

Let's speak honestly about the church

Representing reality in a world of
fake news and foggy language



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**“Let your yes be yes
and your no be no.”**
~Jesus



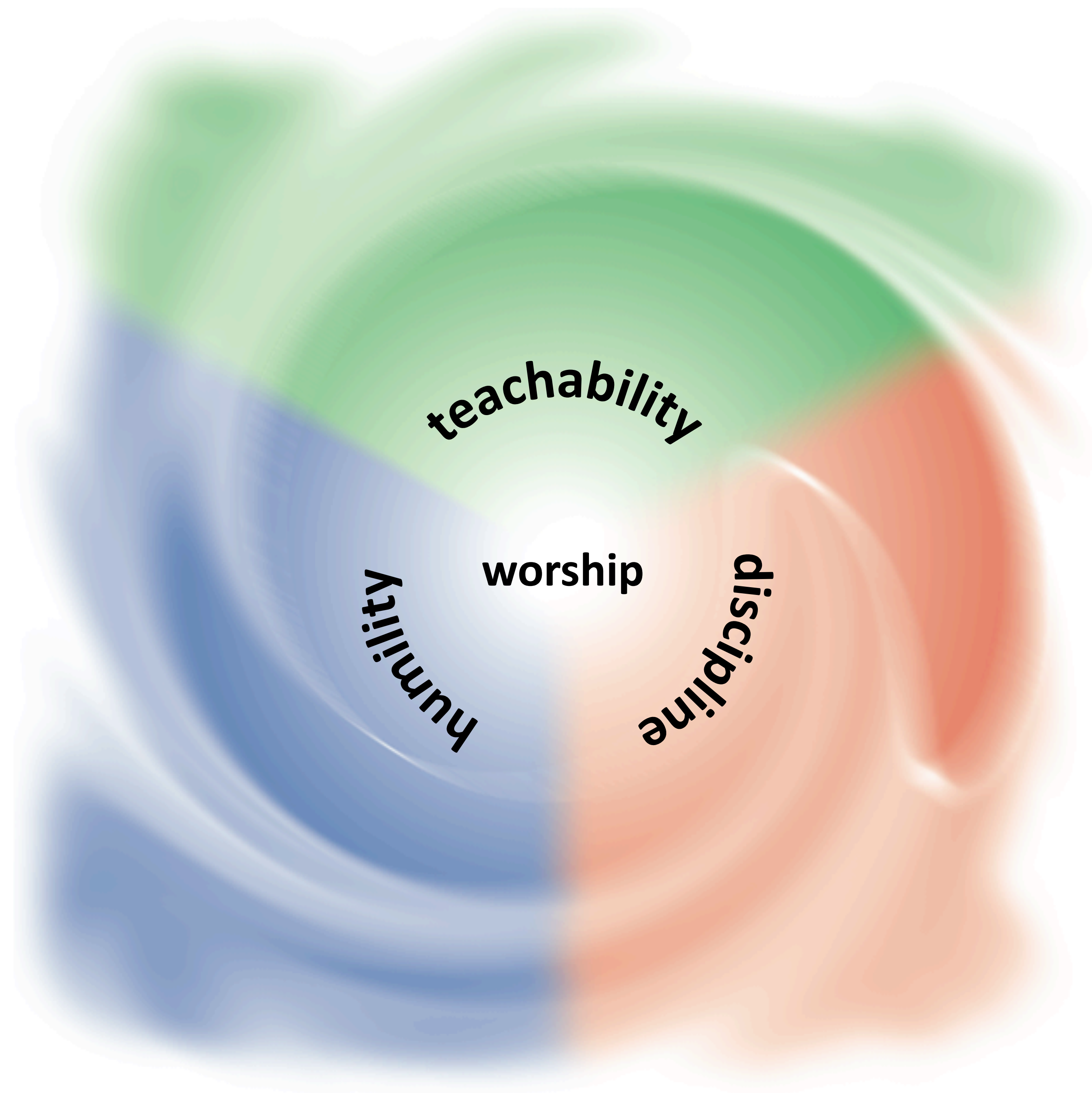
Today we will look at a range of
NCD-related topics that could
be presented much more
clearly within the church.



