Martin Luther King was a heretic and a false prophet who 'preached' a social gospel using black churches as a spring board. He denied the basic tenets of the Christian faith as you can find out by surfing the web. A King quote about the Sonship of Christ says -. "The first doctrine of our discussion which ...

N. T. Wright the Heretic | Effectual Grace

effectualgrace.com/2017/07/28/n-t-wright-the-heretic/ ▼

Jul 28, 2017 - The following is an insightful article entitled "N.T. Wright's Long Farewell" by Ron Henzel (original source here). If you want a quick-but-tedious way to separate some of the shallower evanjellyfish from the more theologically-serious evangelicals in your circle of friends, here's a simple method: call N.T. ...

3 reasons to avoid Hillsong music — Pirate Christian Media

www.piratechristian.com/berean-examiner/2016/.../3-reasons-to-avoid-hillsong-music ▼

Oct 20, 2016 - Are we being fed Goat's Milk without even knowing it? Some of the most popular worship music we sing in churches around the world every Sunday contain flat-out heretical statements. Lyrics that are actually a counterfeit Christianity, slowly lulling us into belief in a different Gospel and a different Jesus.

Why We Should Avoid Dietrich Bonhoeffer - Pulpit & Pen

pulpitandpen.org/2017/01/05/why-not-to-promote-dietrich-bonhoeffer/ ▼

Jan 5, 2017 - The sinlessness of Jesus is essential for the atonement. Without being sinless, His sacrifice would be insufficient and He would no longer be a perfect sacrifice. In fact, He would also cease to be God! To claim otherwise is a heresy I call Peccatheism. **Dietrich Bonhoeffer** was a Peccatheist. This can be read ...

The Beth Moore Cornucopia of False Doctrine, Mysticism, and ...

www.piratechristian.com/.../the-beth-moore-cornucopia-of-false-doctrine-frenetic-spe... ▼

Feb 28, 2017 - **Beth Moore** is a mainstream Evangelical superstar who speaks with an impassioned frenzy that inspires many women to become fanatical followers. She is not (officially) a pastor or theologian, but she serves both of those functions for millions and millions of people in the church. She first gained popularity ...

John Wimber is Satan | The Life Less Faithful

<https://faithinconsistent.wordpress.com/2011/09/08/john-wimber-is-satan/> ▼

Sep 8, 2011 - **John Wimber**, founder and director of the Association of Vineyard Churches, died November 17, 1997 of a brain hemorrhage following a fall and recent coronary bypass surgery. He was 63 years old. From its beginnings in the 1970s, Wimber's Vineyard movement has grown to approximately 450 U.S. ...

Martin Luther: The greatest heretic in human history | Jesus & Maria site

www.jesumariasite.org/martin-luther-the-greatest-heretic-in-human-history/ ▼

Oct 3, 2016 - But Luther was far too intelligent not to understand that unholiness of churchmen does not compromise the sanctity of the Church itself. St. Francis of Assisi understood it, certainly wiser than Luther but undoubtedly less educated, and so the monk (**martin Luther**) who will translate the entire Bible into ...

Defrauding Millions: Bethel Church and Benny Hinn Together - Pulpit ...

pulpitandpen.org/2017/.../defrauding-millions-bethel-church-and-benny-hinn-togethe... ▼

Jan 18, 2017 - And that church is **Bethel Church** in Redding, California. **Bethel Church** is a New Apostolic Reformation (NAR) church pastored by the "Apostle," Bill Johnson. **Bethel Church** is a hothouse for serious theological error and **heresy**. Bill Johnson and his associates are advocates of the heresy known as Word of ...

Tim Keller's False Gospel: A Point-By-Point Analysis

www.teachingtheword.org/apps/articles/?blogid=5449&articleid=77114 ▼

Timothy Keller promotes a "gospel" designed to be attractive to unregenerated man, but stripped of the Biblical essentials and robbed of Divine power and authority. ... Keller's portrayal of the cross-work of Christ in this section of his presentation also revives a long-standing **heresy**: "By his sacrificial life and death he both ...

Why is The Message (Bible) not safe ? – For the Love of His Truth

<https://fortheloveofhistruth.com/2011/10/07/why-is-the-message-bible-not-safe/> ▼

Oct 7, 2011 - By Justin Peters A Brief (and by no means exhaustive) Summary of Passages Contained Within "The Message" by **Eugene Peterson** Which Directly ... This is **heresy**. Conclusion: Pick up a copy of The Message and you will see on its front cover "The Bible in Contemporary Language." The Message is NOT ...

Corrie Ten Boom: Beware of False Teaching of Pre-Tribulation ...

