

Why is Lordship so Difficult?

20 + 24

A photograph of an open Bible with a cross and the numbers 20 and 24 on top, set against a sunset background. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a bright glow and lens flare effect. The cross is positioned between the numbers 20 and 24. The Bible is open, and the pages are visible.

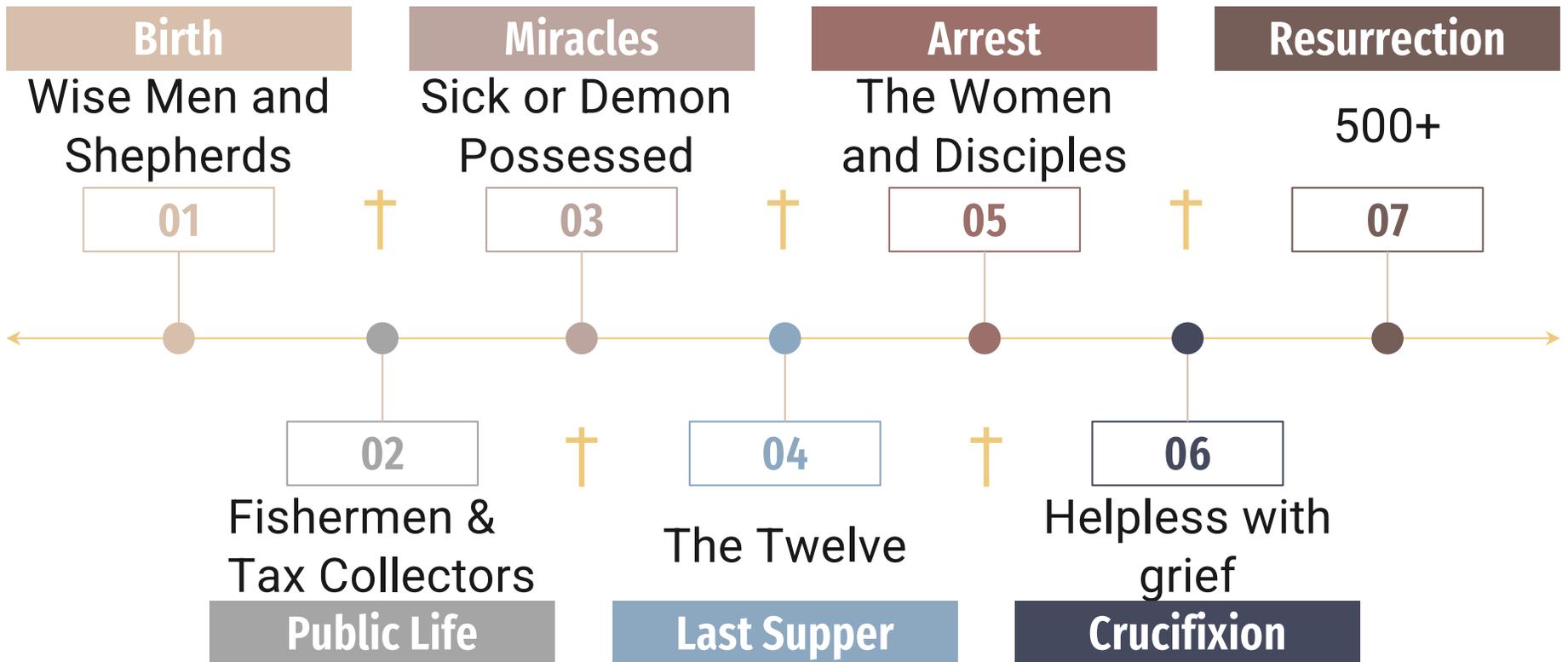
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Why is the Lordship of Christ so Difficult?

Why do you **call me 'Lord, Lord,'** and **not do what I tell you?** Everyone who comes to me and hears my words and does them, I will show you what he is like: he is like a man building a house, who dug deep and laid the foundation on the rock. And when a flood arose, the stream broke against that house and could not shake it, because it had been well built. But the one who hears and does not do them is like a man who built a house on the ground without a foundation. When the stream broke against it, immediately it fell, and the ruin of that house was great.