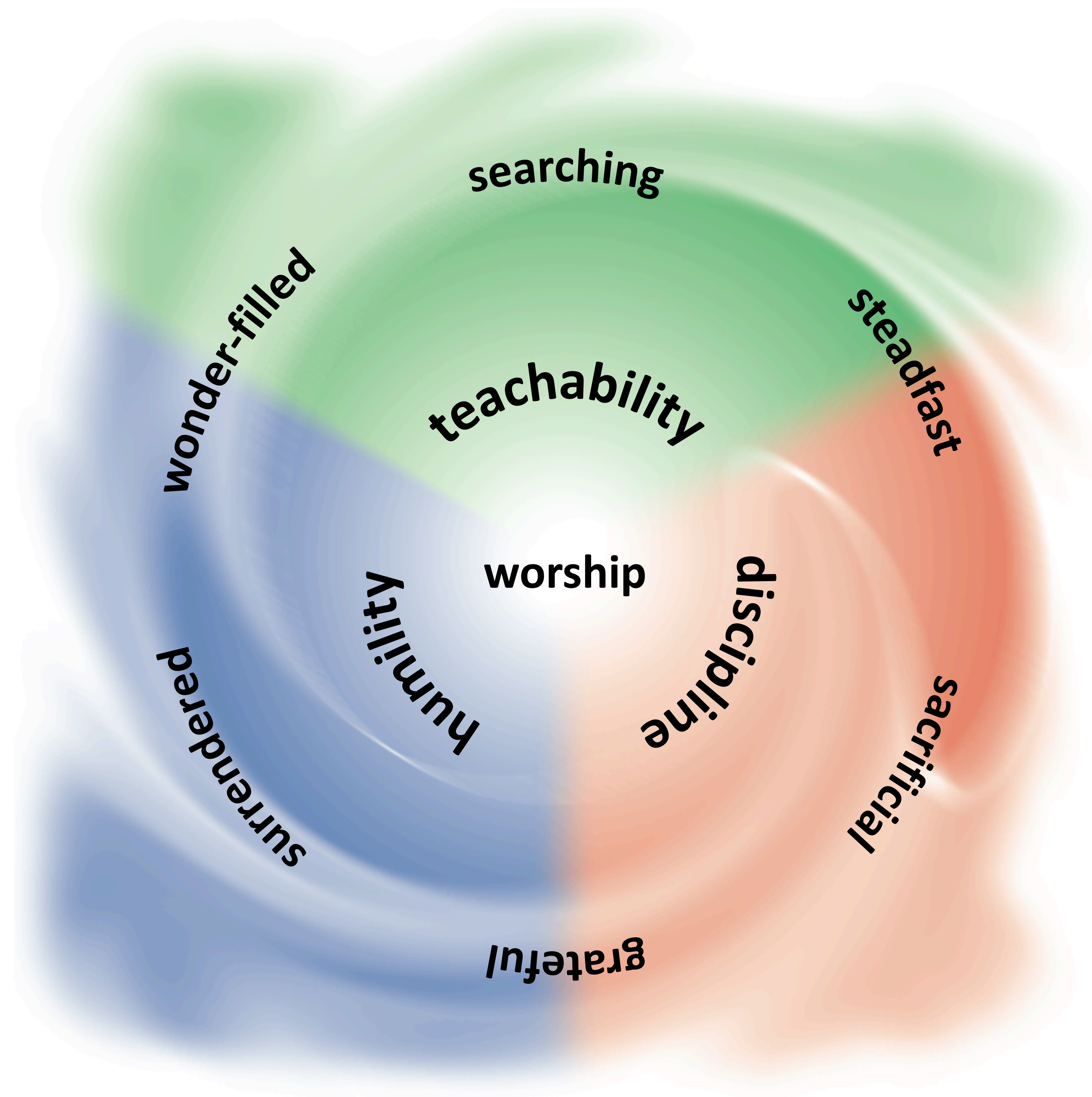
As we look at each topic,
ask yourself,
**“Is this an area in which I need
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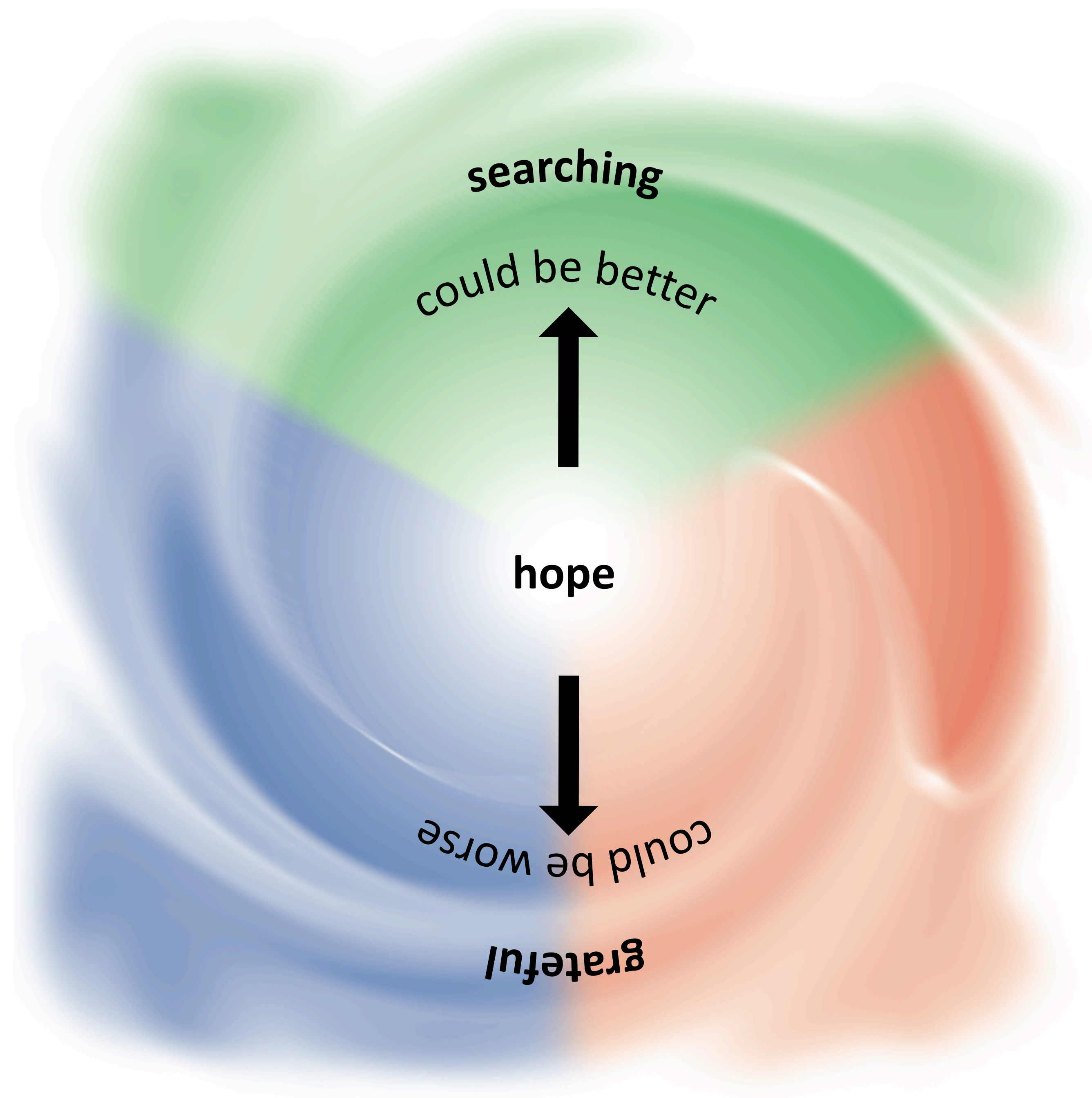
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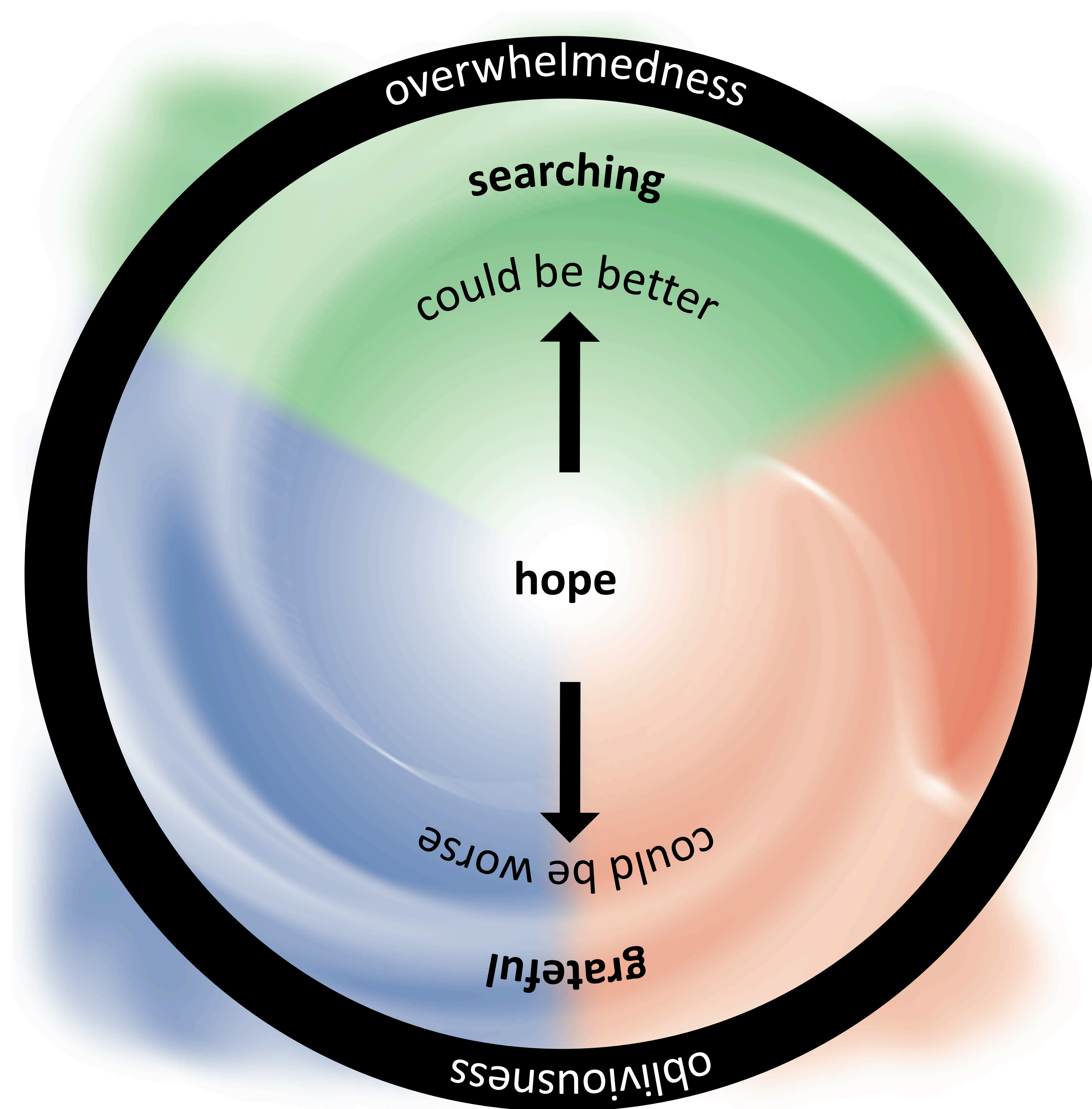
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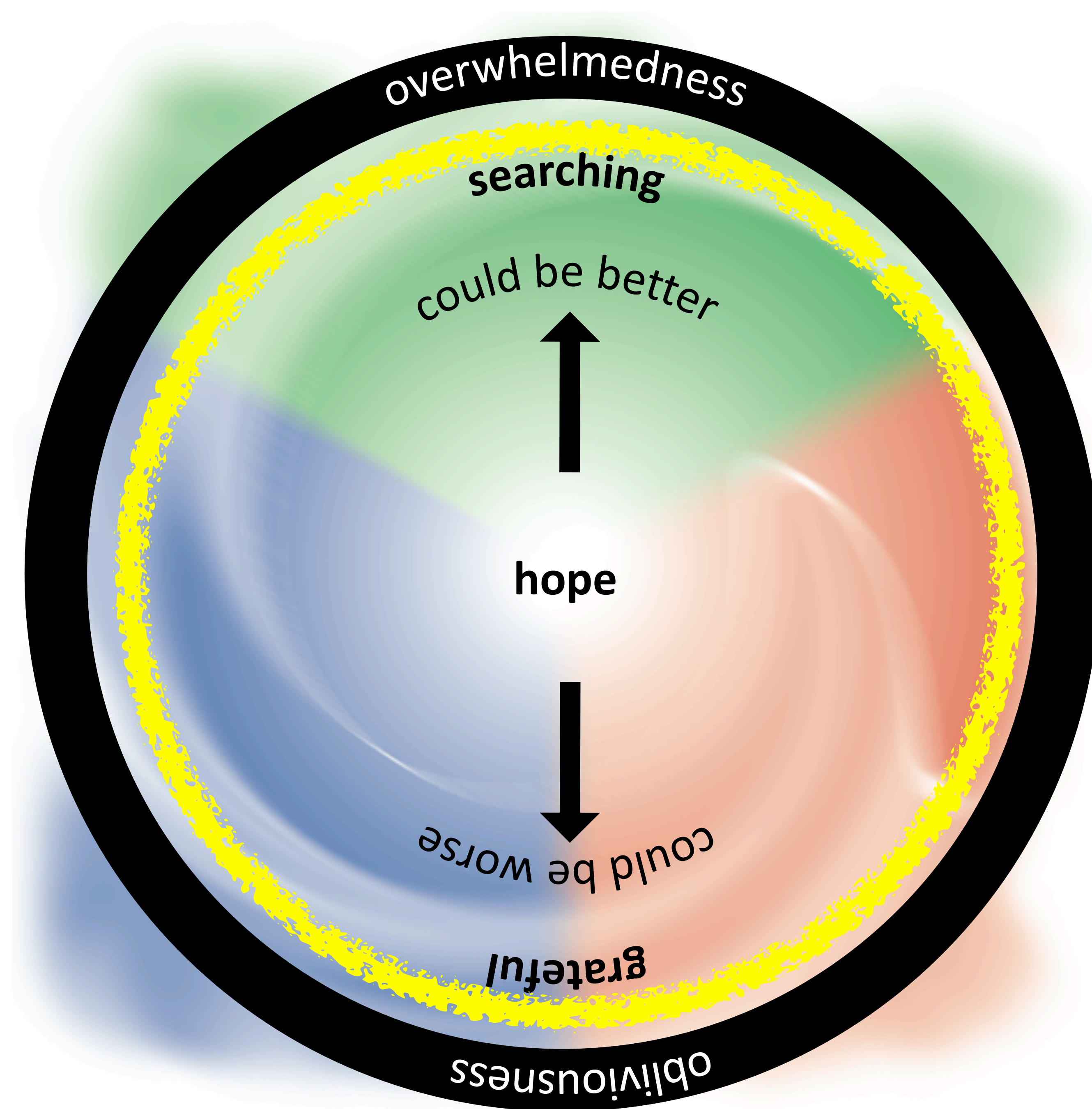
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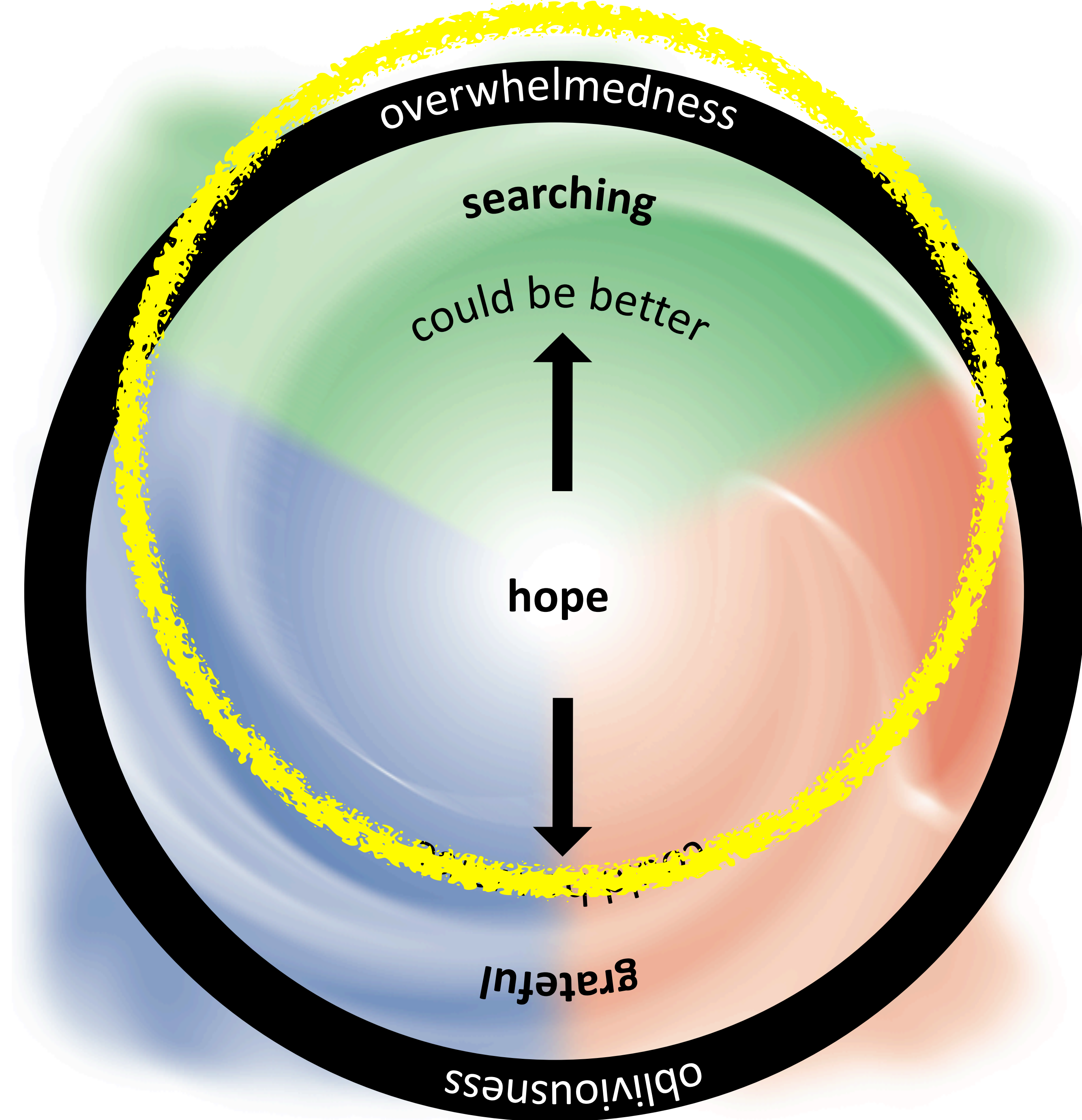
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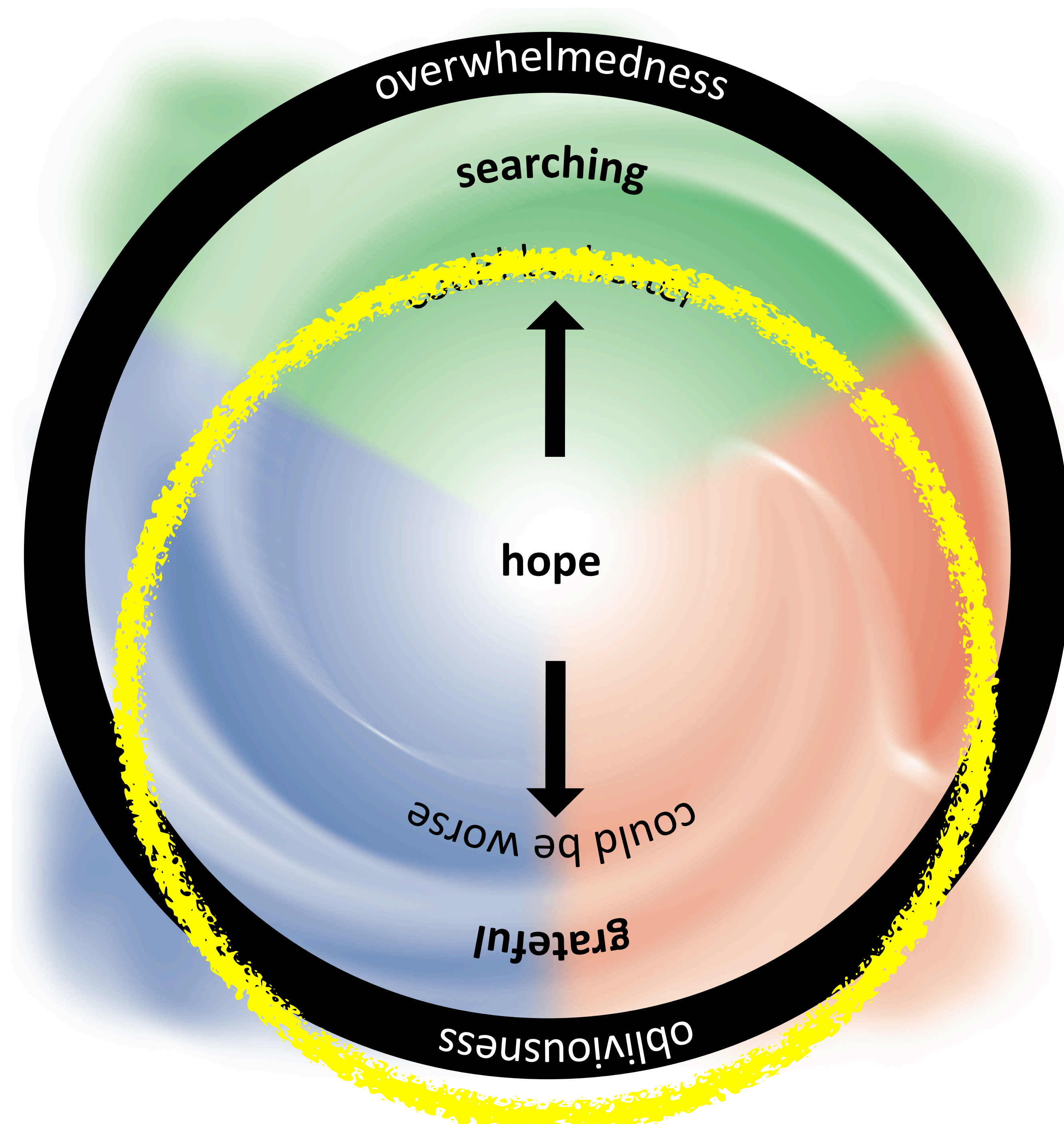
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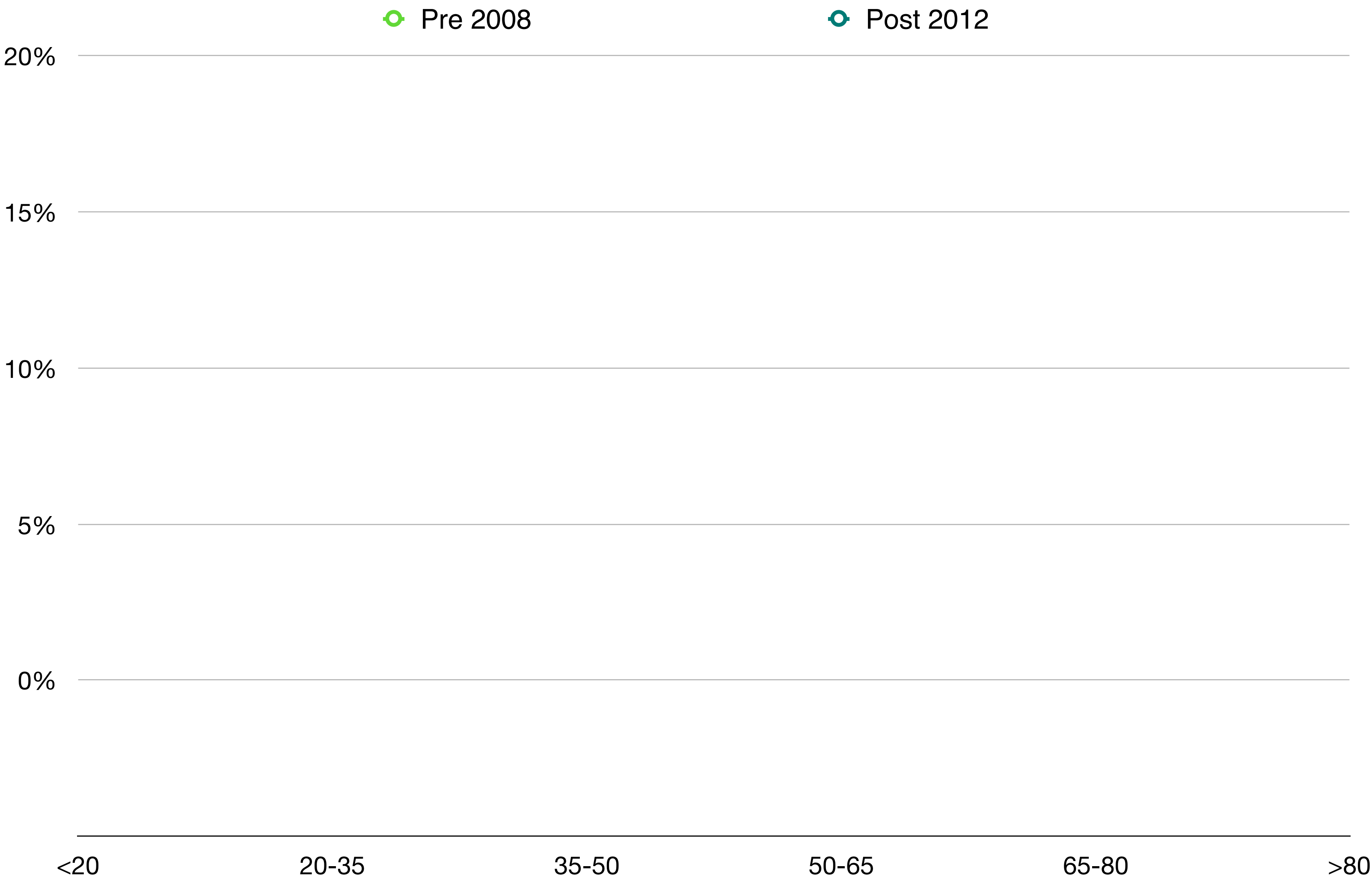
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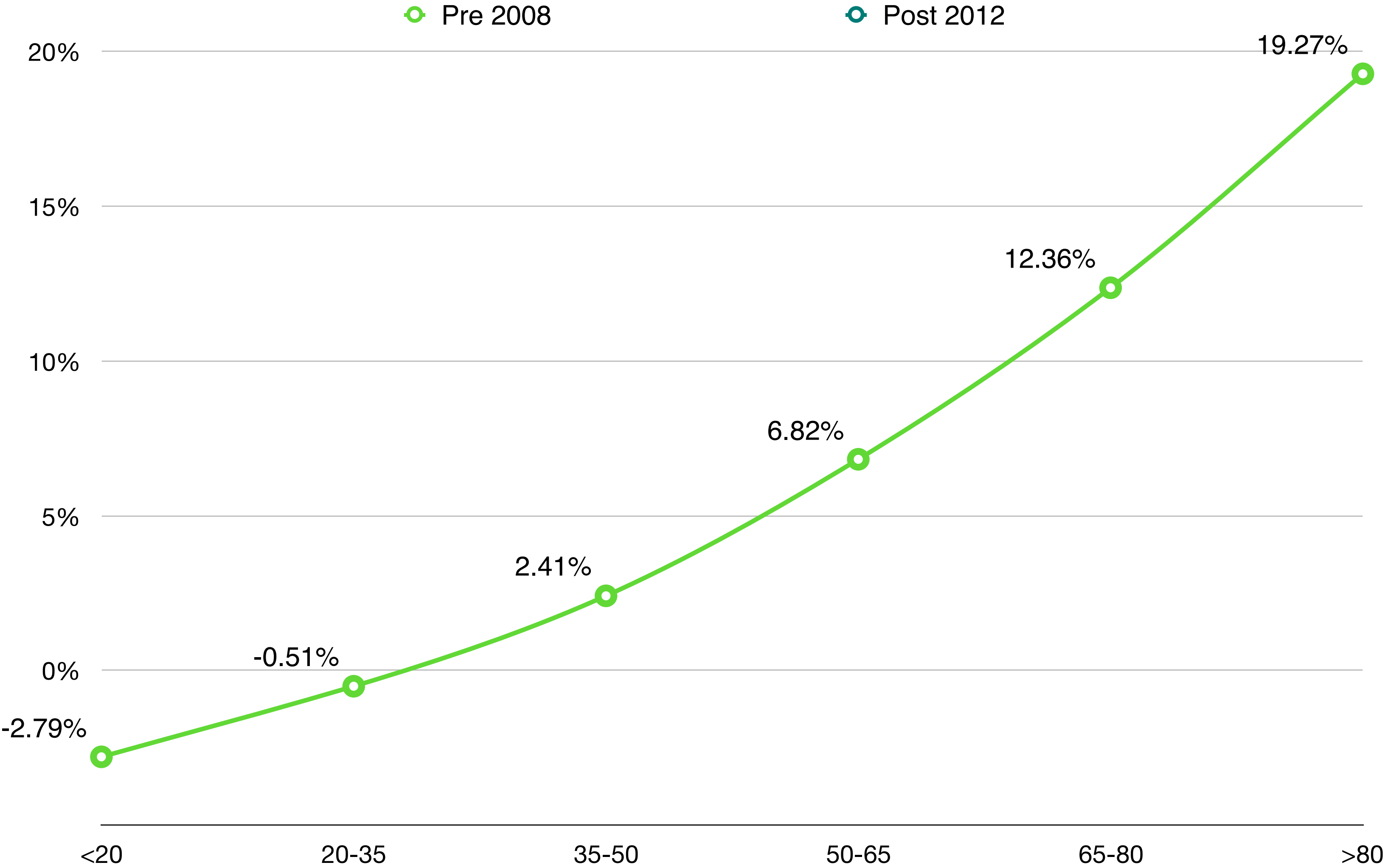
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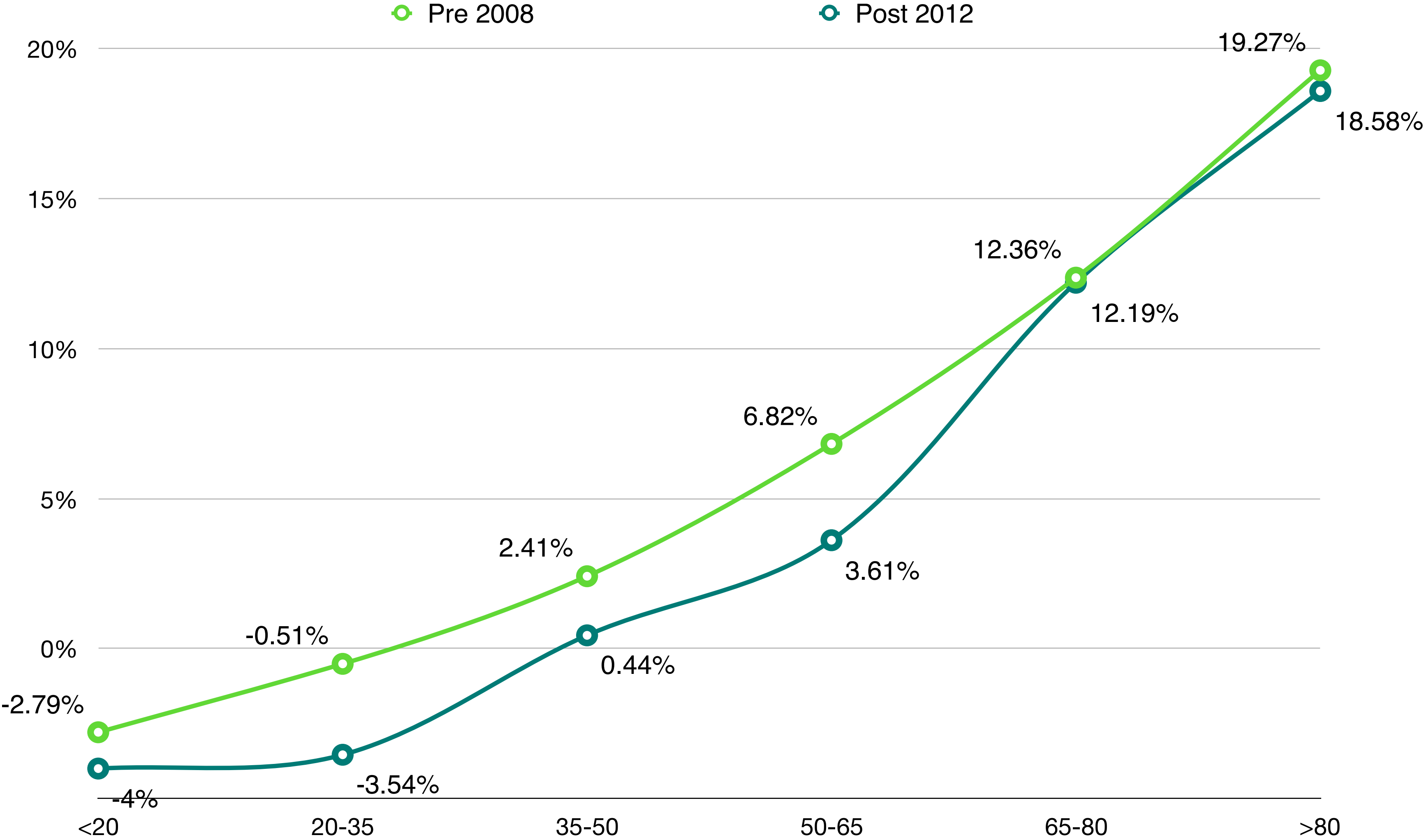


