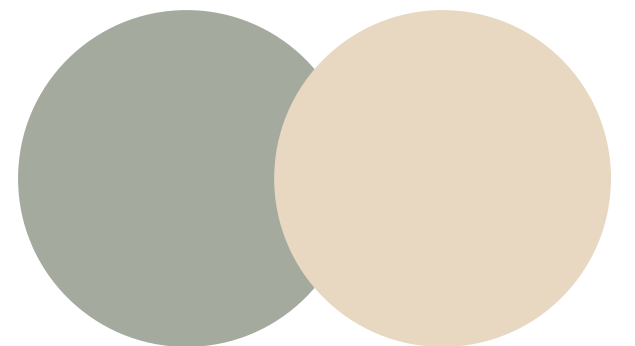




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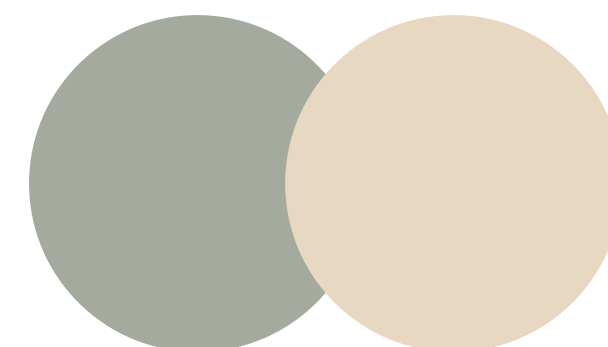
John 13:34

“A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.”



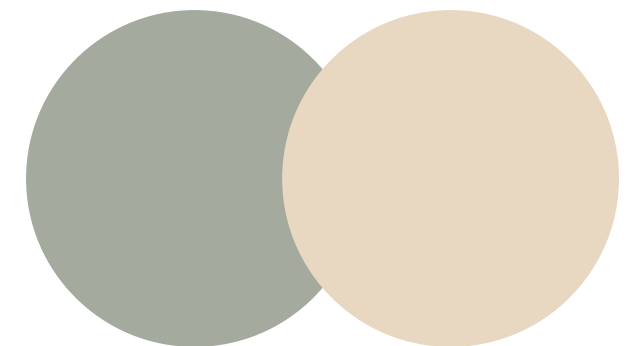
Matthew 28:18-20

Then Jesus came to them and said, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”



Acts 2:42-47

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. All the believers were together and had everything in common. They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need. Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.



Romans 12:10

Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves.