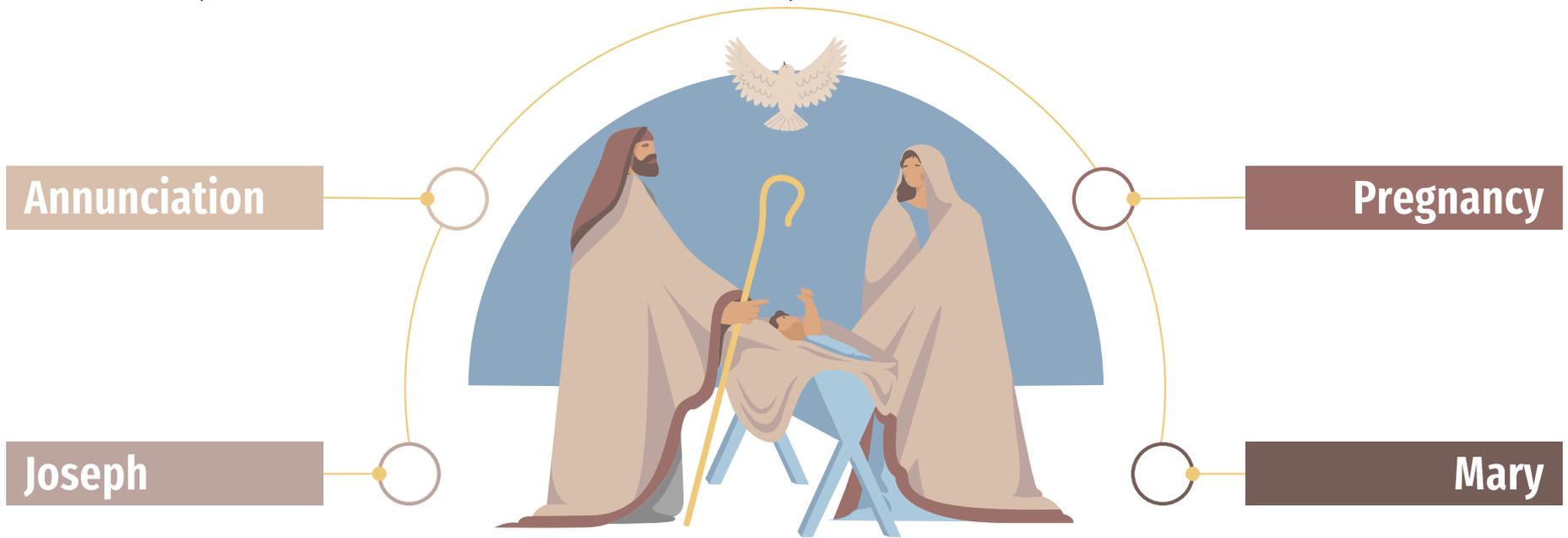
Luke 6:46-49

What if you had followed Jesus while he lived?