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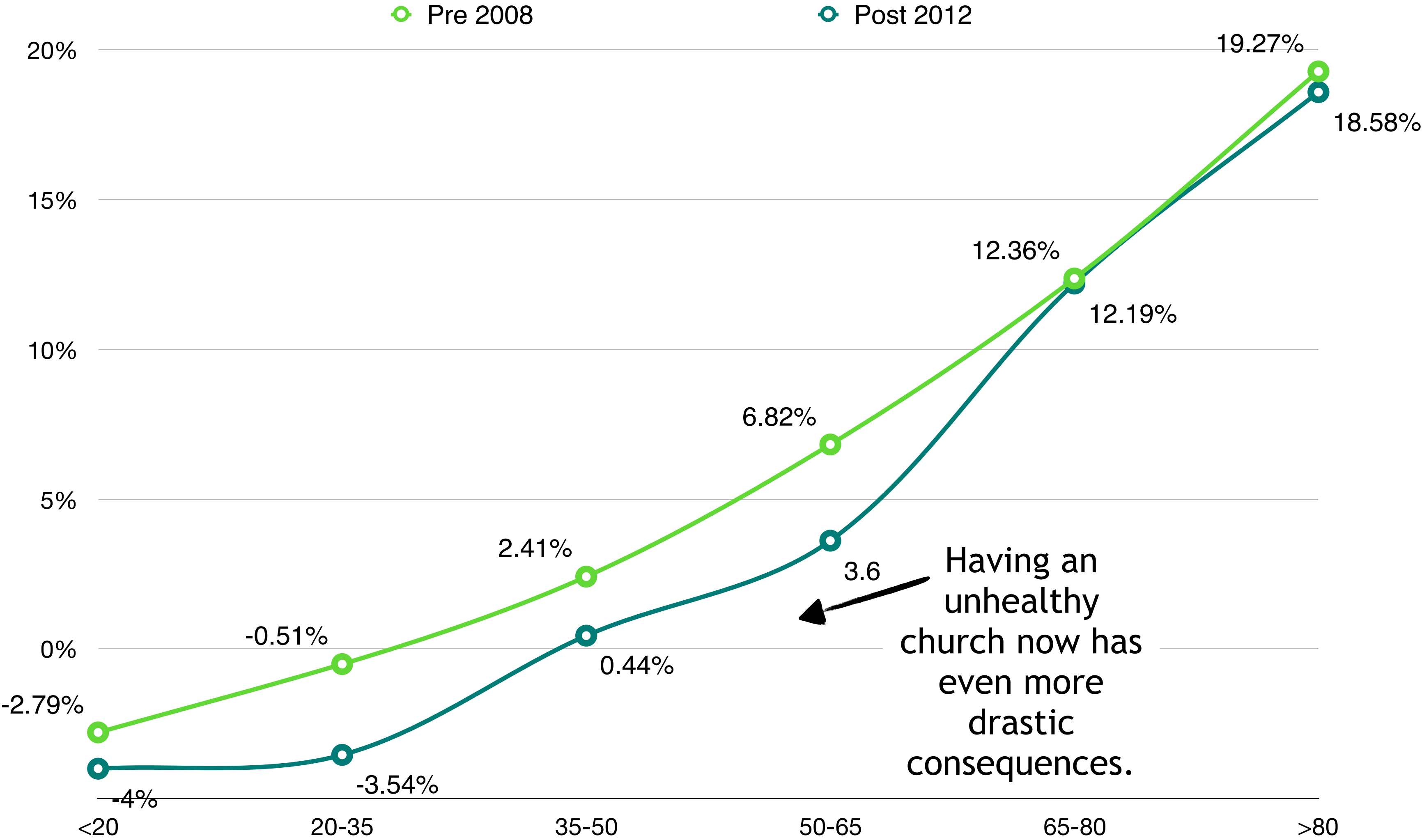
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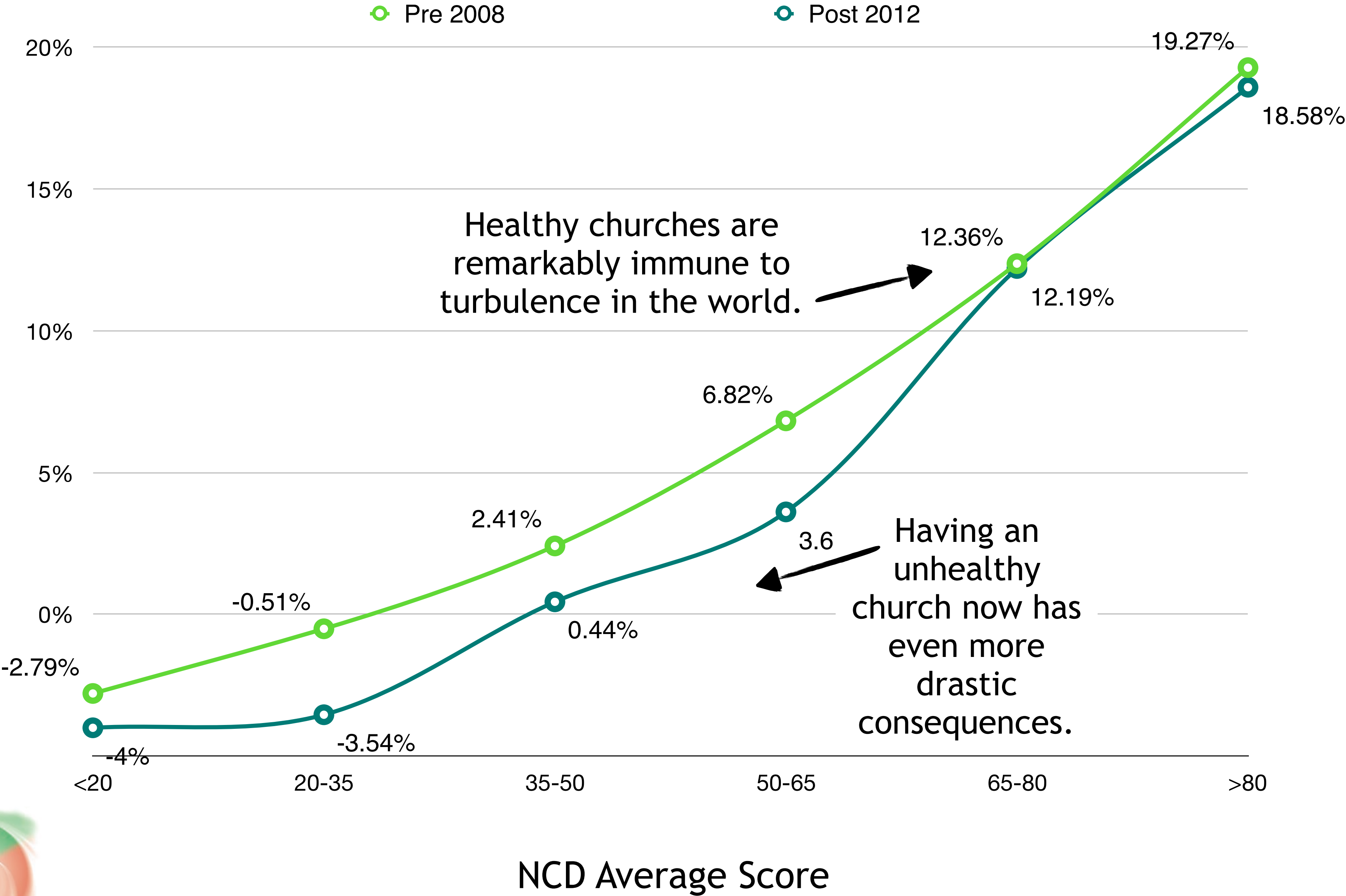


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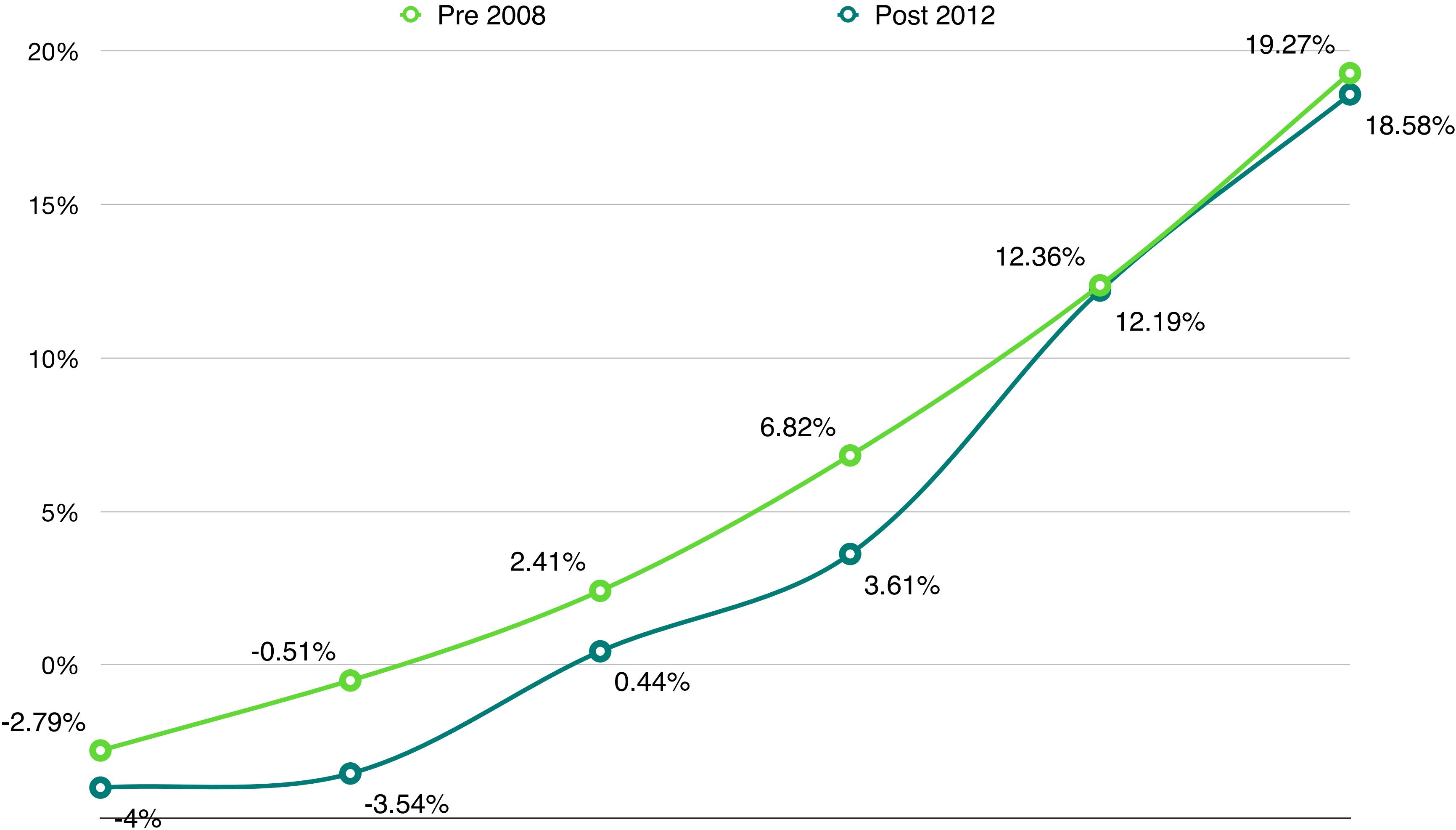


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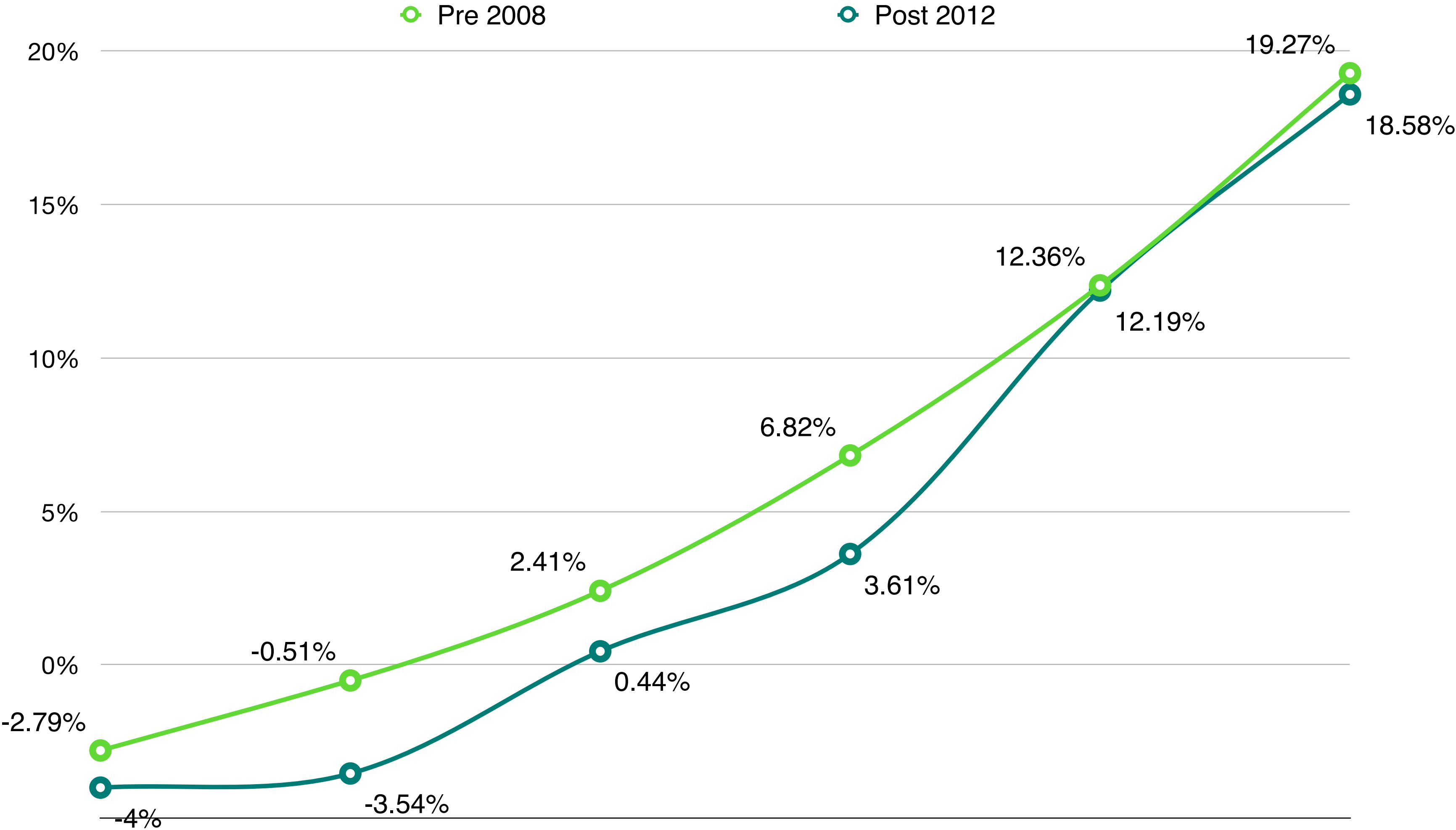
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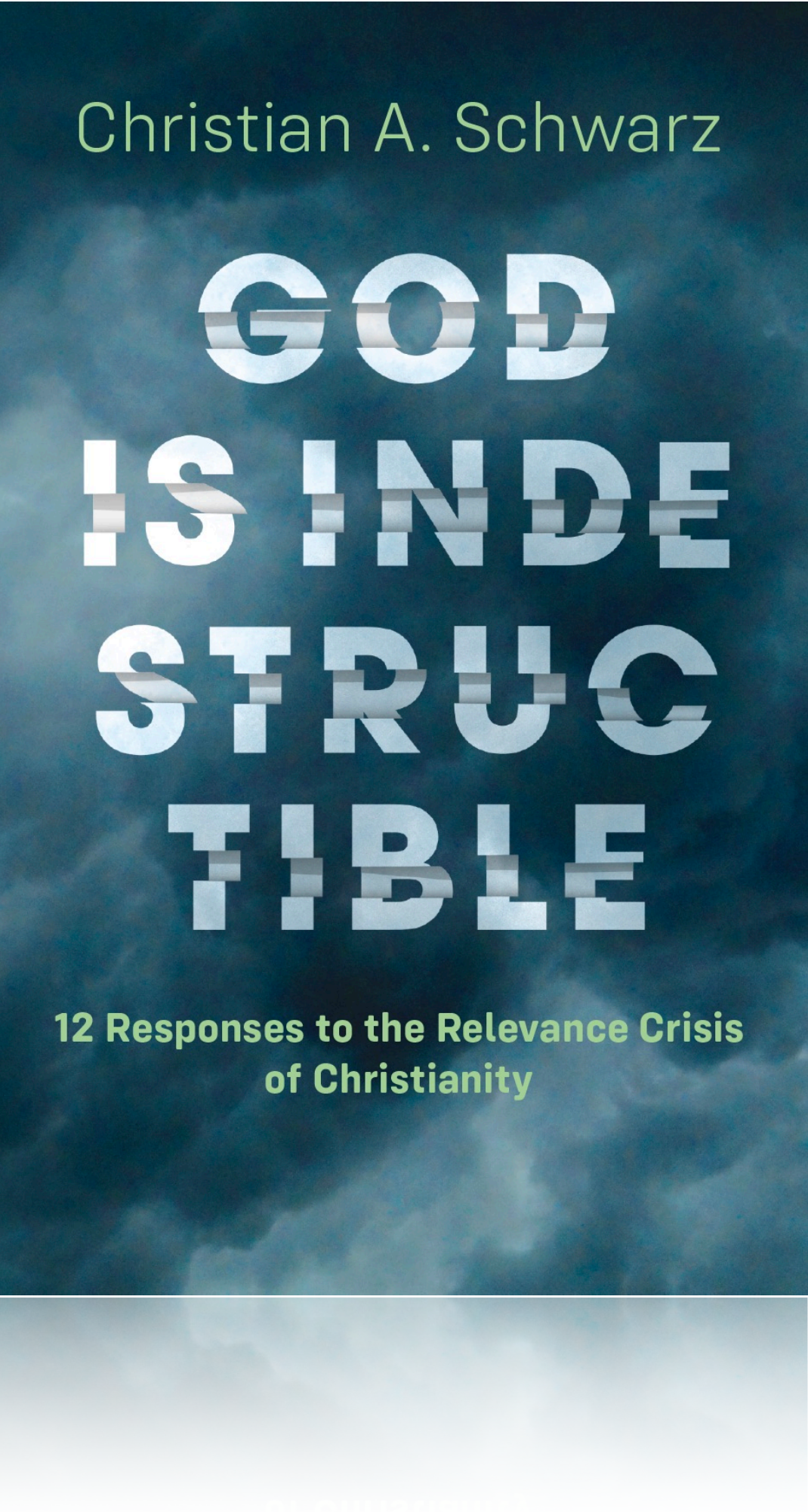
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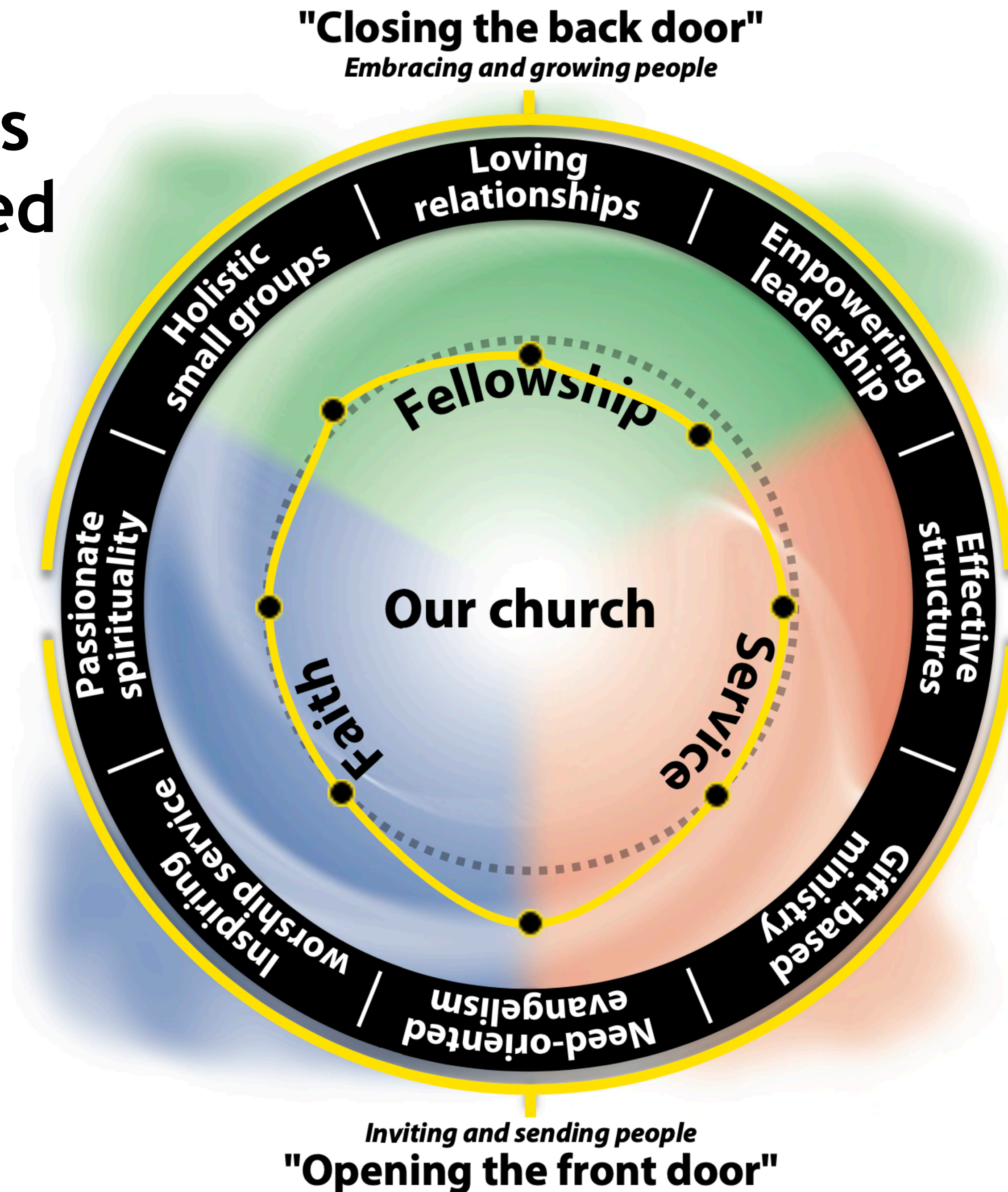