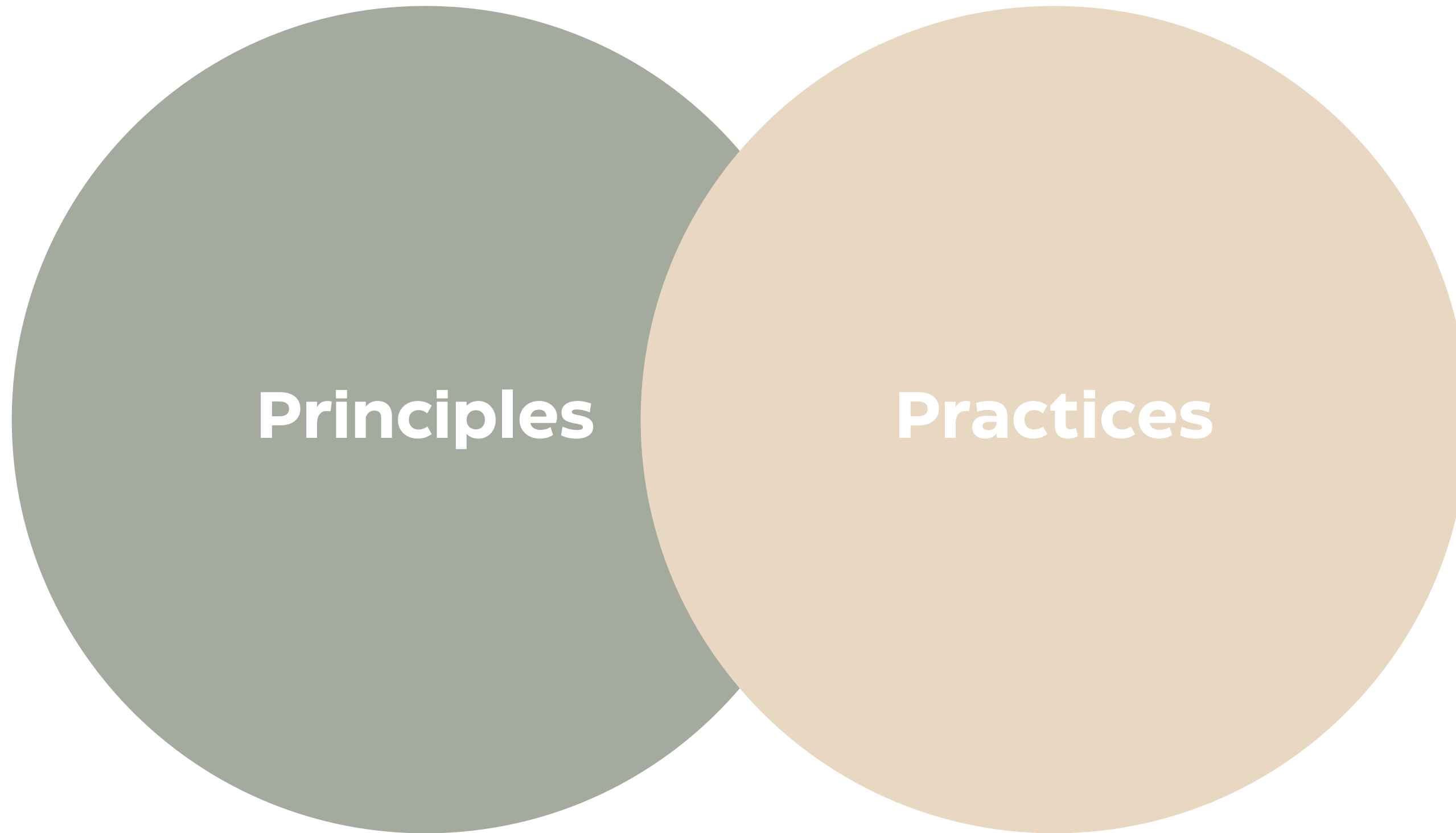
Hebrew 10:23-25

Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

1 John 3:10-11

This is how we know who the children of God are and who the children of the devil are: Anyone who does not do what is right is not God's child, nor is anyone who does not love their brother and sister. For this is the message you heard from the beginning: We should love one another.

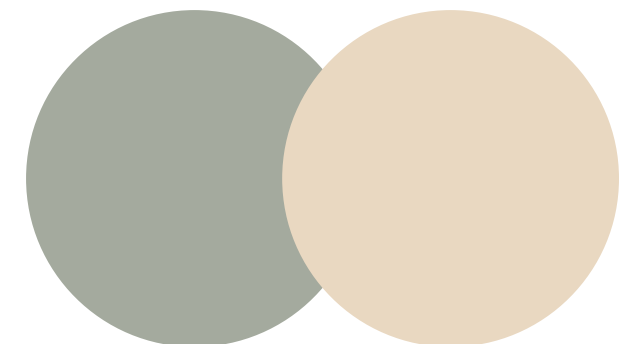
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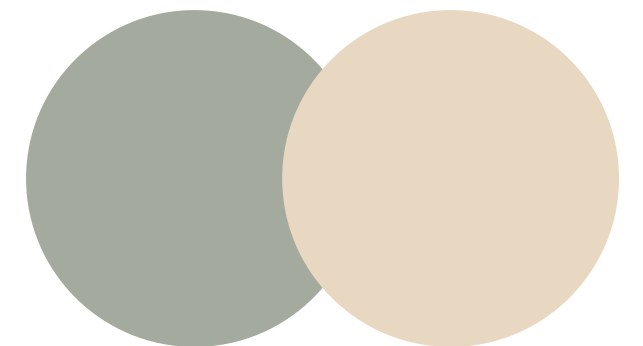
- A practice that marks some one as “in” or “out” of the church.
- A “one size fits all”
- A “means to an end” for growth
- A “one-stop shop” practice to solve all of life’s challenges/complexities.



One Another Relationships

ARE:

- Practices that help us journey *together* towards becoming more like Jesus in our views, behavior, character
- Clear relational expectations of one another as a fellowship based in the teachings of Jesus and the apostles.
- Common cultural practices that can be shared with new/long-term members.

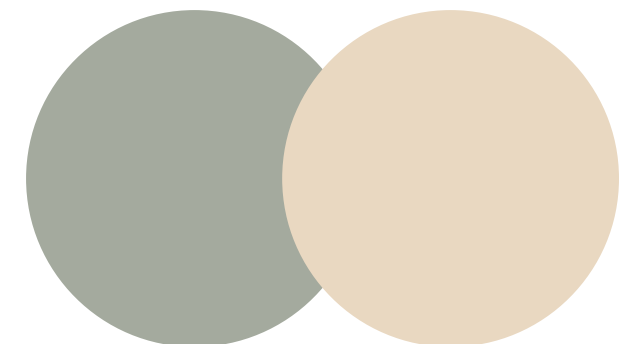


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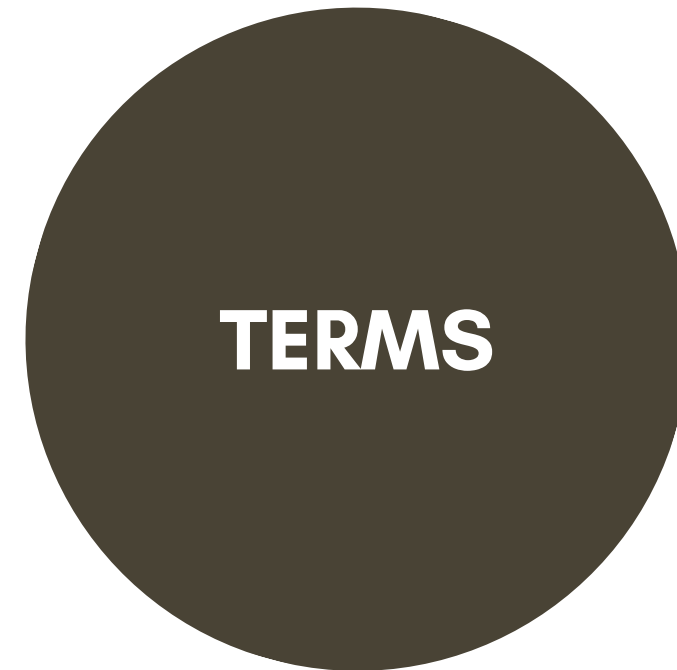
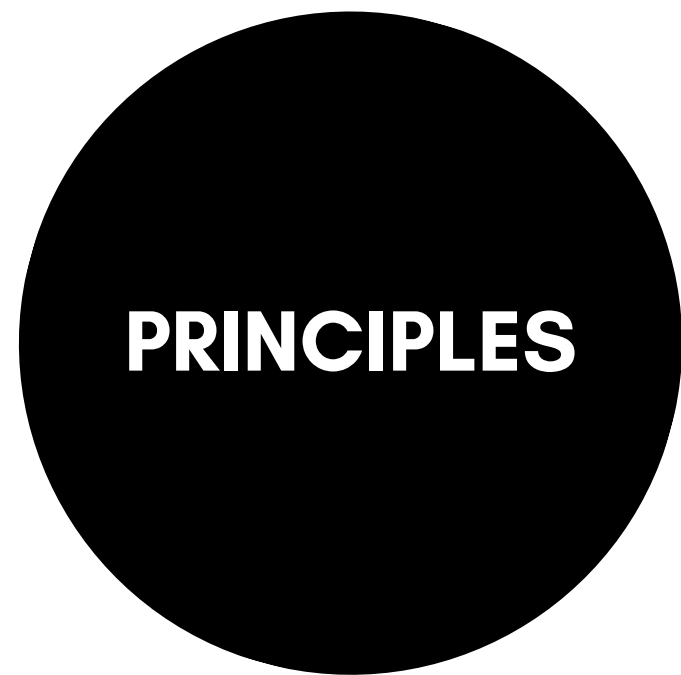
What do you notice about the commands to love one another? What surprises you or challenges you?

