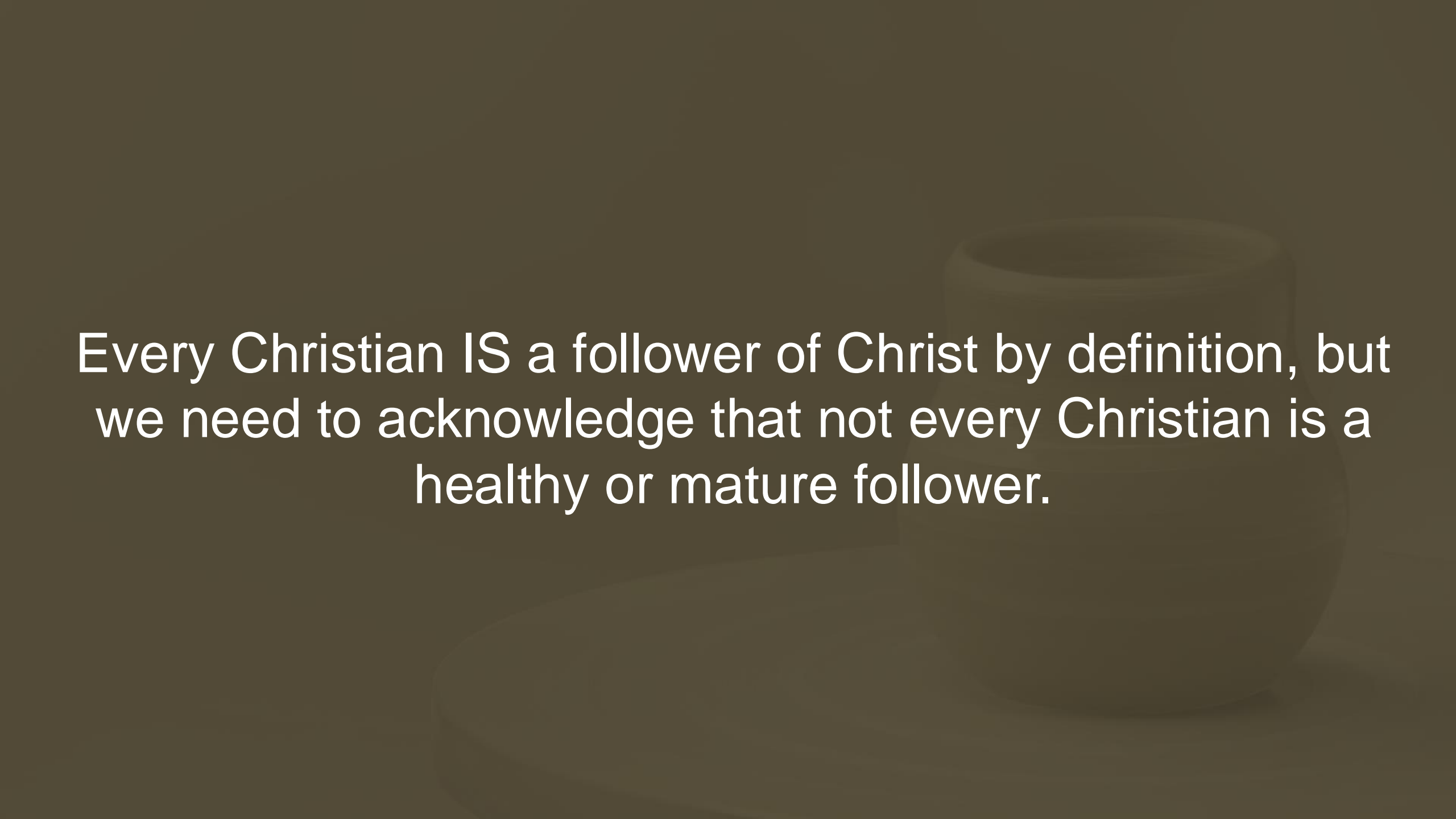


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“In rabbinic Judaism the term “disciple” referred to one who was committed to the interpretations of Scripture and religious tradition given [them] by [their] master or rabbi. Through a process of learning...the disciple would become increasingly devoted to the master and the master’s teachings. In time, the disciple would likewise pass on the traditions to others.”