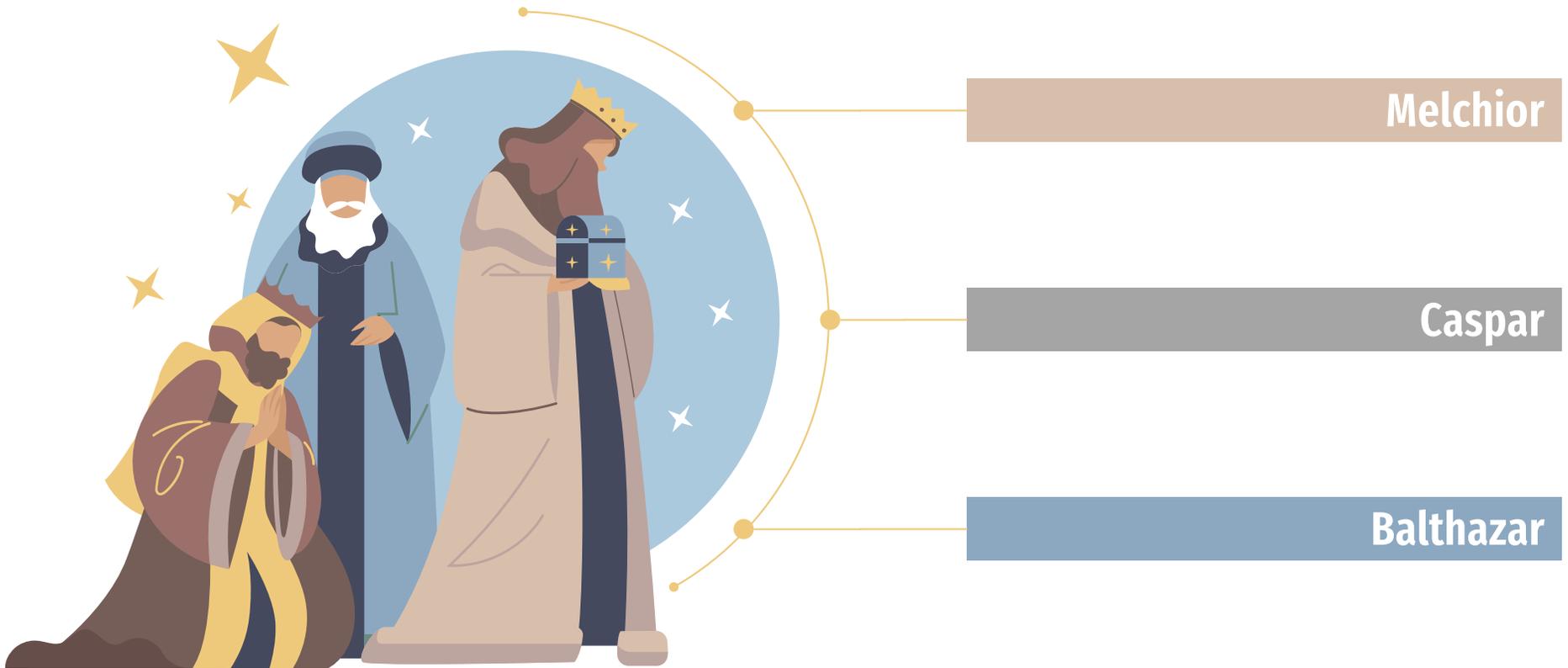


It wasn't Easy for Mary or Joseph

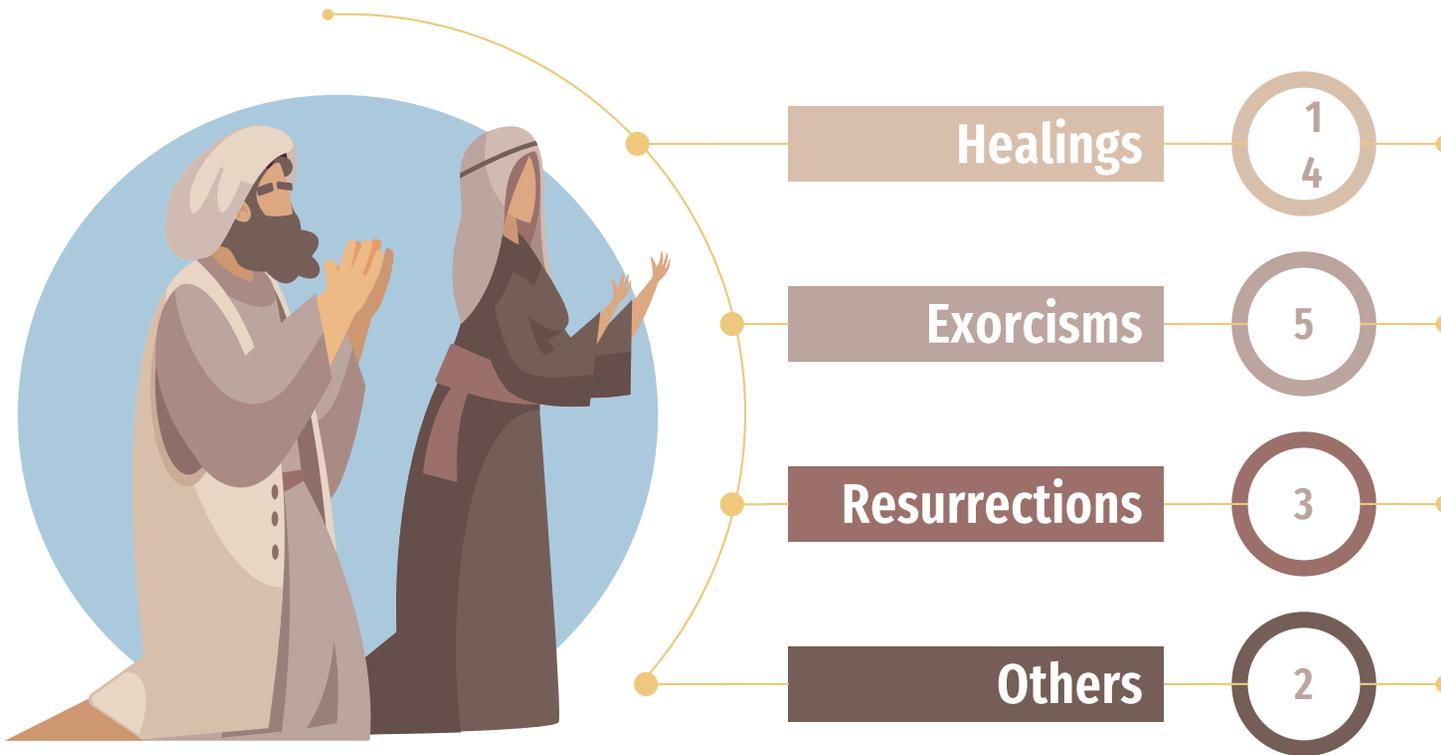
- When Jesus was born - While Jesus ministered - When he died