Why does it matter that we actively practice loving one another and helping one another become more like Jesus?

What do you imagine when you consider congregational practices/norms of “one another” relationships?



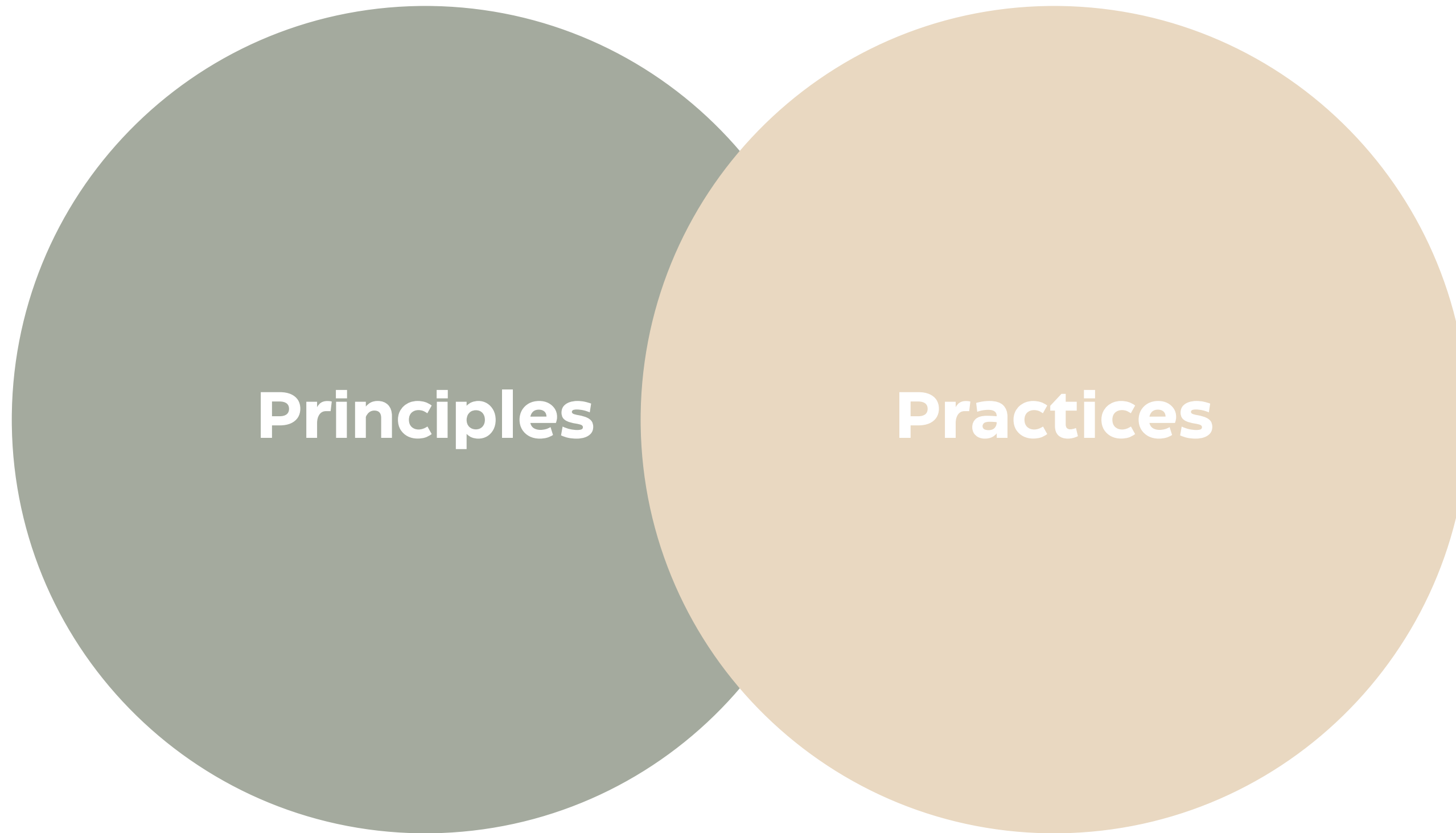
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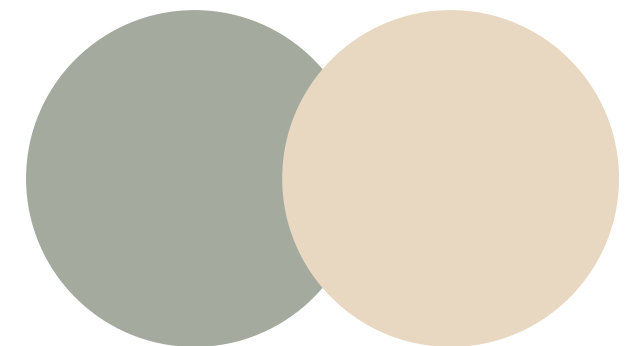
RECAP FROM LAST WEEK



“Principles Anchor Practices”

Mark 12:30-31

Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.' The second is this: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' here is no commandment greater than these."