*Holman Bible Dictionary*



Every Christian IS a follower of Christ by definition, but we need to acknowledge that not every Christian is a healthy or mature follower.

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Fully Formed Followers of Jesus

## **James 1:2-4**

<sup>2</sup> Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, <sup>3</sup> because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance. <sup>4</sup> Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything. (NIV)

## **1 Corinthians 13:11-12**

<sup>11</sup> When I was a child, I spoke and thought and reasoned as a child. But when I grew up, I put away childish things. <sup>12</sup> 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. (NLT)

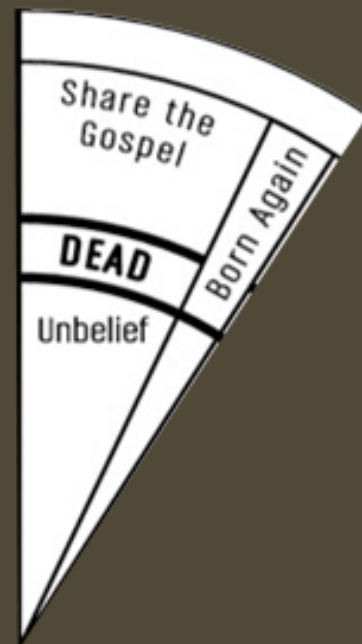
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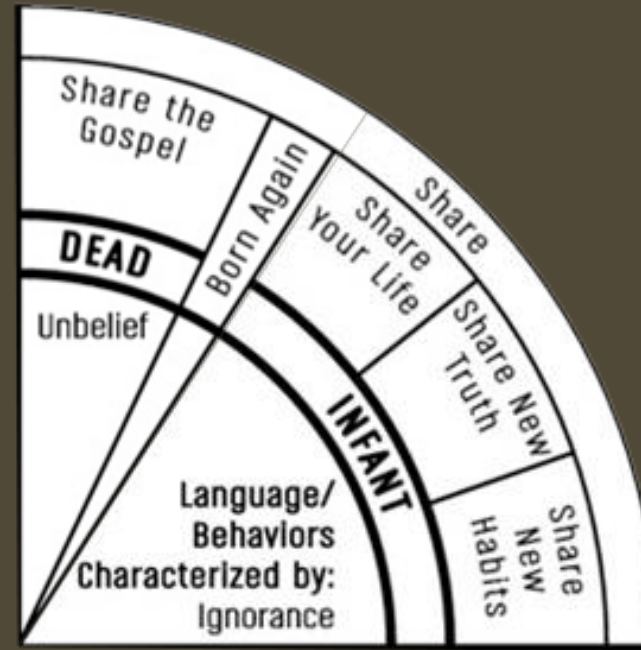
<sup>2</sup> Like newborn babies, you must crave pure spiritual milk so that you will grow into a full experience of salvation. Cry out for this nourishment, <sup>3</sup> now that you have had a taste of the Lord's kindness. (NLT)