Inviting and sending people

"Opening the front door"



Inward AND
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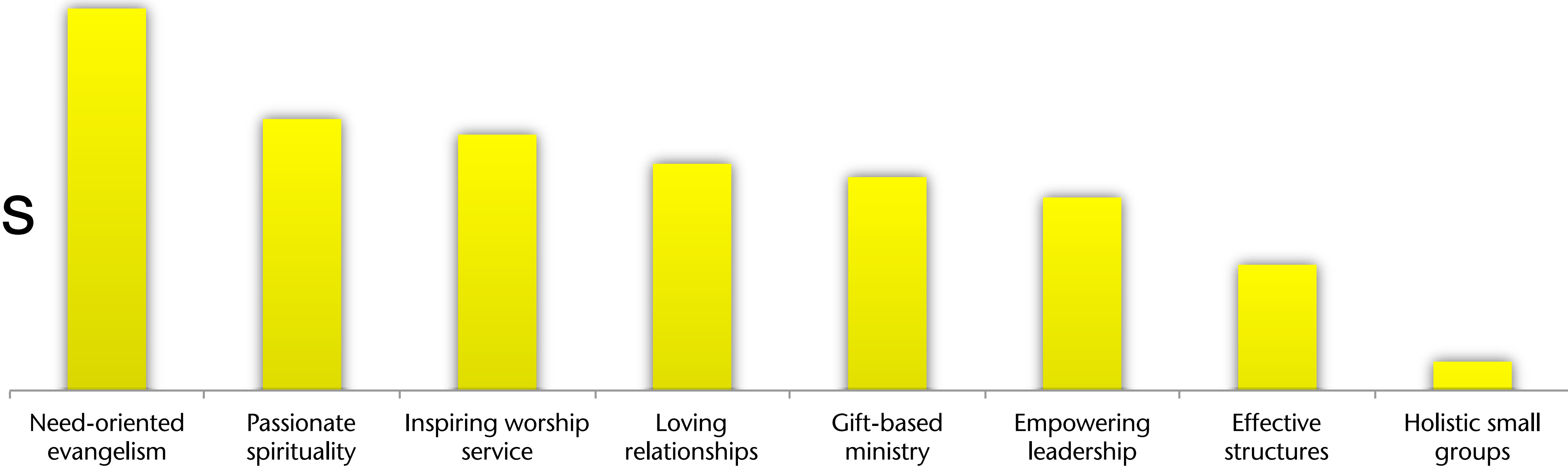
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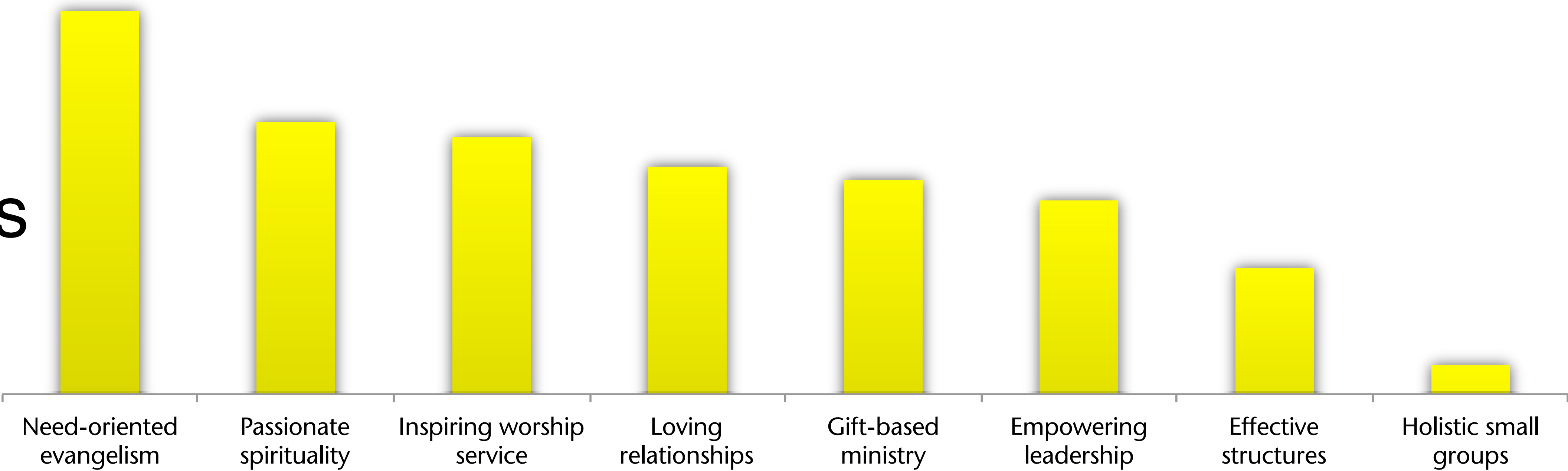


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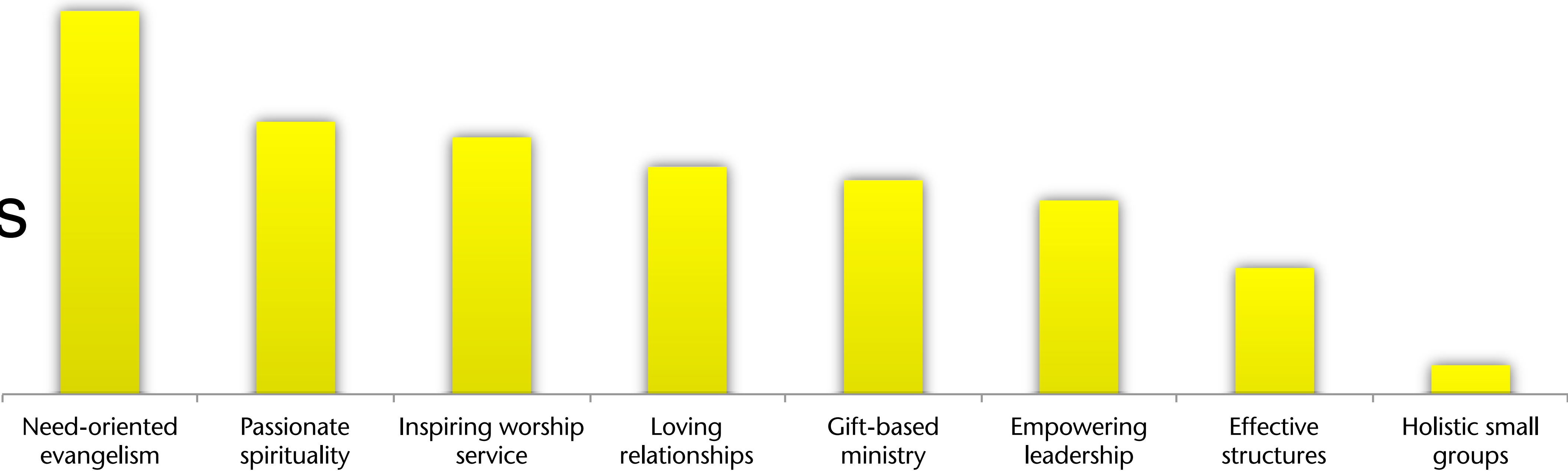
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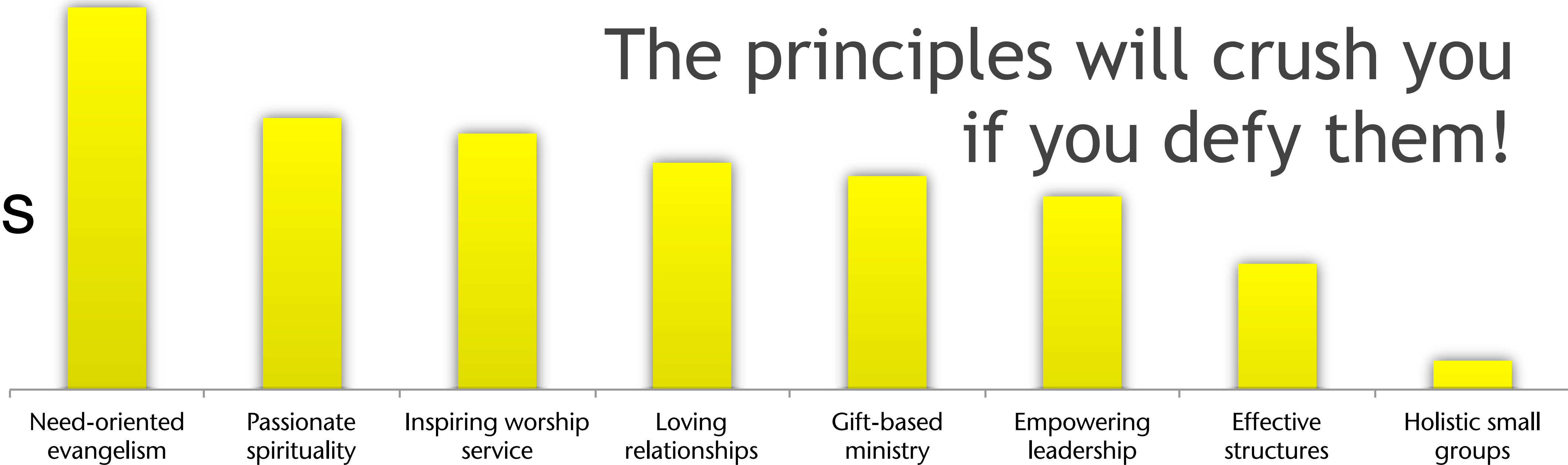