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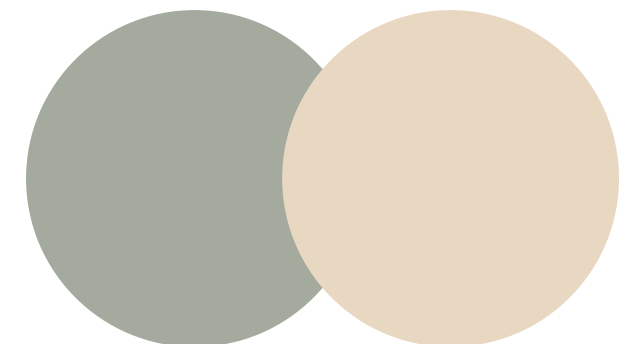
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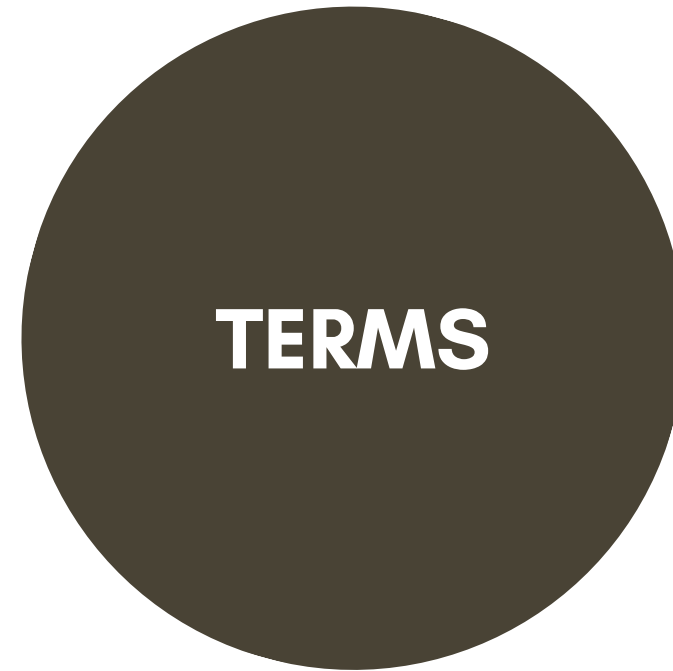
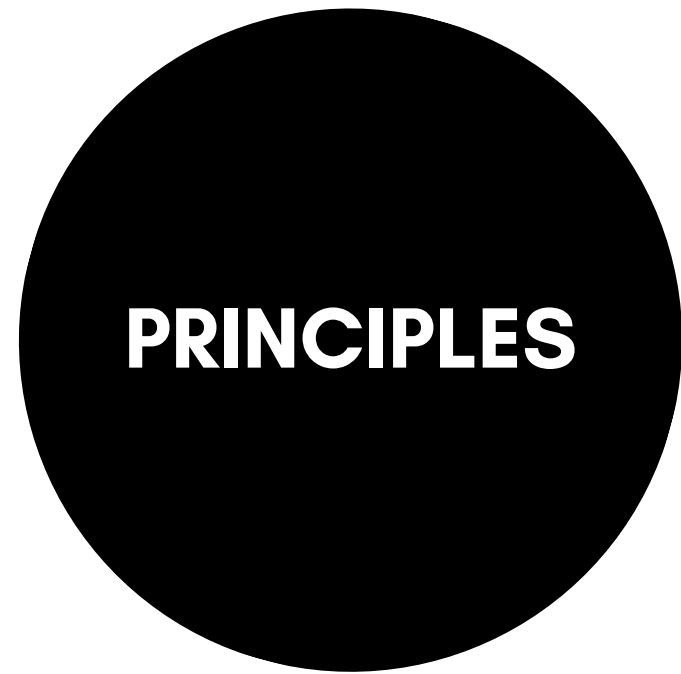
What do you notice about the standard of relationships Paul is calling the church to embody?

What in this passage challenges or disrupts your current motivations in one another relationships?

What motivation do you find in this passage to choose to love others in this way?