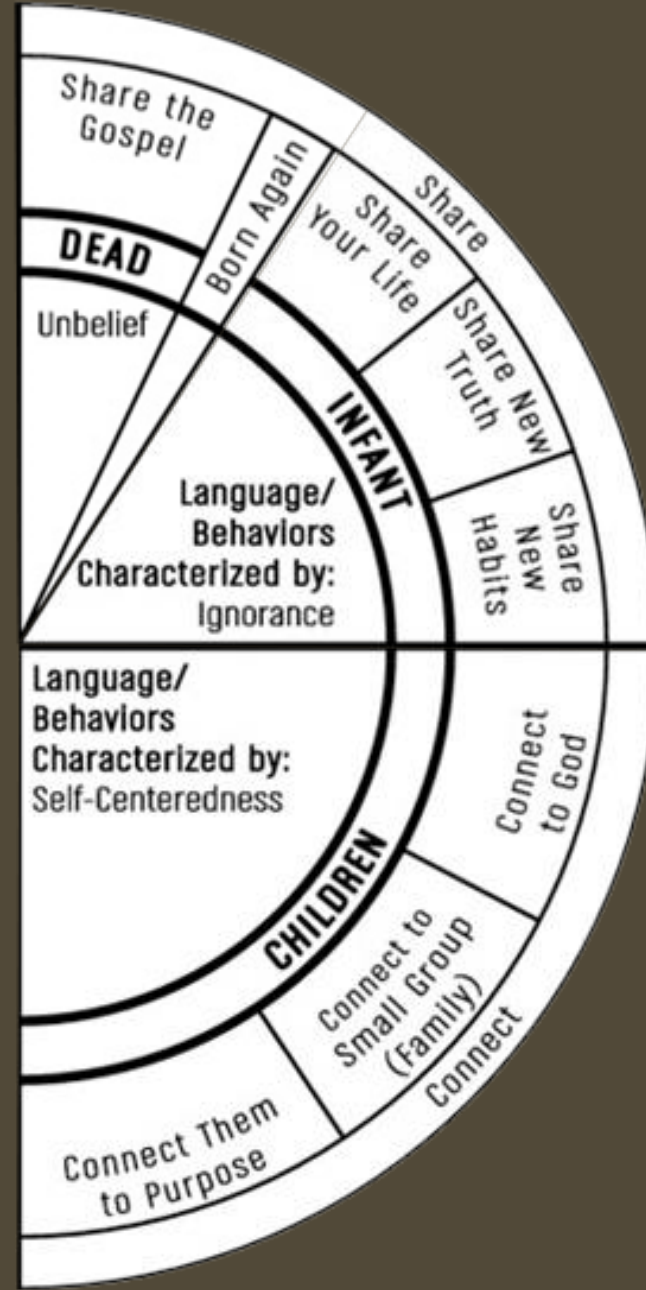
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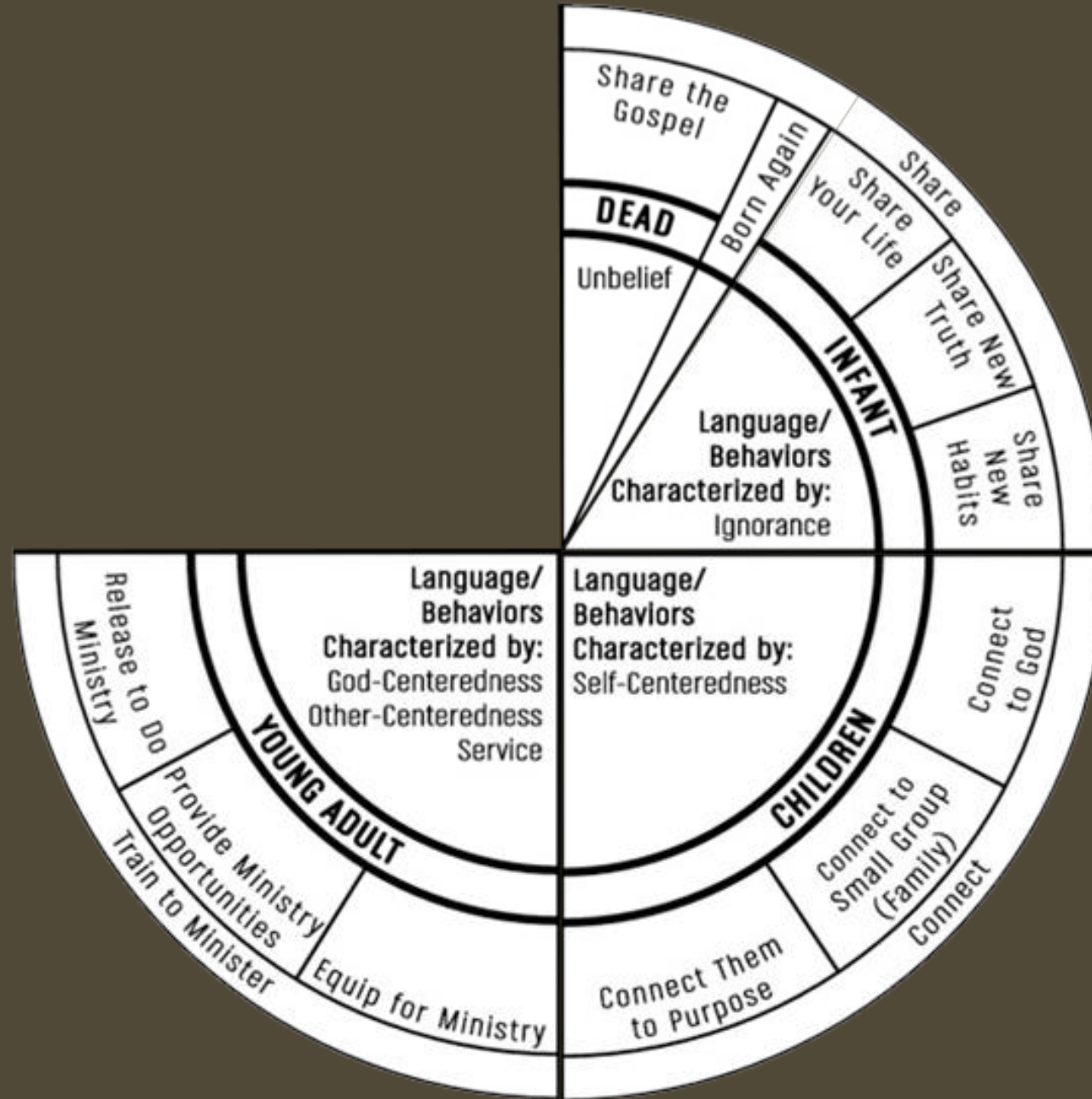
<sup>12</sup> You have been believers so long now that you ought to be teaching others. Instead, you need someone to teach you again the basic things about God's word. You are like babies who need milk and cannot eat solid food. <sup>13</sup> For someone who lives on milk is still an infant and doesn't know how to do what is right. <sup>14</sup> Solid food is for those who are mature, who through training have the skill to recognize the difference between right and wrong. (NLT)