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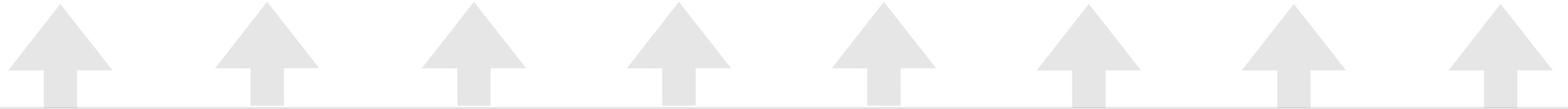
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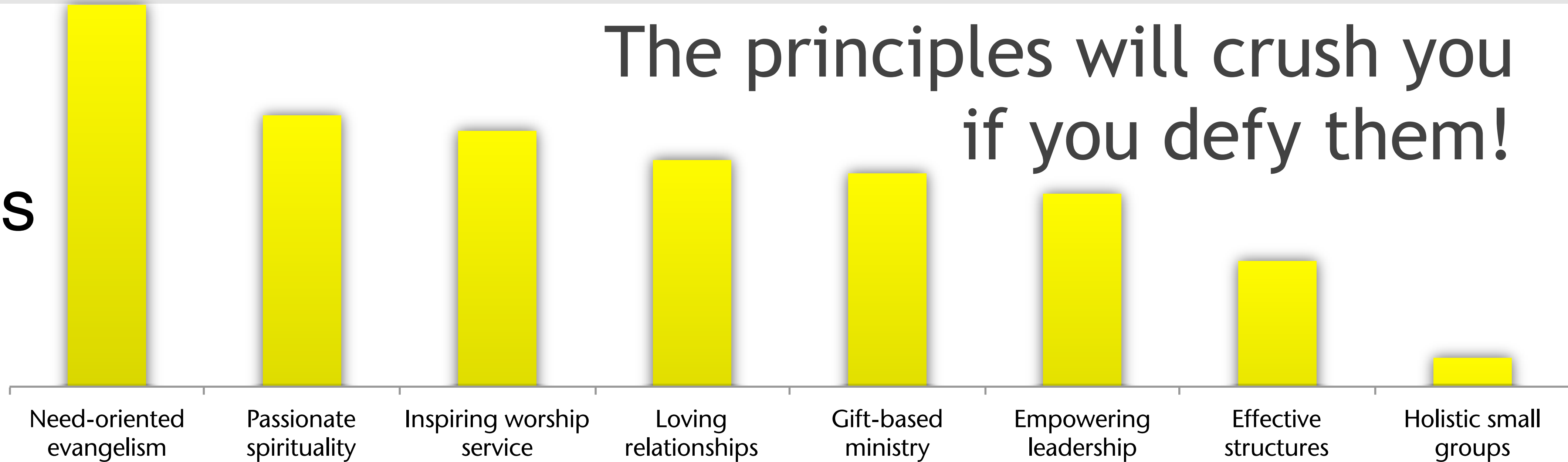
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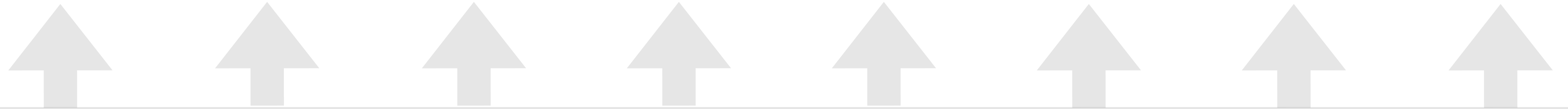
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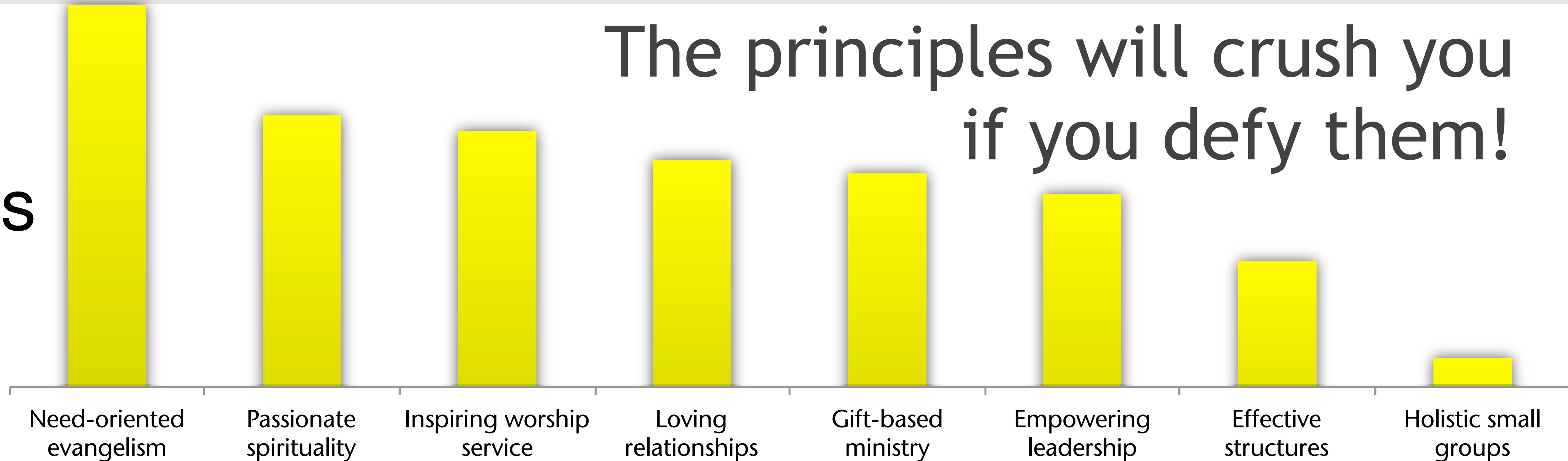
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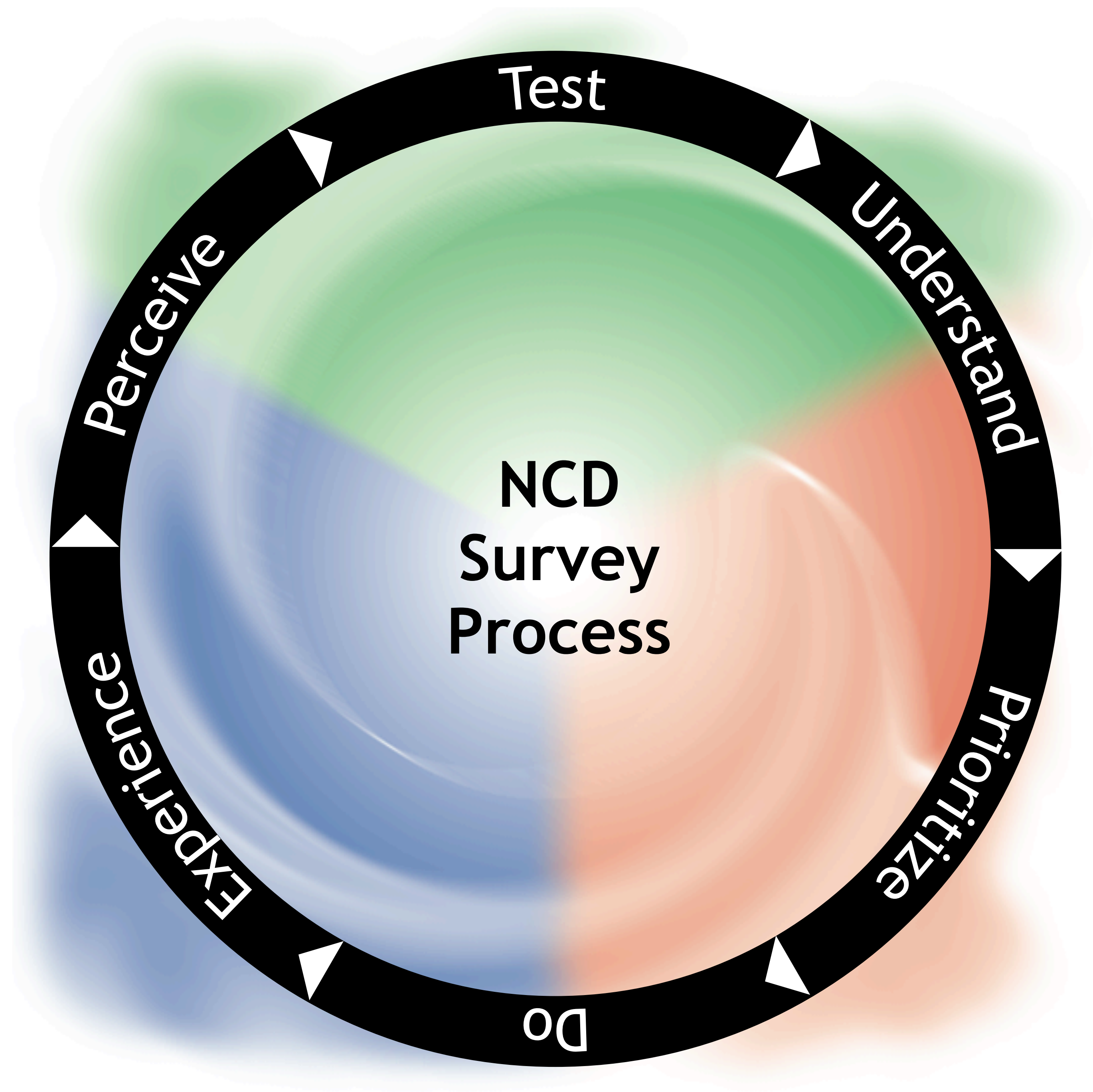
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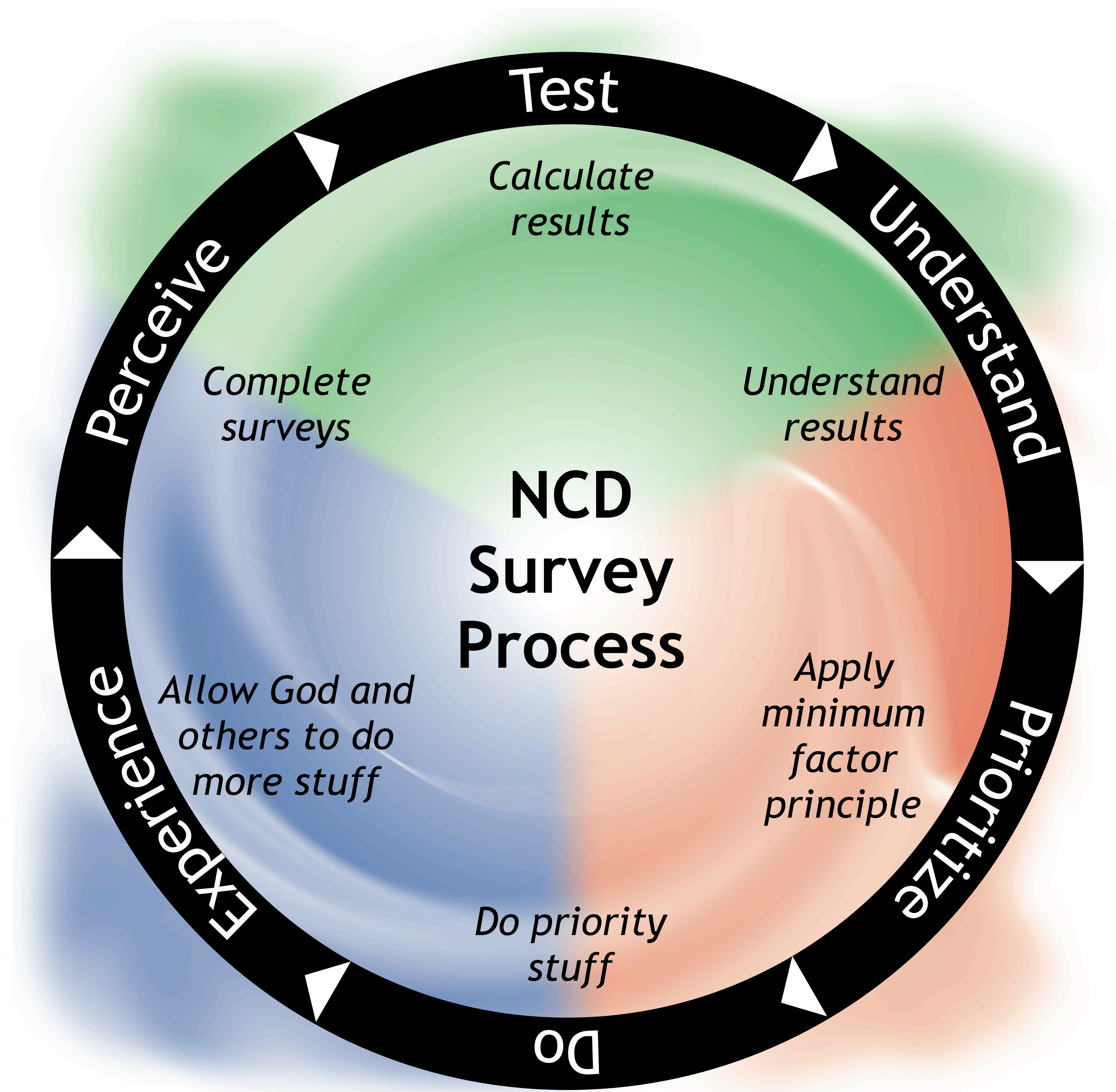


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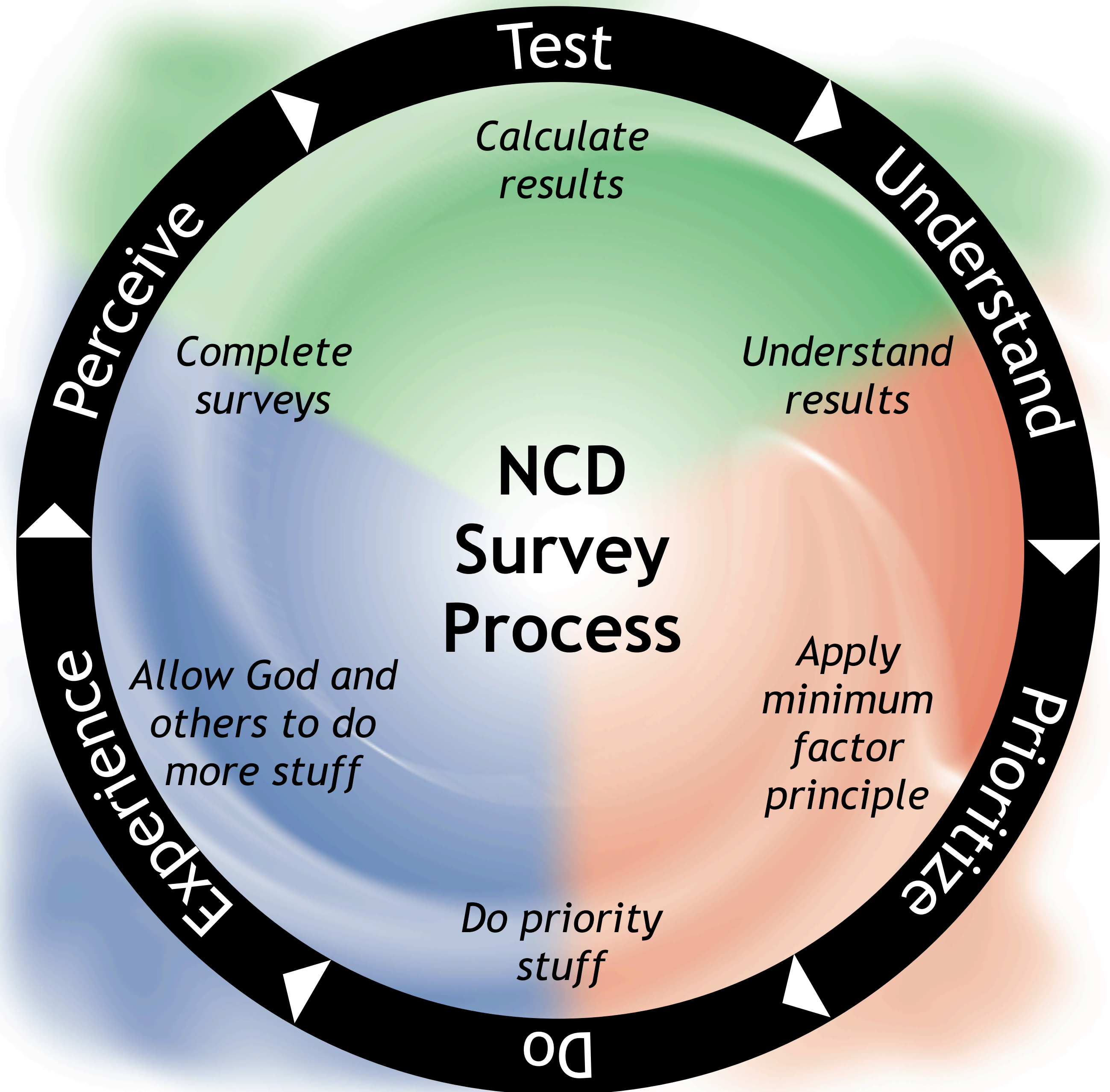
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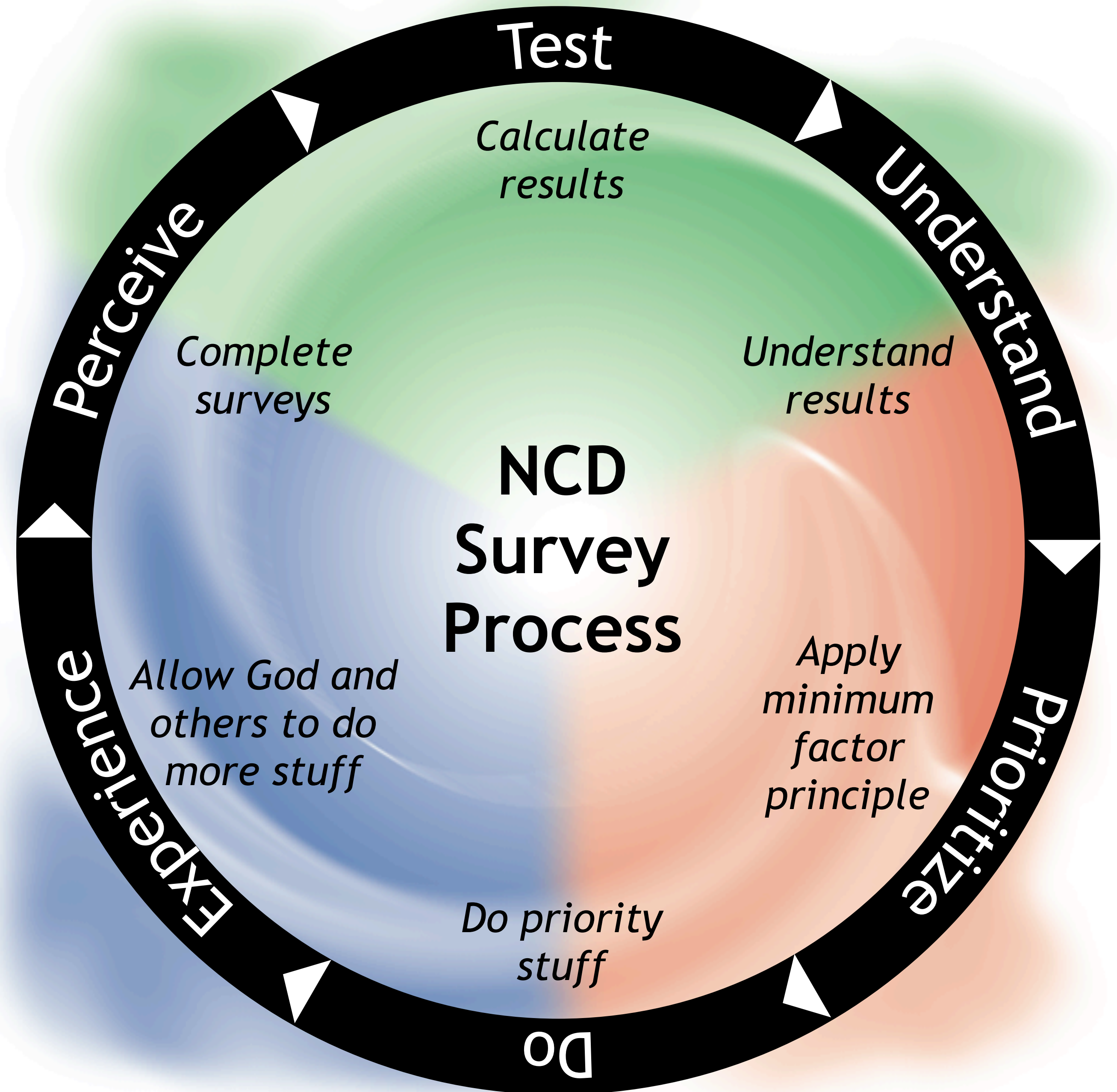