It wasn't easy for the Wise Men

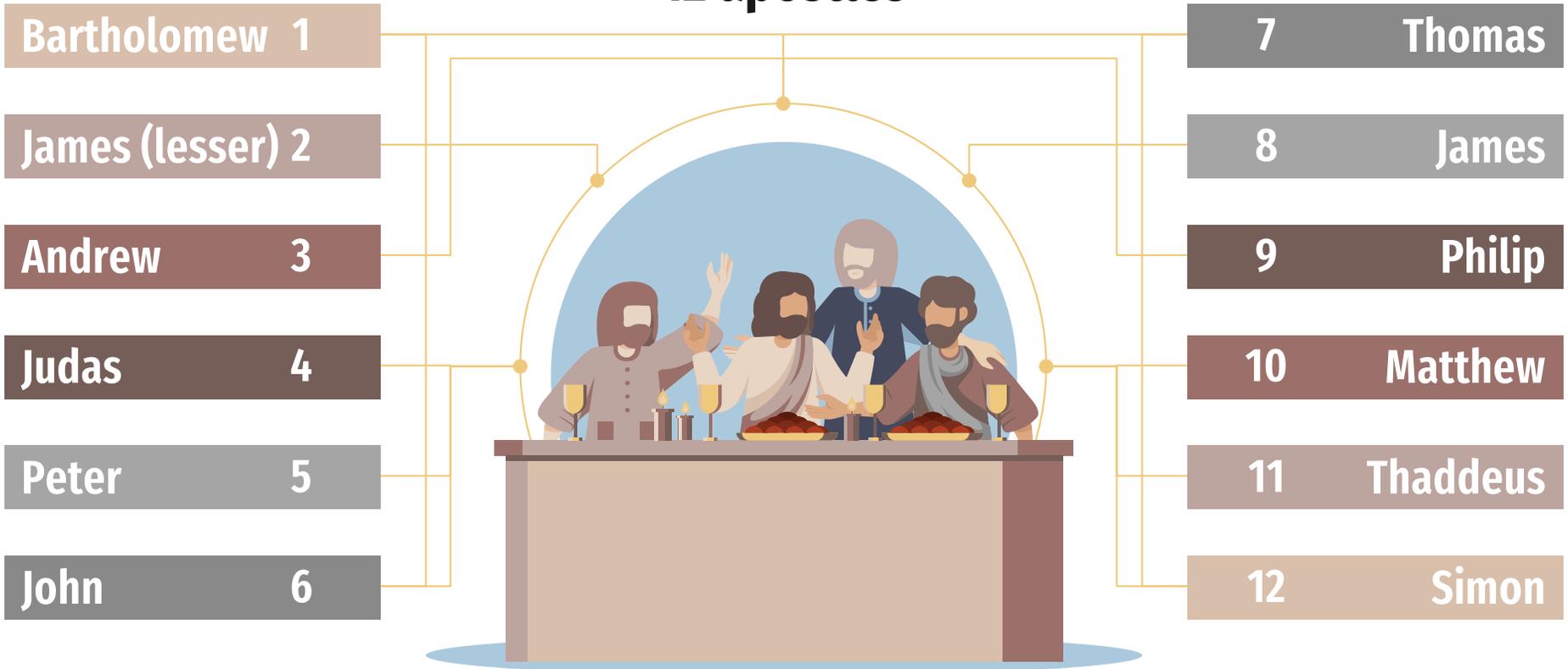


It wasn't easy for those who decided to follow Jesus as Lord



It wasn't easy to understand the teaching of Jesus

12 apostles



As a follower - it wasn't easy to see Jesus die

The Crucifixion



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Good foundations take time and effort