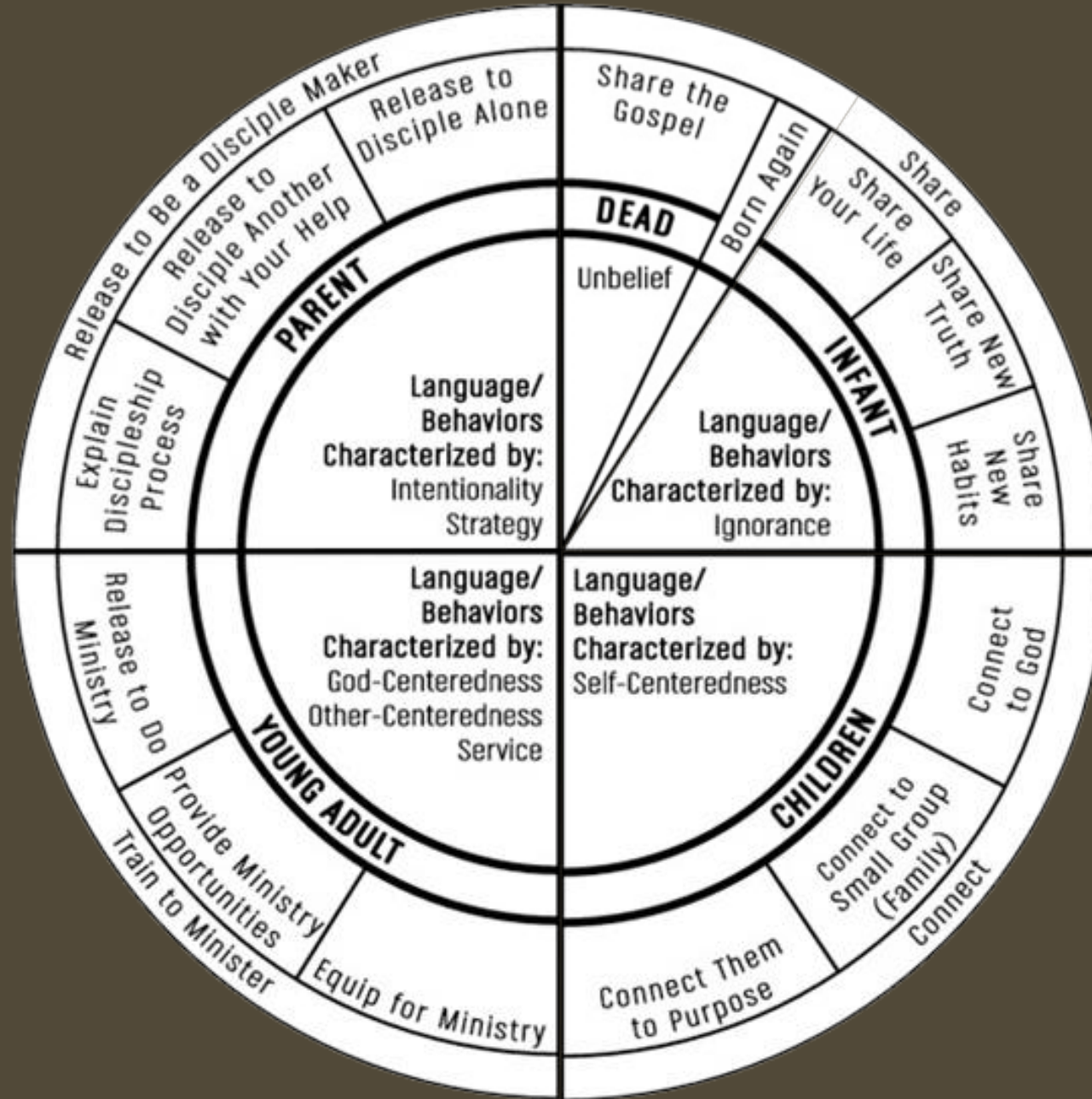


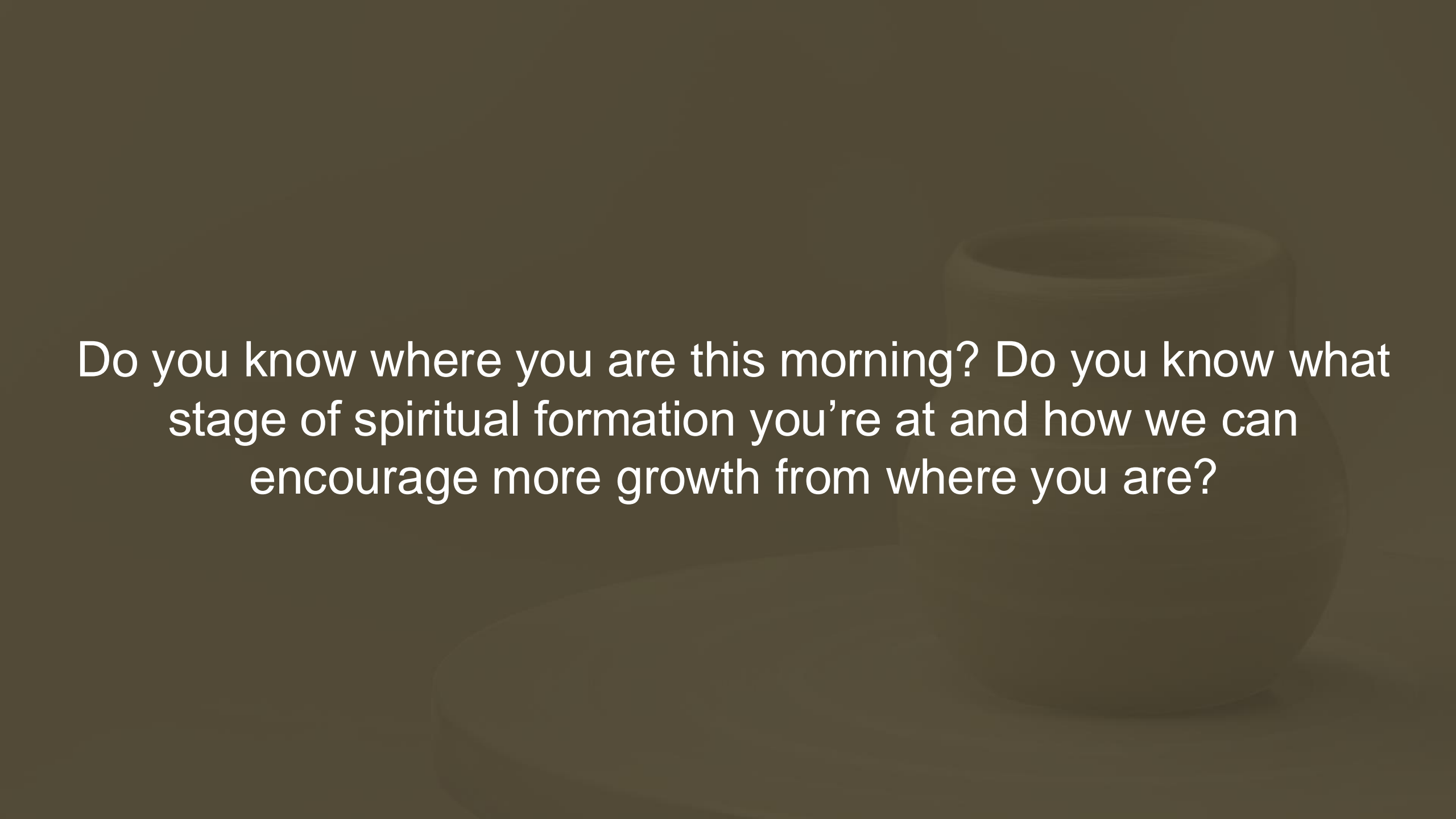












Do you know where you are this morning? Do you know what stage of spiritual formation you're at and how we can encourage more growth from where you are?

## **Colossians 2:7**

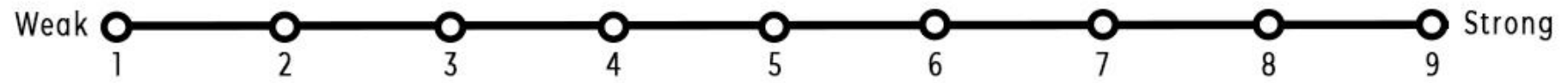
<sup>6</sup> And now, just as you accepted Christ Jesus as your Lord, you must continue to follow him. <sup>7</sup> Let your roots grow down into him, and let your lives be built on him. Then your faith will grow strong in the truth you were taught, and you will overflow with thankfulness. (NLT)