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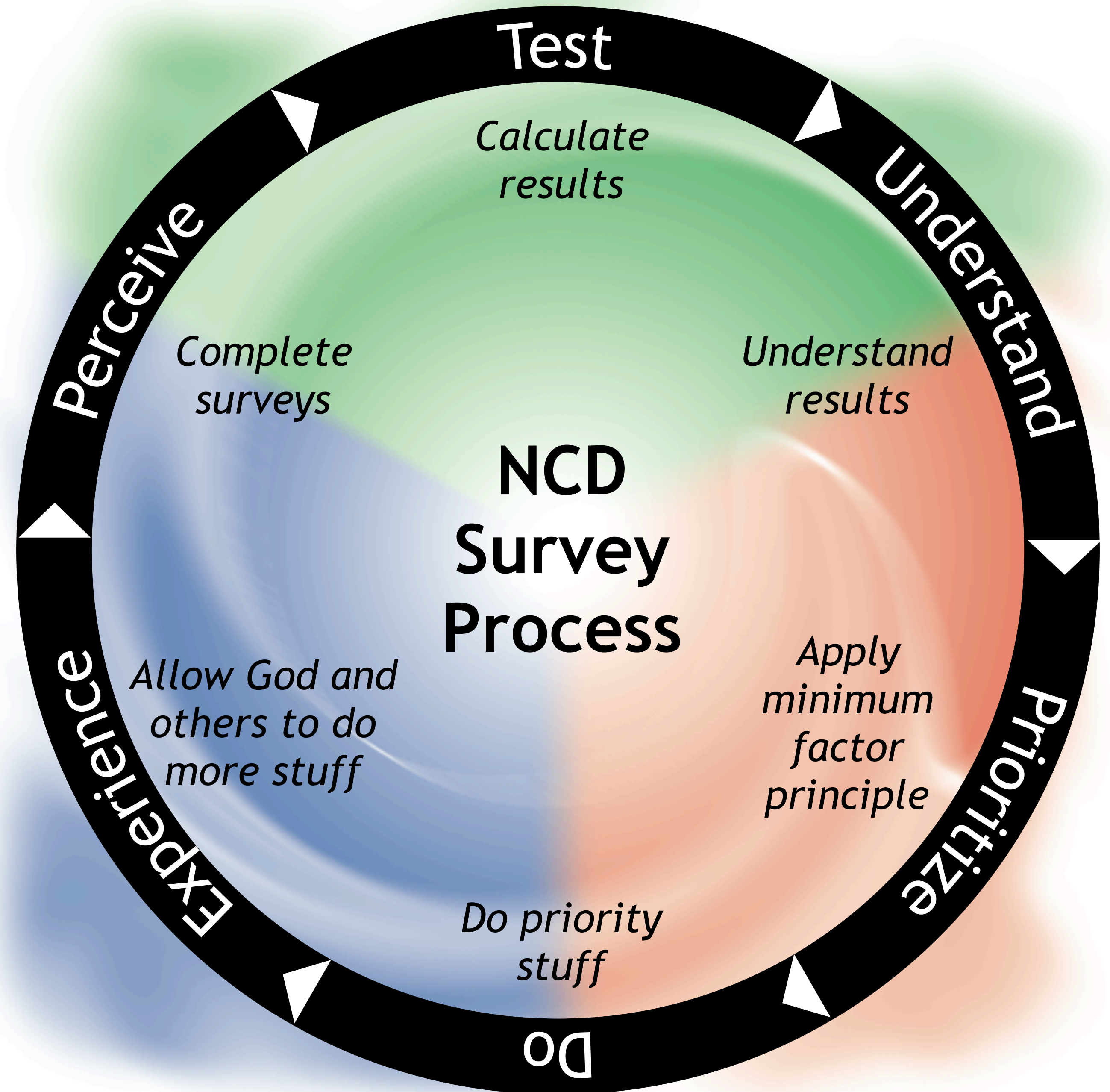
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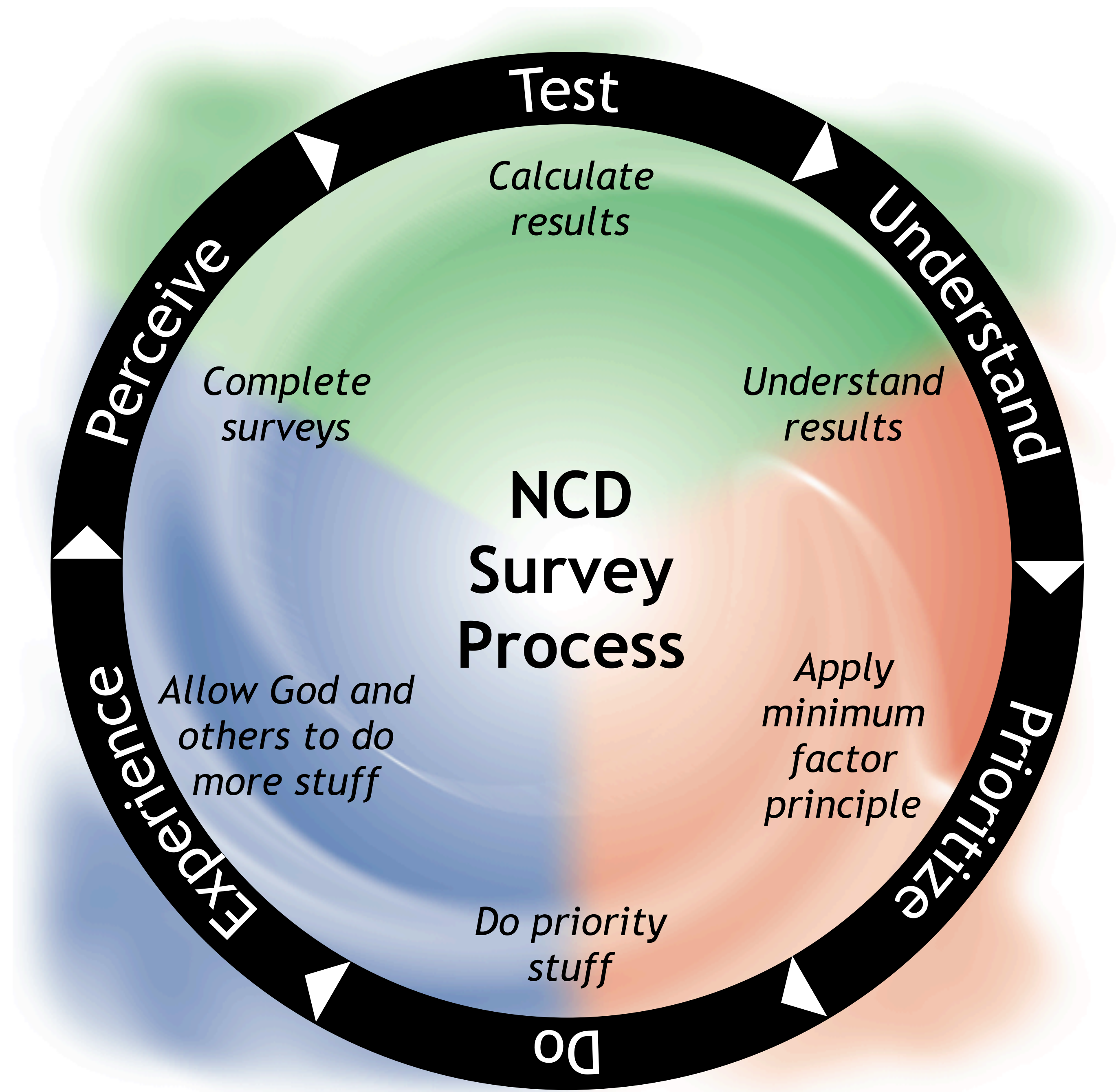


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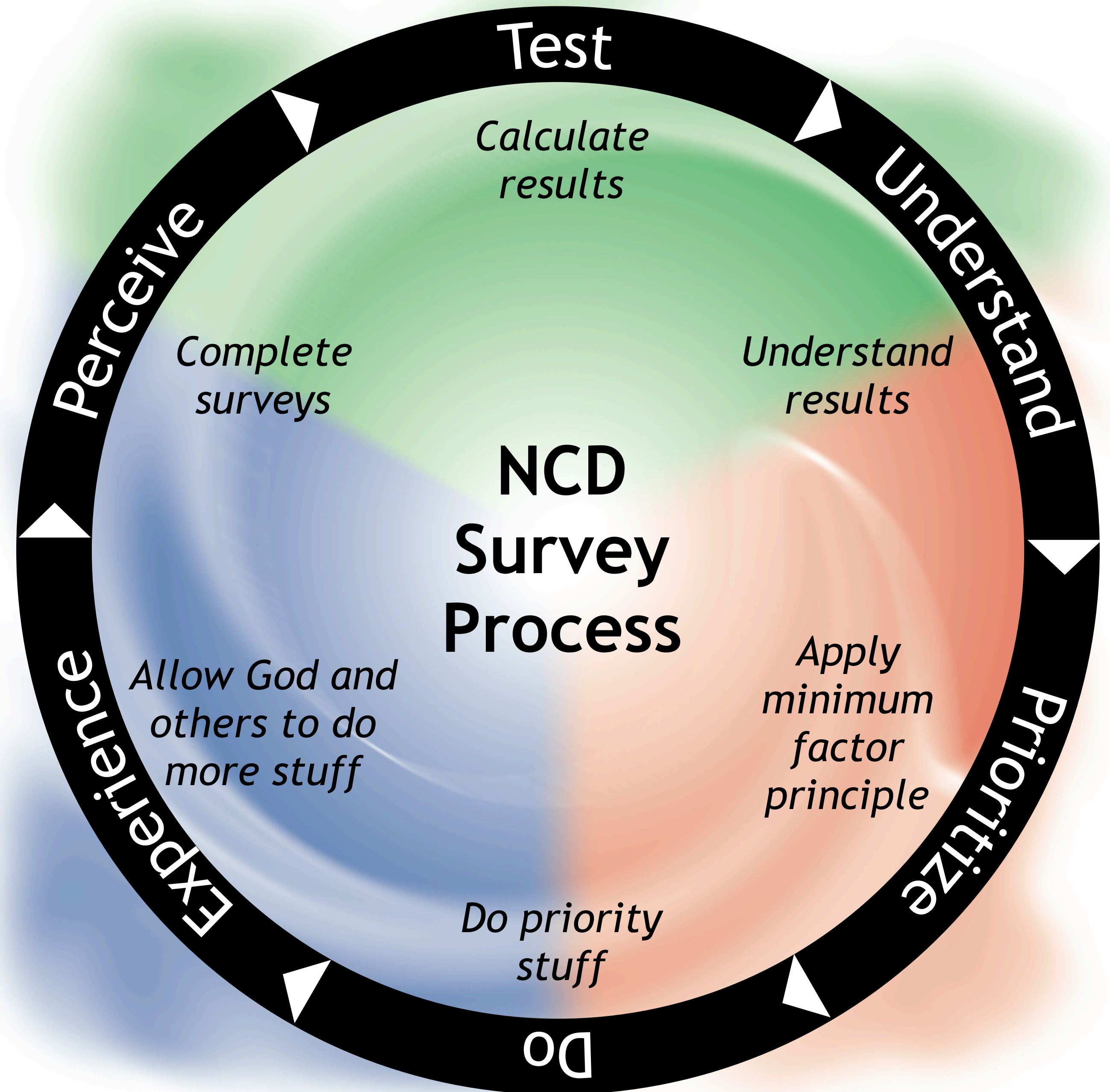
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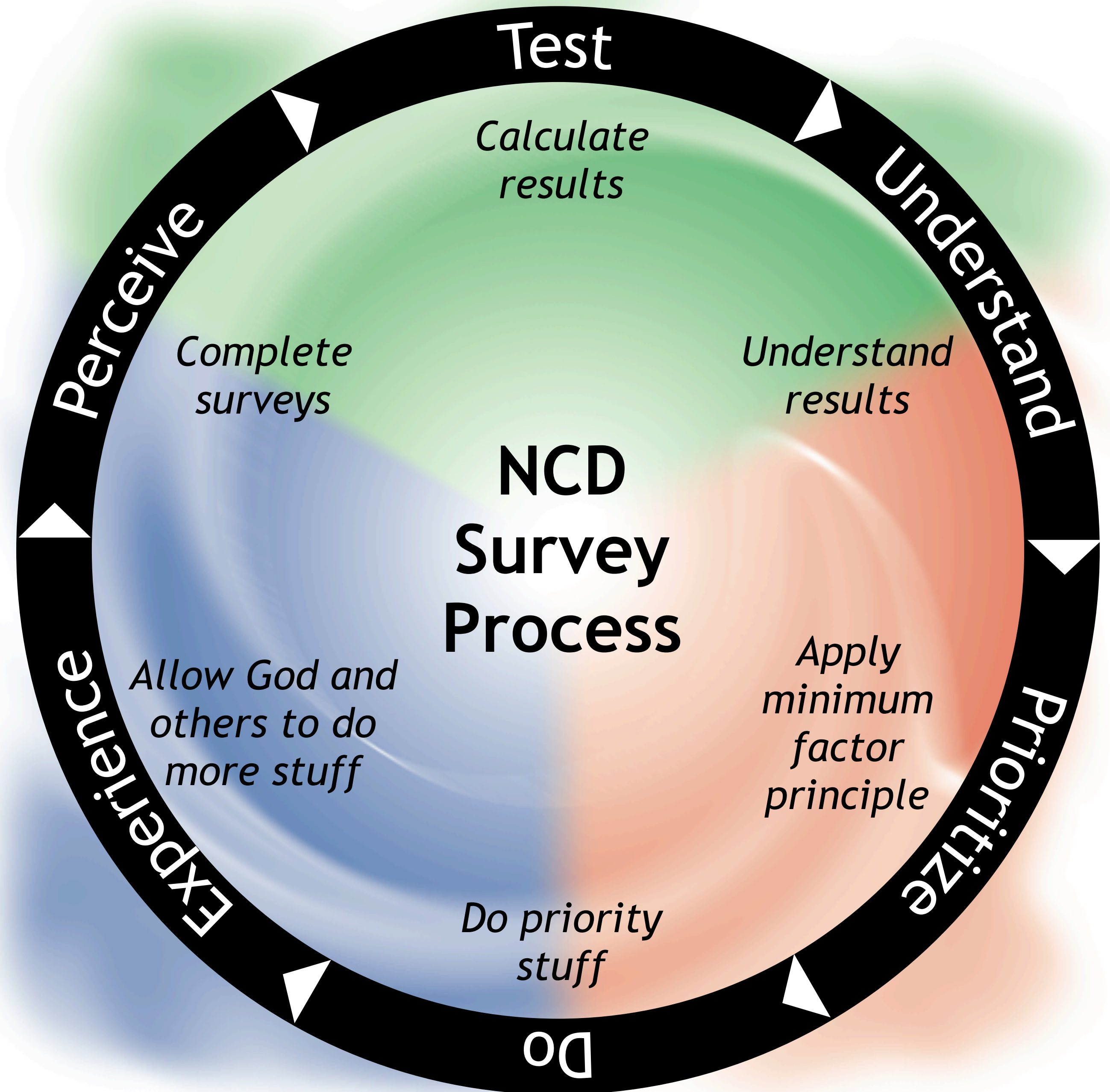


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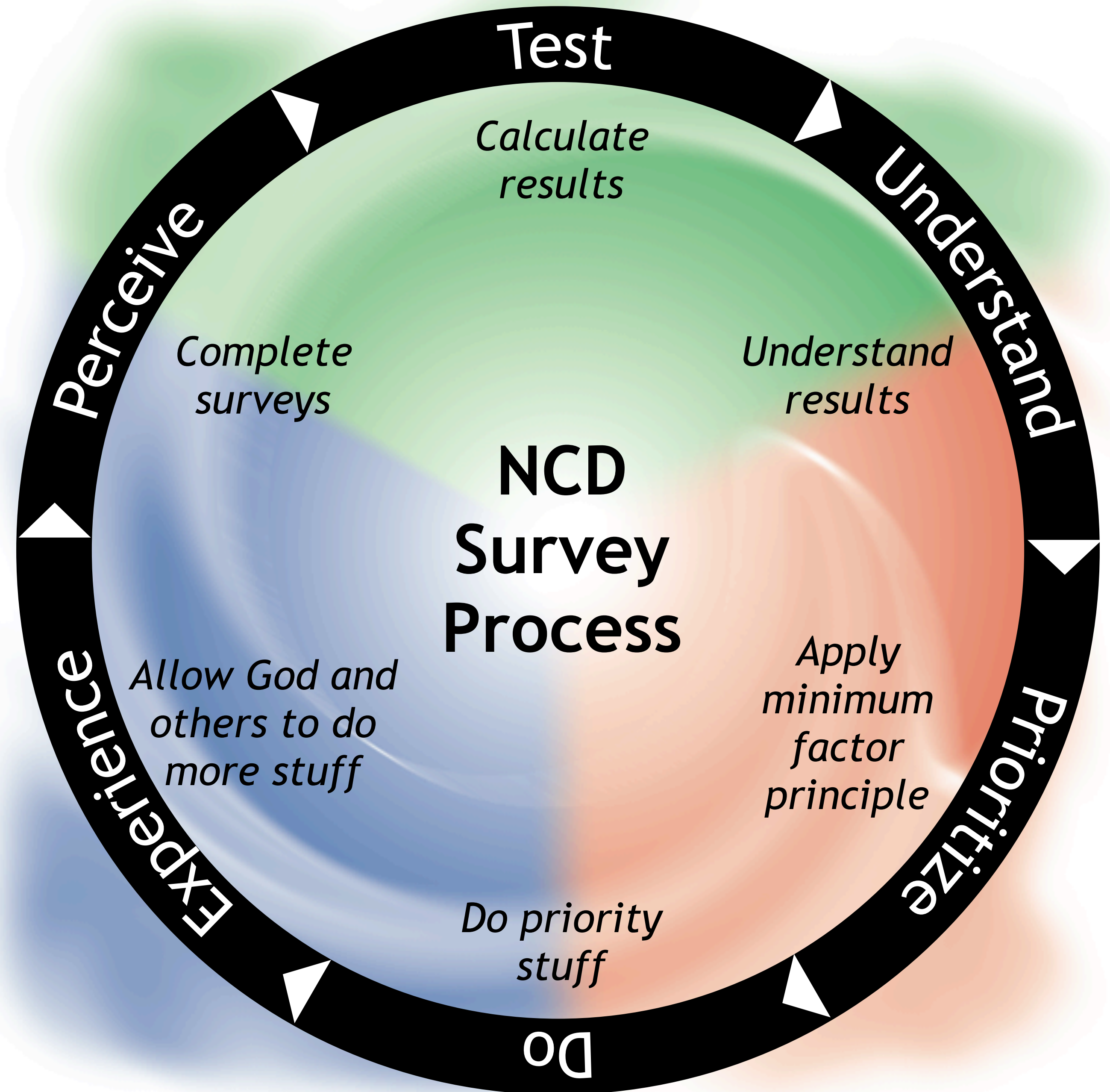
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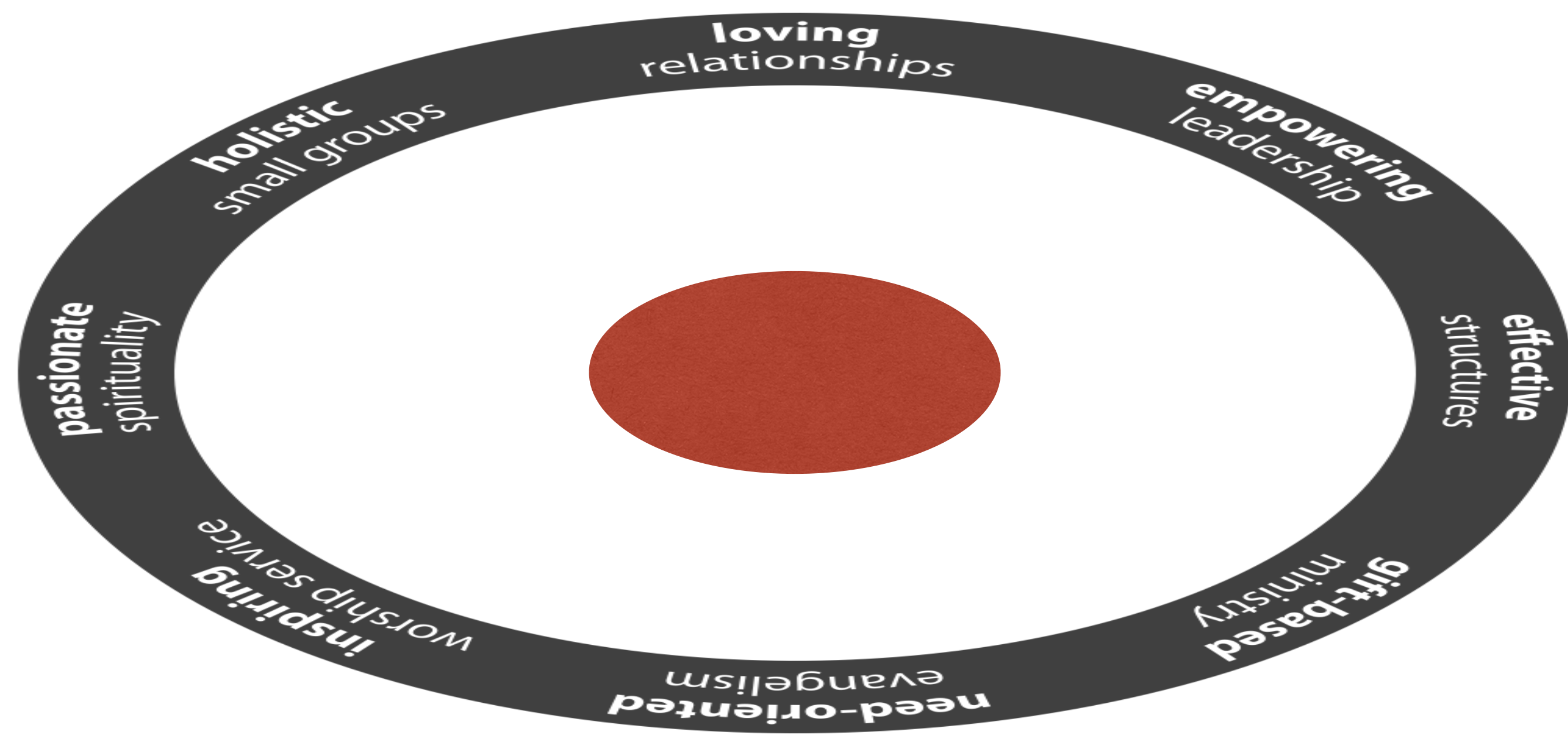
Jesus's suffering was profoundly purposeful – it was based on the minimum factor of humanity.