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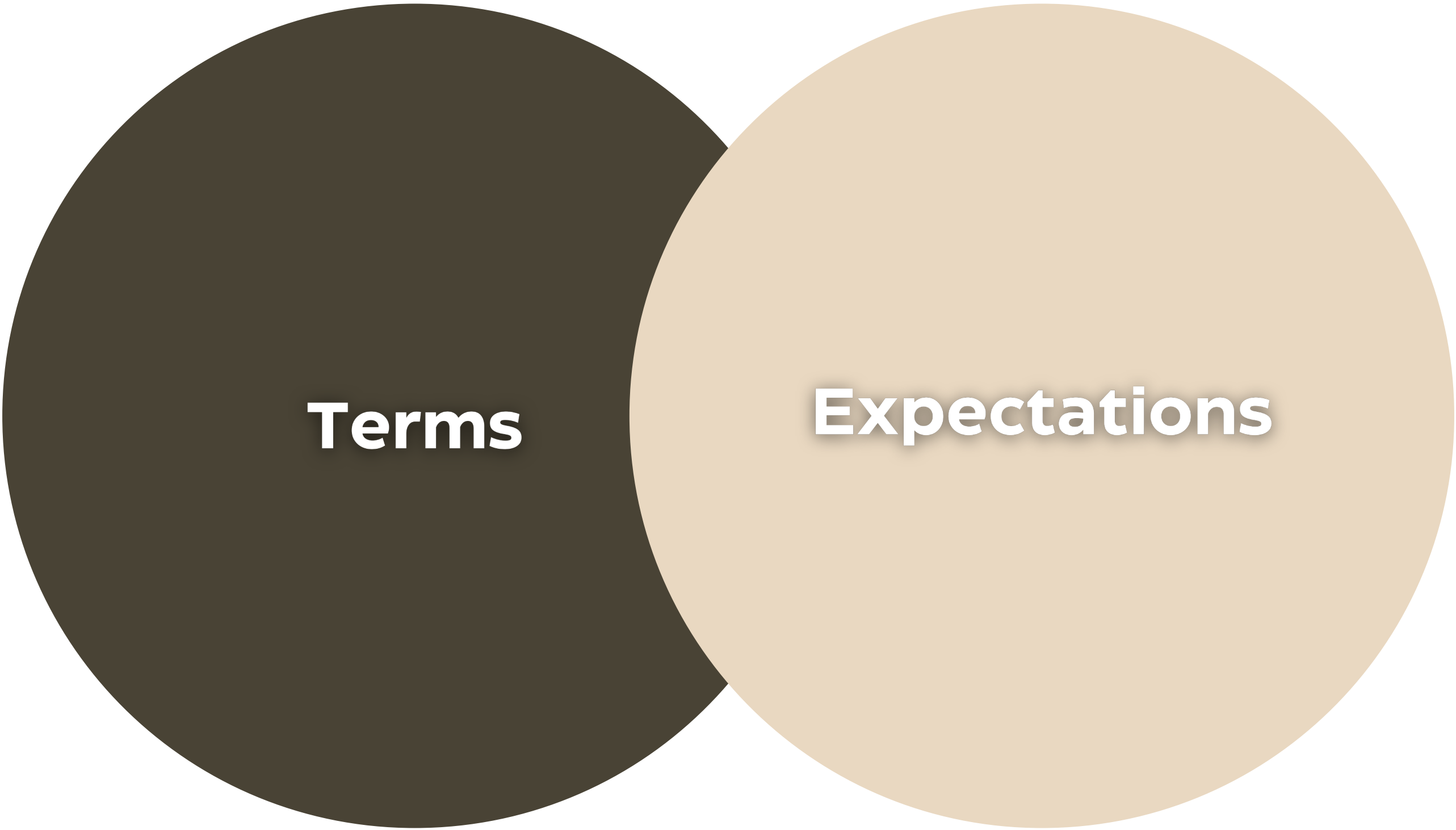


One Another Relationships

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Christ-like maturity means becoming more loving



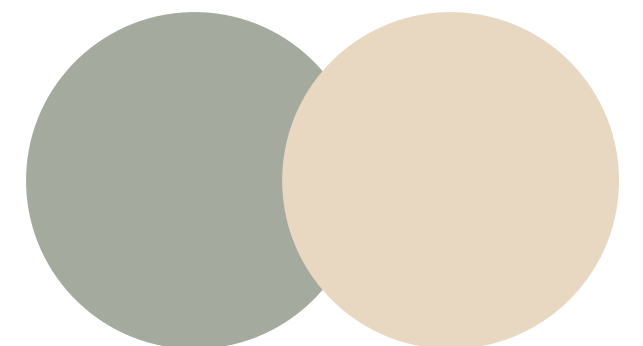
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Colossians 3:16

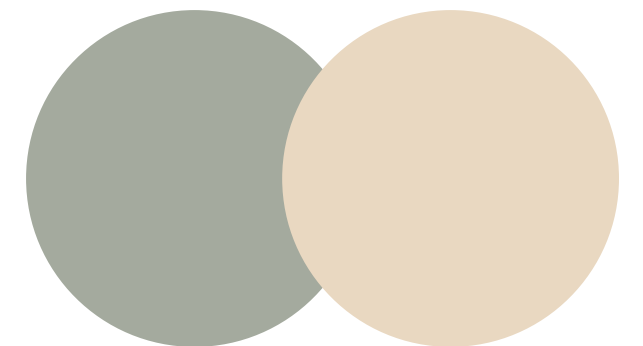
“Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts.