<https://z3news.com/w/corrie-ten-boom-beware-false-teaching-pretribulation-rapture/> ▼

Apr 24, 2015 - During World War 2 **Corrie Ten Boom** and her family were arrested by the Germans for the crime of helping Jewish people hide. She was sent to a concentration camp and endured great hardships, but she survived. In 1974 **Corrie Ten Boom** wrote the letter shown below to warn Christians about the false ...

Yet Another False Teacher Henri Nouwen. : I Want To Help Recognize ...

www.experienceproject.com/stories/Want-To-Help-Recognize-False.../3351407 ▼

Yet Another False Teacher **Henri Nouwen**. : A true, personal story from the experience, I Want To Help Recognize False Christianity. Another promoted false teacher Today would like to bring attention to **Henri Nouwen**, one of the more popular contemplative New Age mystics. He has been popularized by people such as ...

Beware Of Max Lucado's False Gospel - Soulwinning.info

https://www.soulwinning.info/wolves/max_lucado.htm ▼

I kindly mentioned to the Southern Baptist lady (who owns the store with her husband) that **Max Lucado** is a Church of Christ minister who believes a corrupt plan The street jingo, hip hop, Ebonics, "Get down and go daddy, yo hubba bubba" language of the MSG is irreverent to God (not to mention as heretical as can be).

The Vineyard, the Charismatic Church, and the Cults

www.deceptioninthechurch.com/cultsandcharismatic.html ▼

The Vineyard, the Charismatic Church, and the Cults. September 2002. (Updated January2005). Table of Contents. The Vineyard, the Charismatic Church, and the Cults 2. Why I Write 2. The Walk 3. The Vineyard 9. Night of the Living Dead 10. The "Blessing" Comes to Toronto 10. The Charismatic Church 12. Saved by ...

False Teacher - Shane Claiborne - The Gospel of Do-Gooding by ...

www.thepathoftruth.com/false-teachers/shane-claiborne.htm ▼

Aug 7, 2016 - False Teacher Exposed on The Path of Truth - Shane Claiborne.

Paul The First Heretic

https://www.sol.com.au/kor/7_02.htm ▼

Paul The First Heretic ... Paul taught that the whole function of Jesus centred on his death which released the faithful from the burden of their sins, their misery and the power of Satan. In fact not a single According to Saint Mark's gospel, his followers lived on the Sea of Galilee (Lake Tiberias), probably in Capernaum.

HURTS OTHERS

HURTS OURSELVES

HURTS THE CHURCH

HURTS THE WORLD

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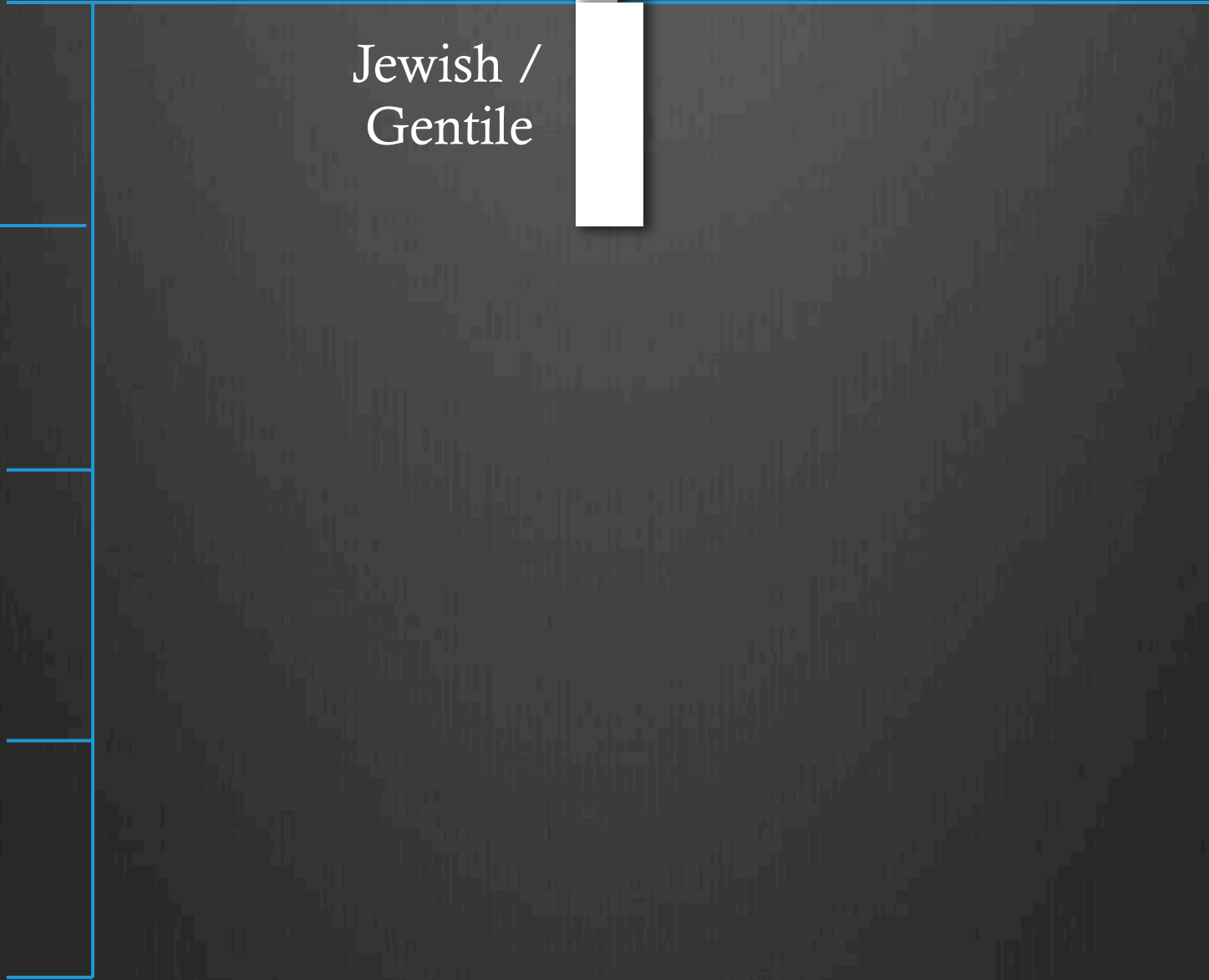
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ST. PHILIP
THE DEACON