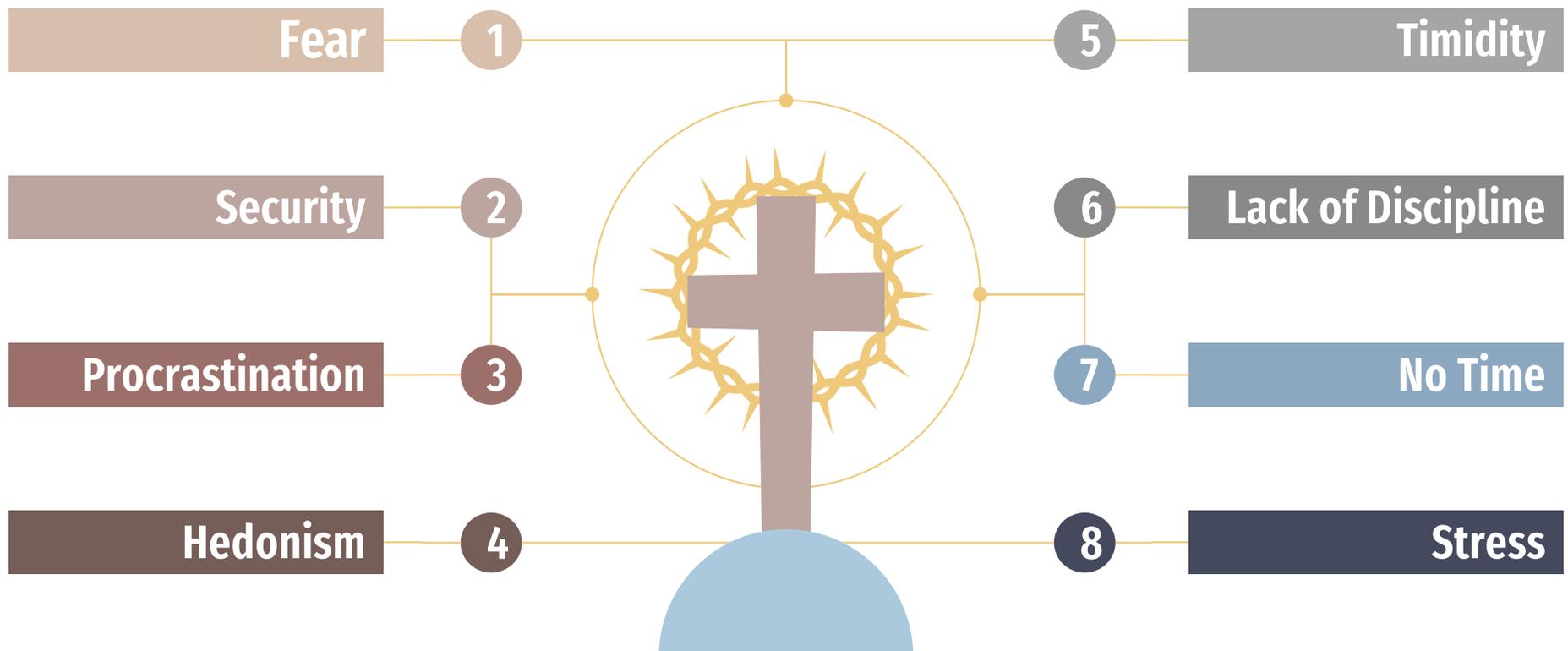
When there is no foundation - Yellowstone River Floods, 2022





**The house with
no foundation -
You say “Lord,
Lord.”
You don’t do
what I tell you.**

Reasons why we find it difficult to follow Jesus



It took time for the early Church to realize that the resurrection of Jesus wasn't the end - it was just a beginning