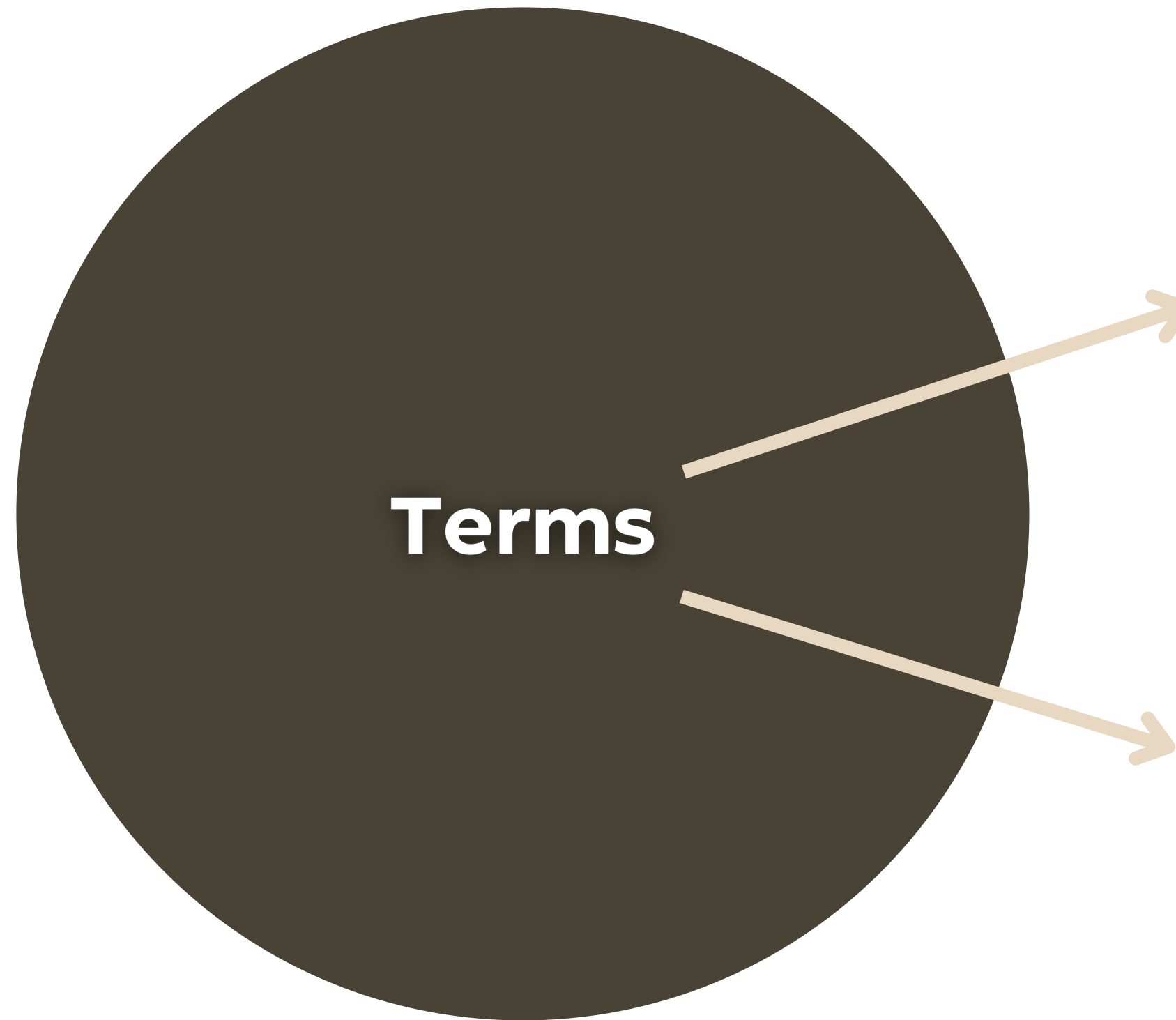
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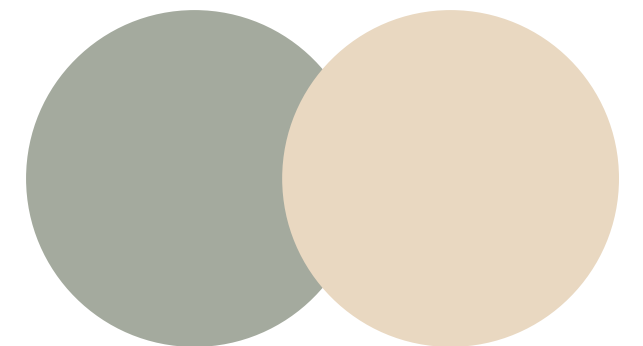
- “Encourage”
- “Disciplining”
- “D-Time”
- “Being Open”
- “Getting Advice”
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When we say “_____”, we mean...

“Discipleship Partner”

“Discipleship Group”

“Discipleship Time”



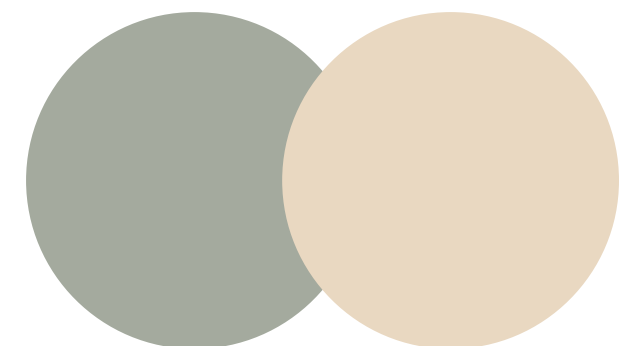
“Love one another deeply, from the heart” - 1 Peter 1:22

“Speak truthfully to your neighbor” - Ephesians 4:25

“Be like-minded” - 1 Peter 3:8

“Be devoted to one another in love” - Romans 12:10

“Honor one another above yourselves.” - Romans 12:10



When it comes to “one-another” relationships...