HOLY
ETHIOPIAN

Like a sheep
he was led to
the slaughter







Acts 15

1 While Paul and Barnabas were at **Antioch of Syria**, some **men from Judea** arrived and began to teach the believers[a]: “Unless you are circumcised as required **by the law of Moses**, you cannot be saved.” **2** Paul and Barnabas **disagreed** with them, arguing vehemently. Finally, the church decided to **send Paul and Barnabas to Jerusalem, accompanied by some local believers**, to talk to the apostles and elders about this question. **3** The church sent the delegates to Jerusalem, and they stopped along the way in Phoenicia and Samaria to visit the believers. They told them—much to everyone’s joy—that **the Gentiles, too**, were being converted.

4 When they arrived **in Jerusalem**, Barnabas and Paul were welcomed by the whole church, including the apostles and elders. They reported everything God had done through them. **5** But then some of the believers who belonged to the sect of the Pharisees stood up and insisted, “The Gentile converts must be circumcised and required to follow the law of Moses.”

6 So the apostles and elders met together to resolve this issue.

7 At the meeting, after a **long discussion**, Peter stood and addressed them as follows: “Brothers, you all know that God chose me from among you some time ago to preach to the Gentiles so that they could hear the Good News and believe. **8** God knows people’s hearts, and he **confirmed that he accepts Gentiles by giving them the Holy Spirit, just as he did to us.** **9** He made no distinction between us and them, for he cleansed their hearts through faith. **10** So why are you now **challenging God** by burdening the Gentile believers[b] with a yoke that neither we nor our ancestors were able to bear? **11** We believe that we are all saved the same way, by the **undeserved grace** of the Lord Jesus.”

12 *Everyone listened quietly* as Barnabas and Paul told about the miraculous signs and wonders God had done through them among the Gentiles.

13 When they had finished, James stood and said, “Brothers, listen to me. **14** Peter[c] has told you about the time God first visited the Gentiles to take from them a people for himself. **15** And this conversion of Gentiles is exactly **what the prophets predicted**. As it is written:

16 ‘Afterward I will return
and restore the fallen house[d] of David.
I will rebuild its ruins
and restore it,

17 so that the rest of humanity might seek the Lord,
including the Gentiles—
all those I have called to be mine.

The Lord has spoken—

18 he who made these things known so long ago.’ [e]

19 “And so my judgment is that we should not make it difficult for the Gentiles who are turning to God. **20** Instead, we should write and tell them to abstain from eating food offered to idols, from sexual immorality, from eating the meat of strangled animals, and from consuming blood. **21** For these laws of Moses have been preached in Jewish synagogues in every city on every Sabbath for many generations.”

28 “For it seemed good to the Holy Spirit and to us to lay no greater burden on you than these few requirements: **29** You must abstain from eating food offered to idols, from consuming blood or the meat of strangled animals, and from sexual immorality. If you do this, you will do well. Farewell.”

30 The **messengers** went at once **to Antioch**, where they called a general meeting of the believers and delivered the letter. **31** And there was **great joy throughout the church** that day as they read this encouraging message.

THE SOLUTION: A CREATIVE THIRD WAY APPROACH

4 RULES

Why this?

- Honoured both.
- Alleviated weight for both
- Laying down self - Encouraged a posture of love / compassion towards one another
- Made space for growth

LIVING WELL TOGETHER



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