Gospels

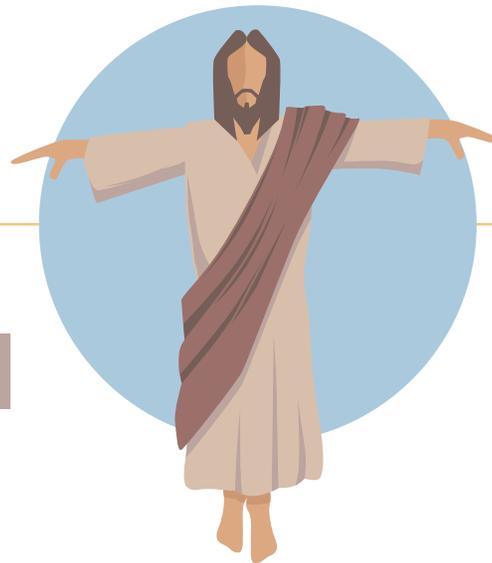
Record the
Life of Jesus
60s-90s AD

Biographies

Paul's letters

Make sense
of Jesus's life
50s-60s AD

Epistles



Roman evidence

Testifies to
his life
112 AD

Tacitus

Josephus

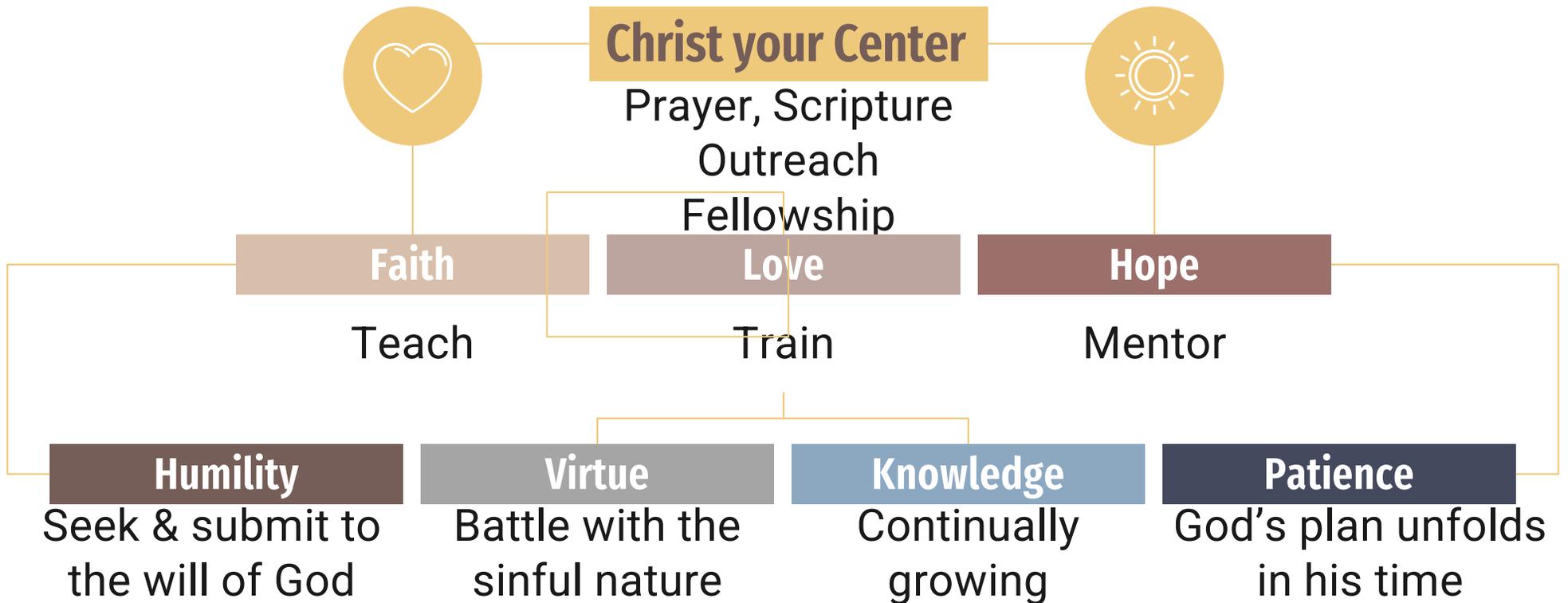
Sets the historical
context
90s AD

History

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations

Living with Obedience to Jesus as your Foundation

Invest in the Spiritual Being of Others



Make Obedience to Jesus the Foundation of Your Life



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