- 4. The reality of principles AND programs**
- 5. The reality of sacrifice as a means to life in all its fullness**



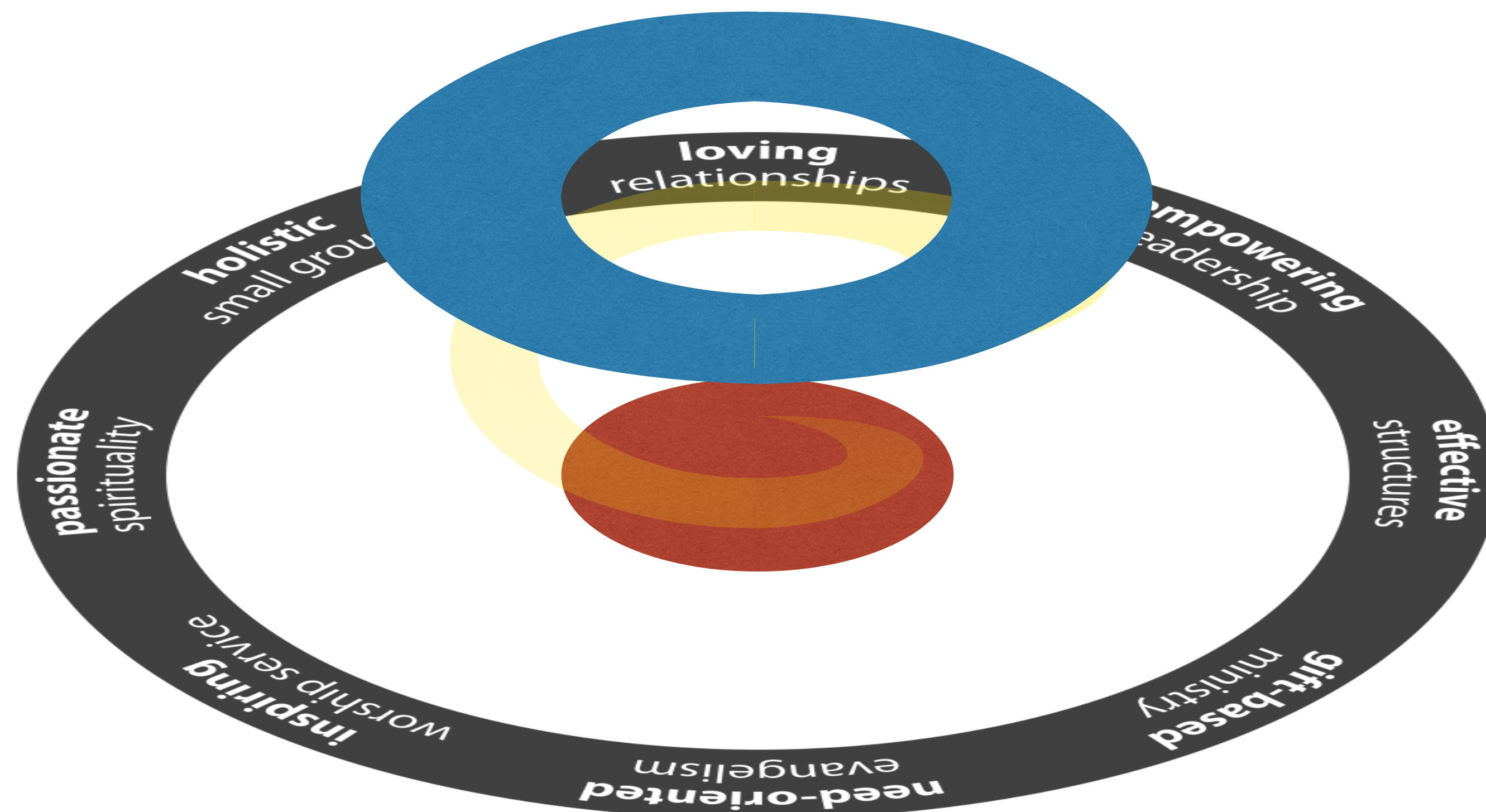
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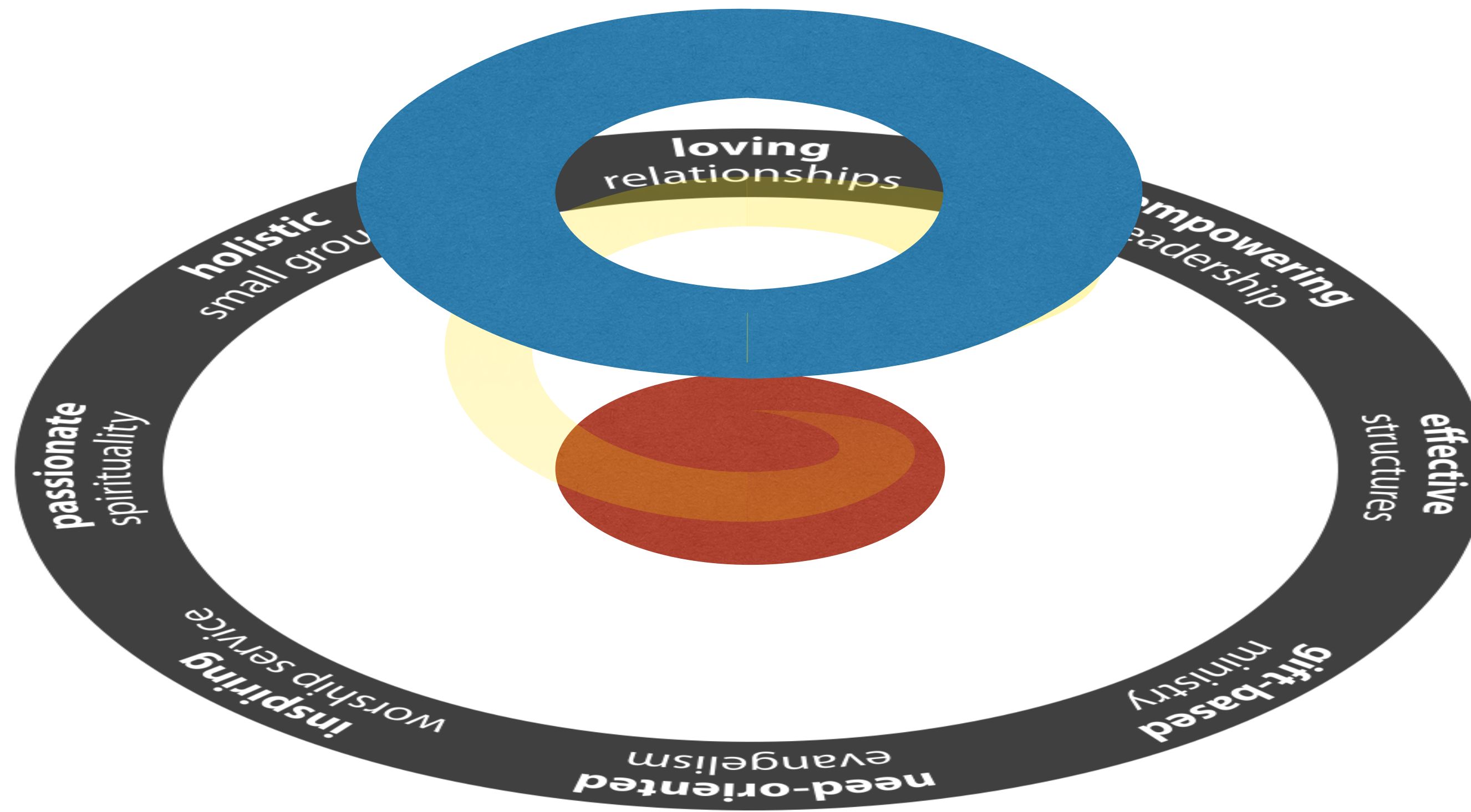
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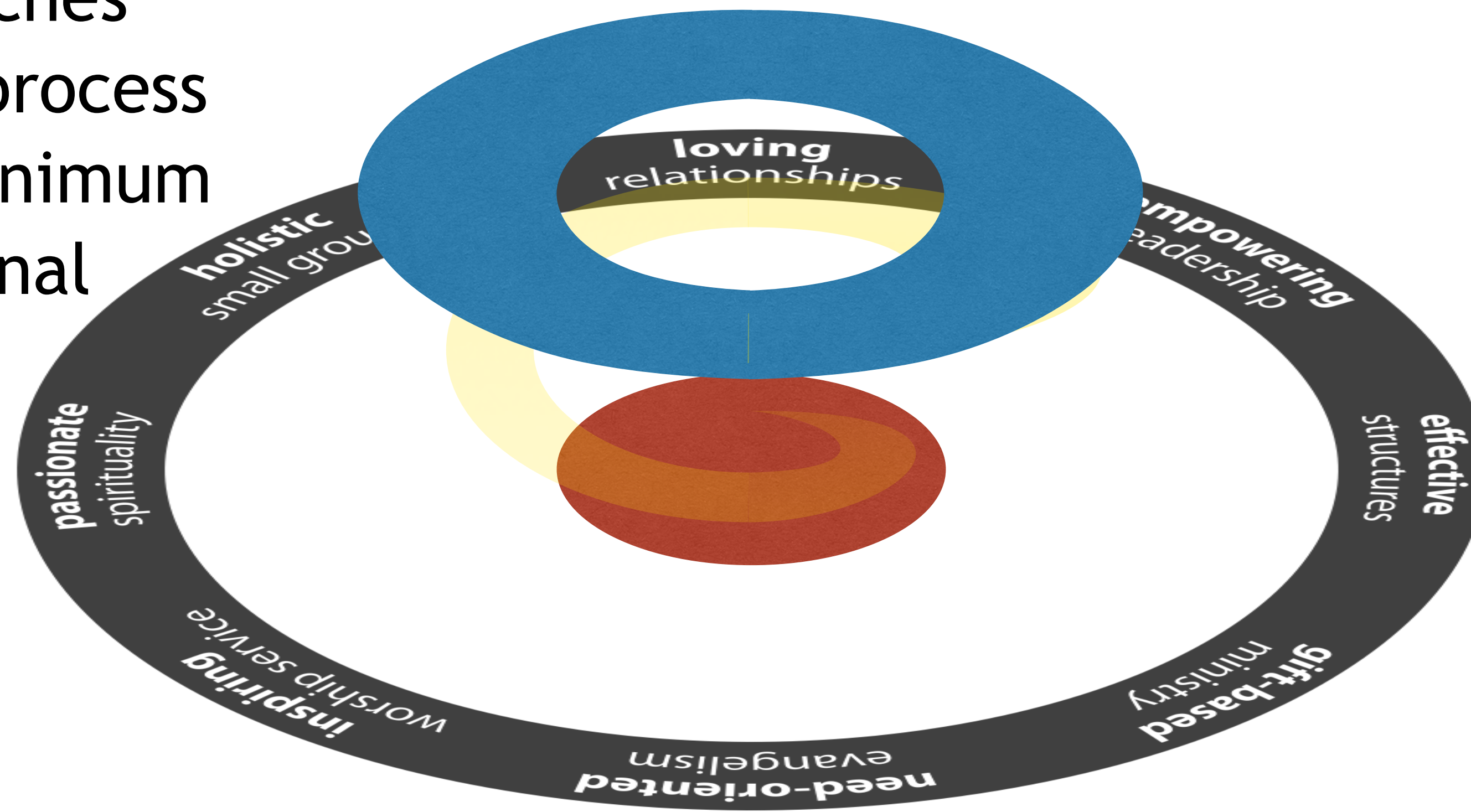
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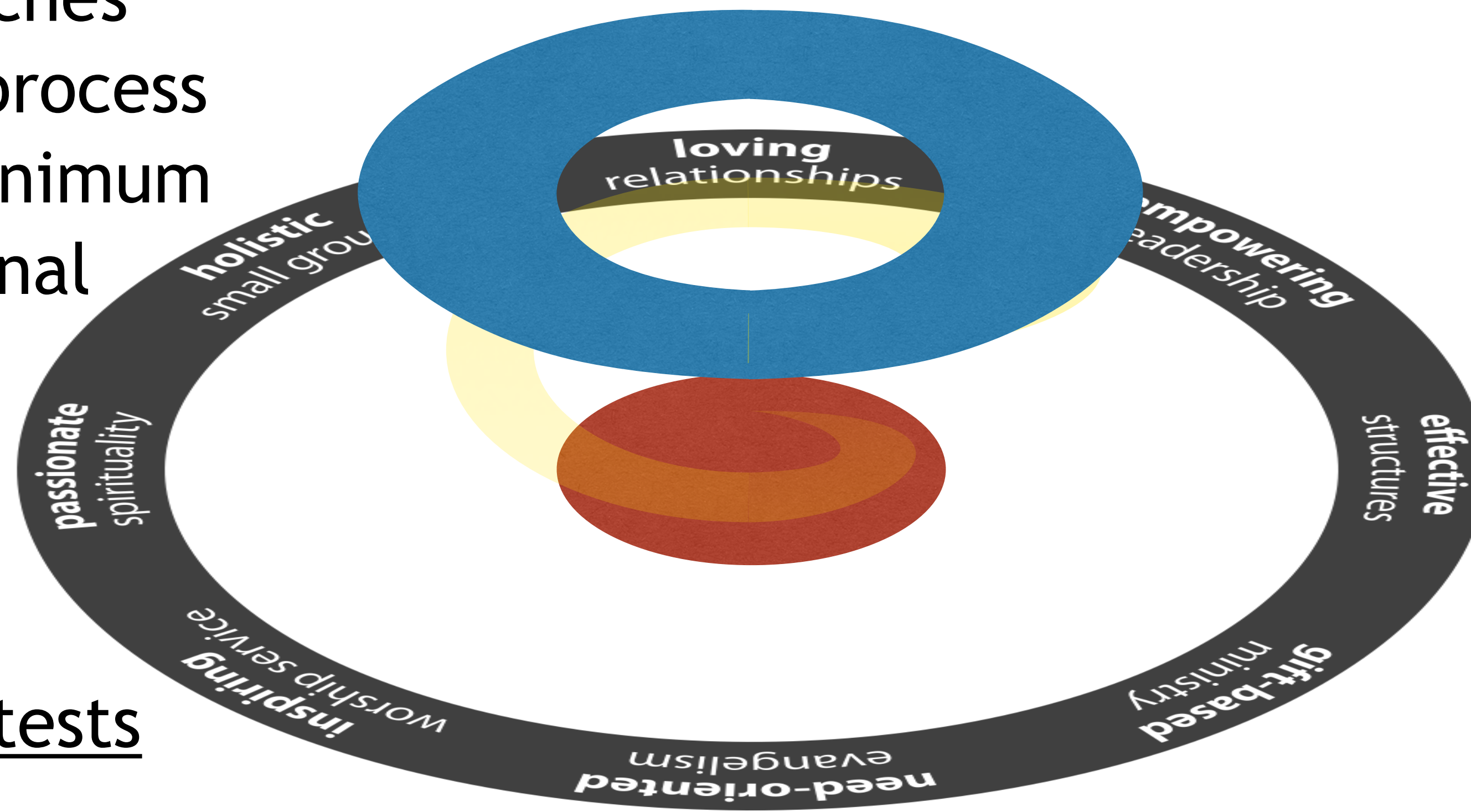
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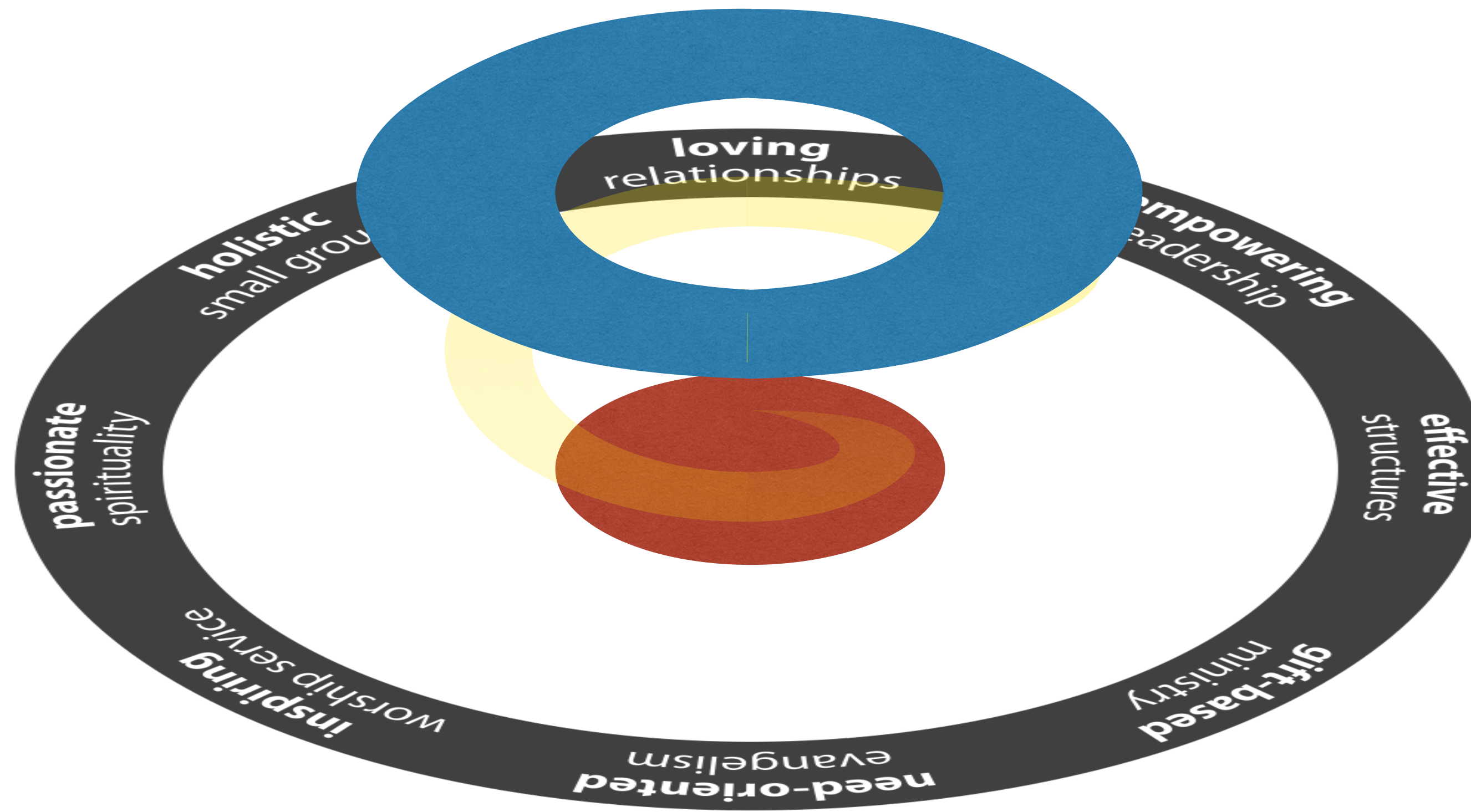
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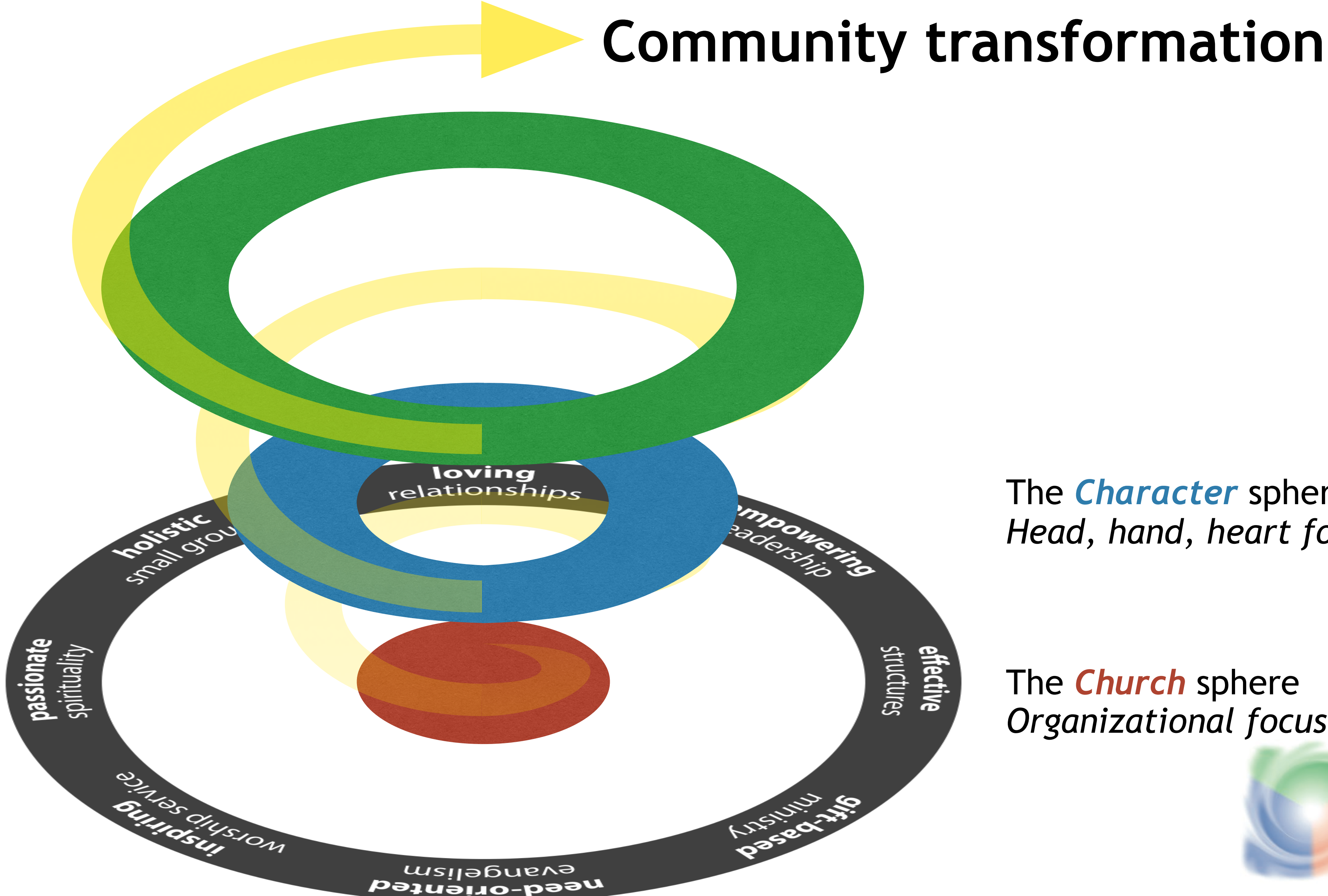