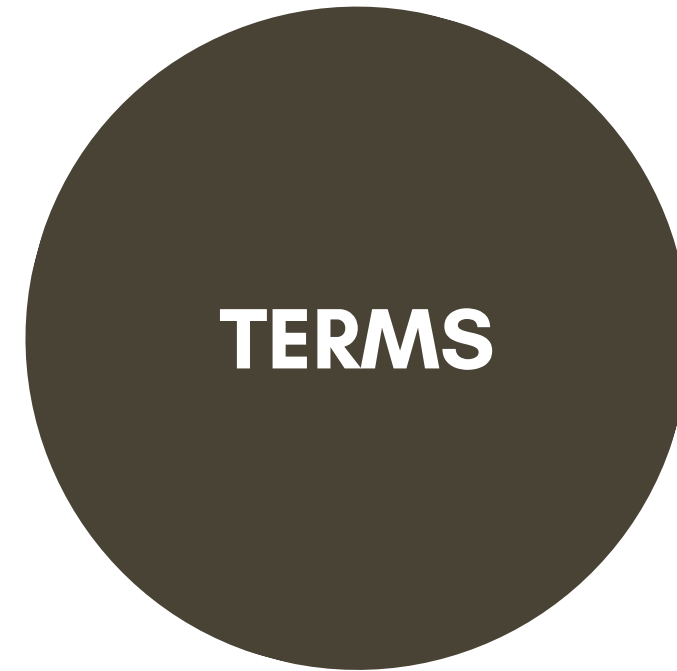
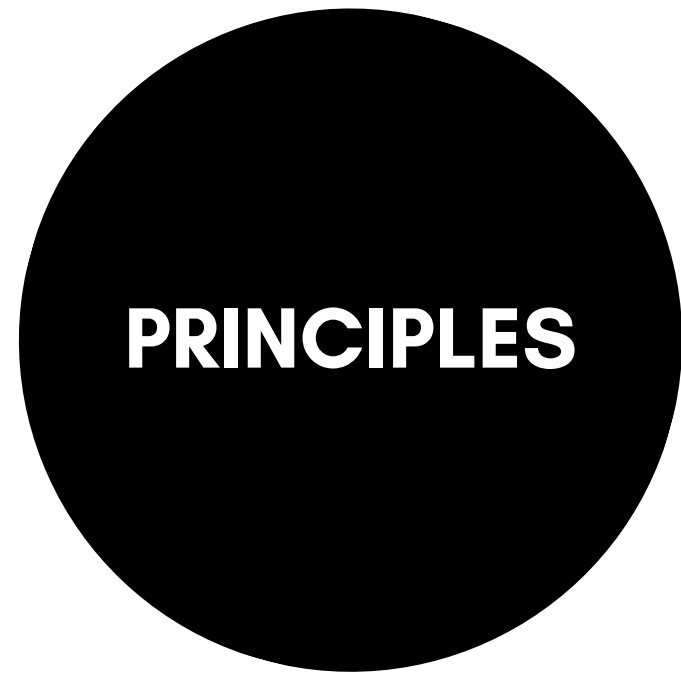
What Do I Expect Of
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What Do I Expect Of
Others?



Expectations

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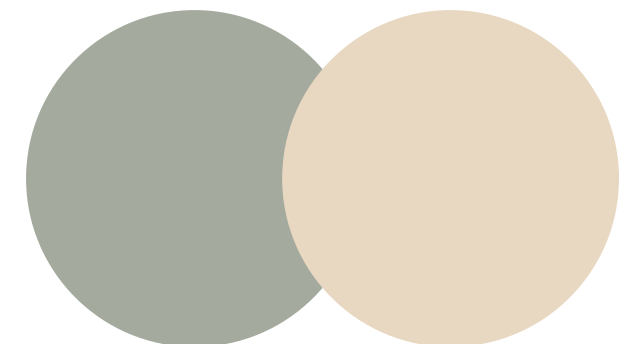




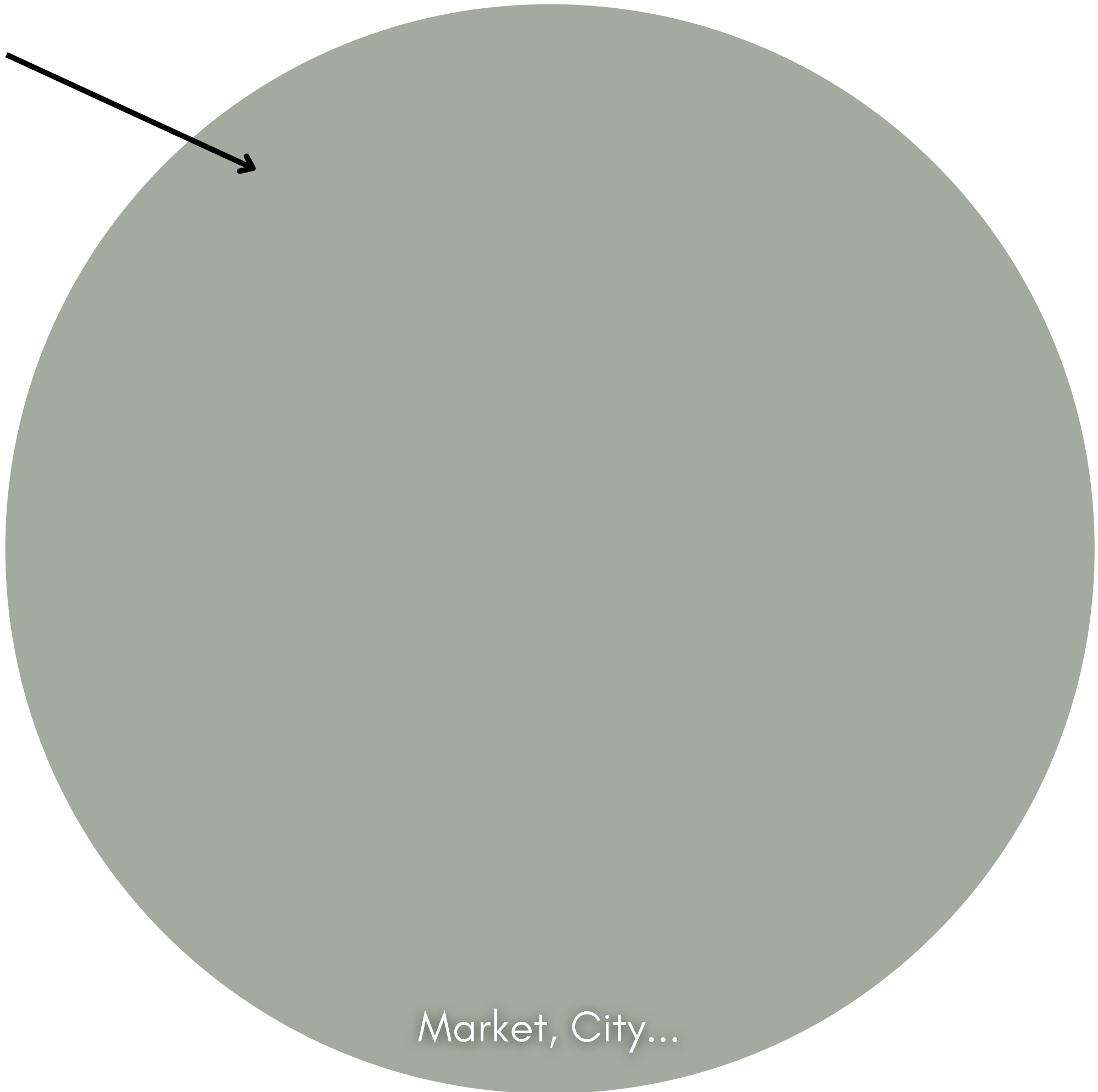
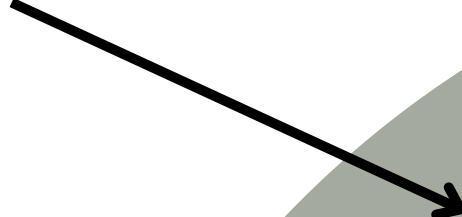
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1 John 4:20