## **Luke 6:40**

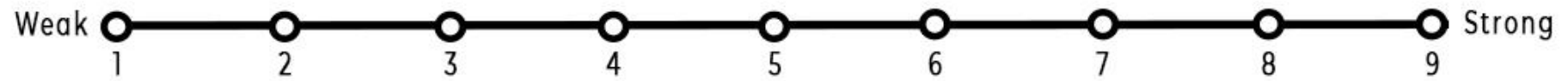
<sup>40</sup> Students are not greater than their teacher. But the student who is fully trained will become like the teacher. (NLT)



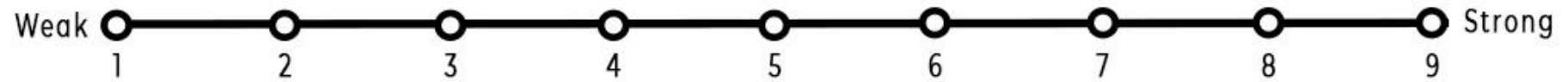
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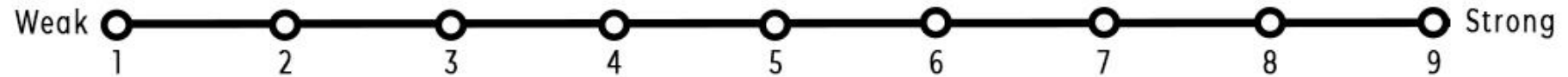
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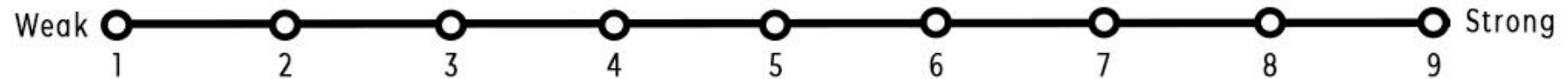
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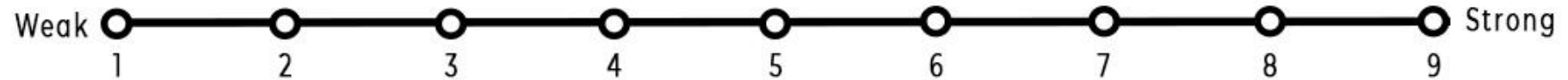
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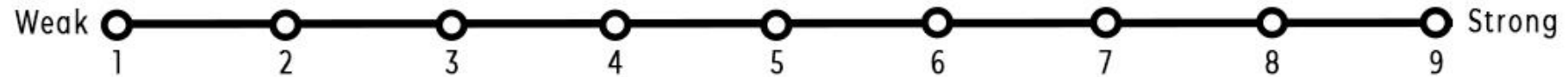
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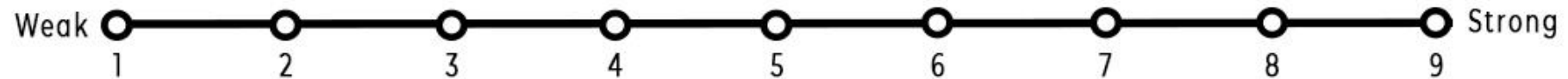
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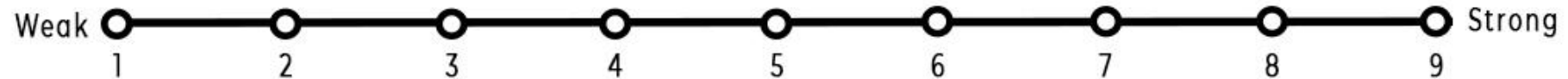
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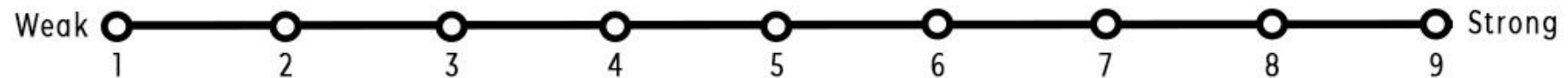
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## Reflection of Christ's Character



## Partnership on Christ's Mission



## Belief in Christ



## Commitment to Christ's Teachings



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