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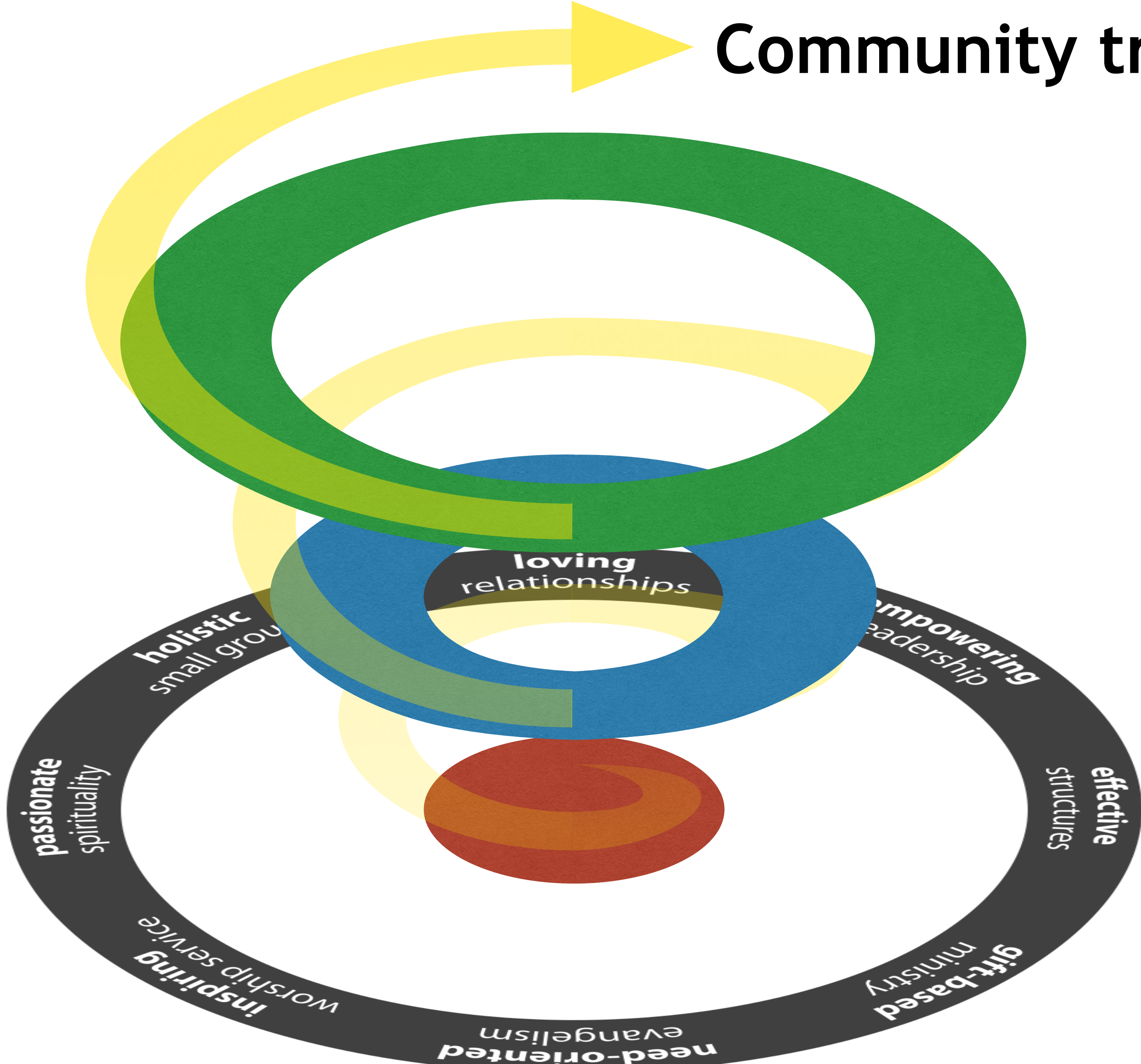
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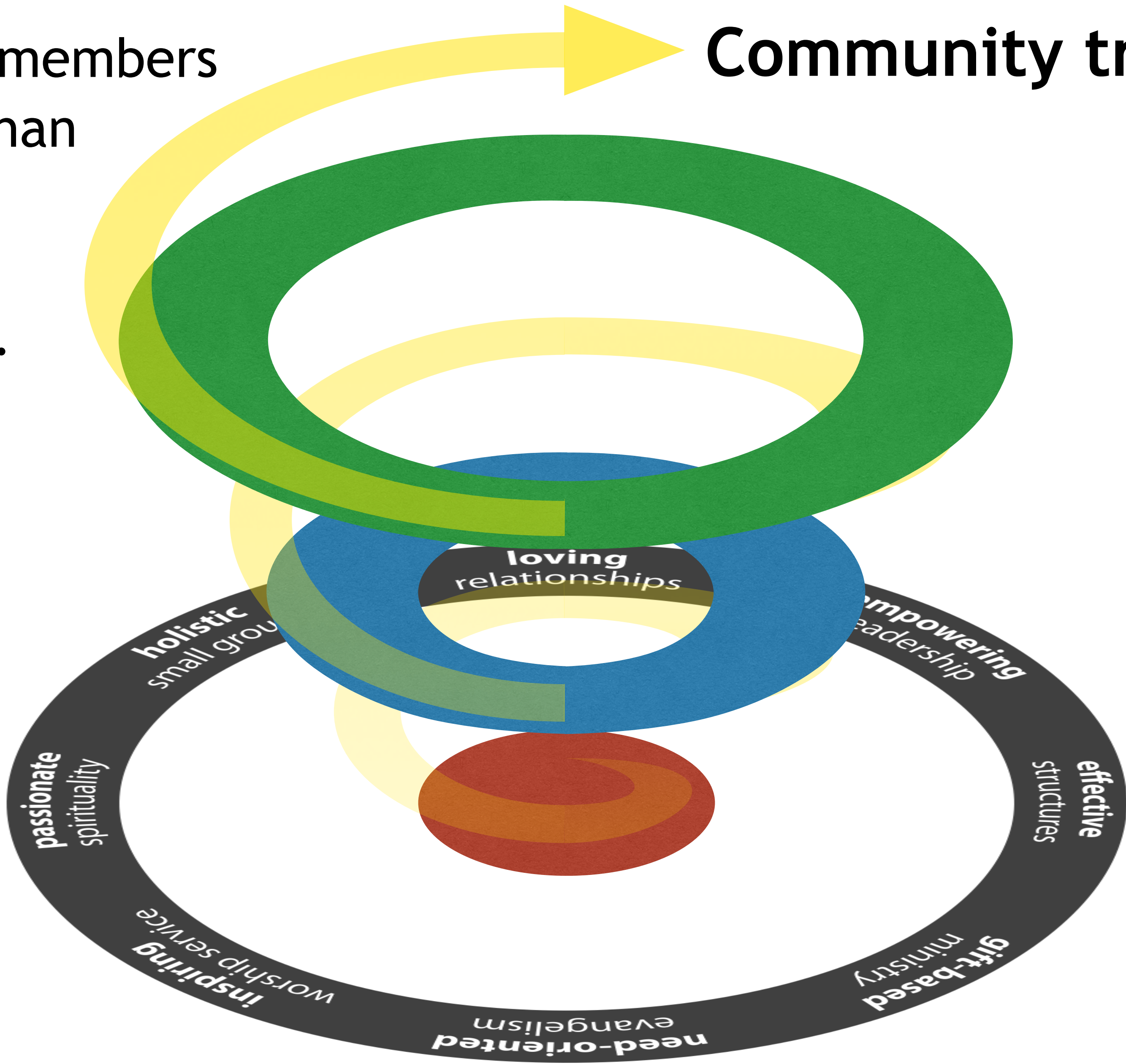
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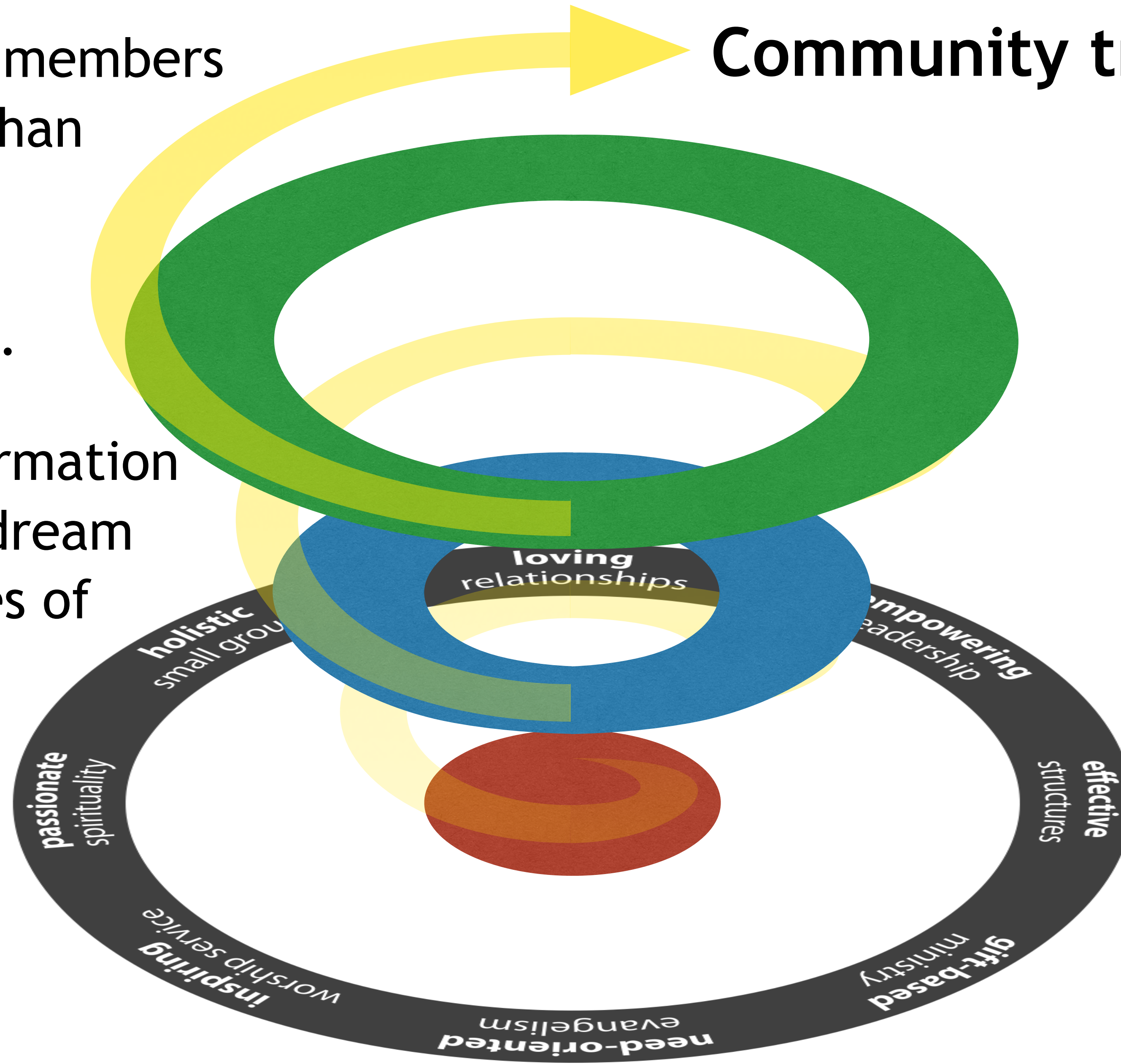


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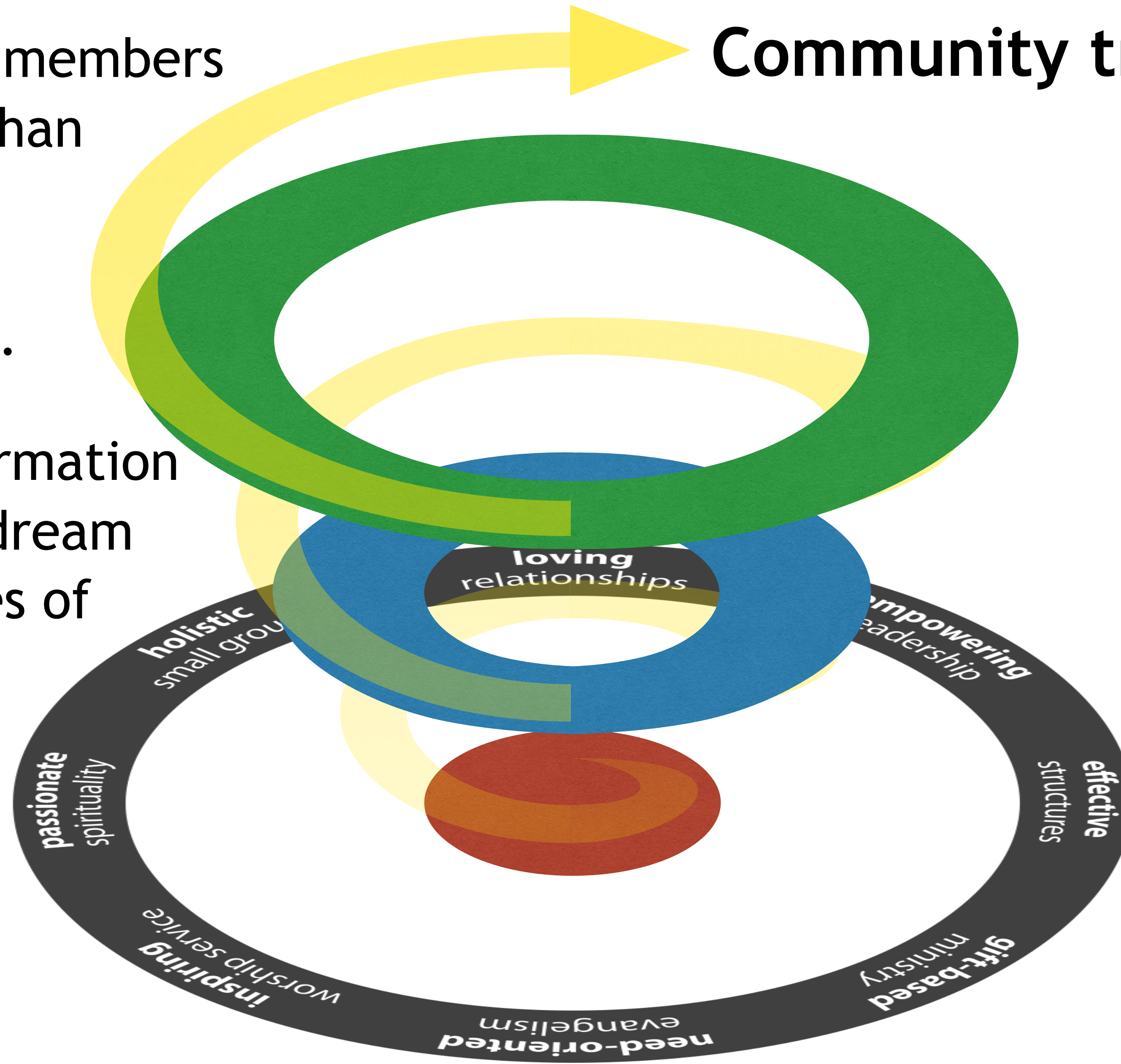
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