Whoever claims to love God yet hates a brother or sister is a liar. For whoever does not love their brother and sister, whom they have seen, cannot love God, whom they have not seen.

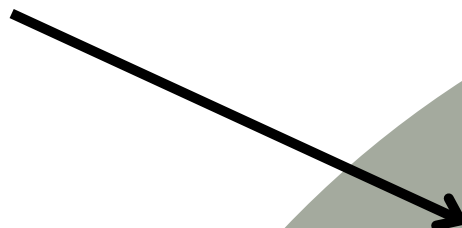


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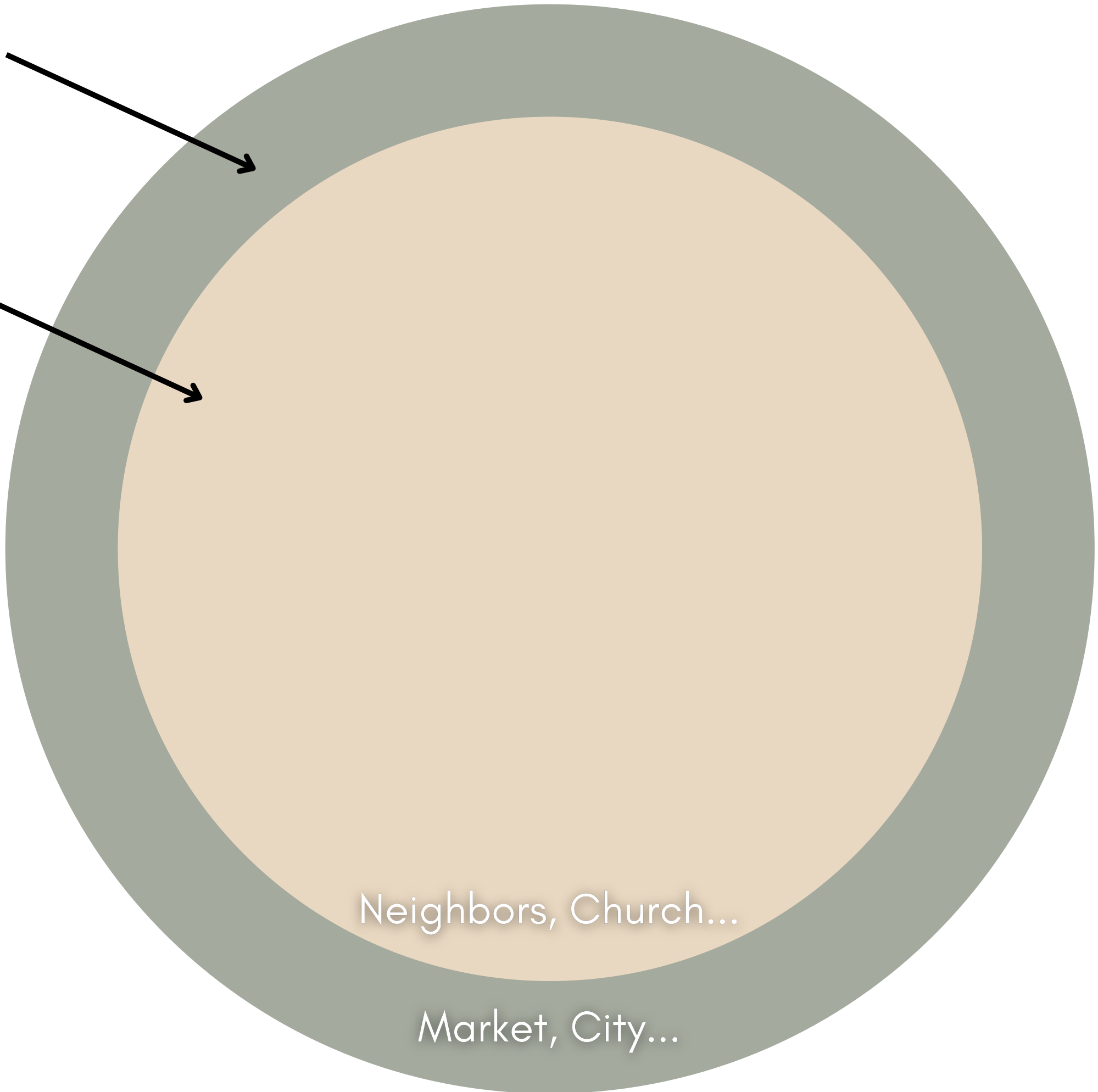
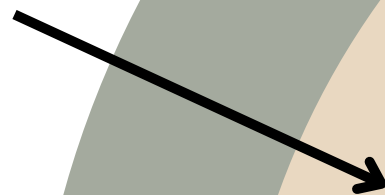


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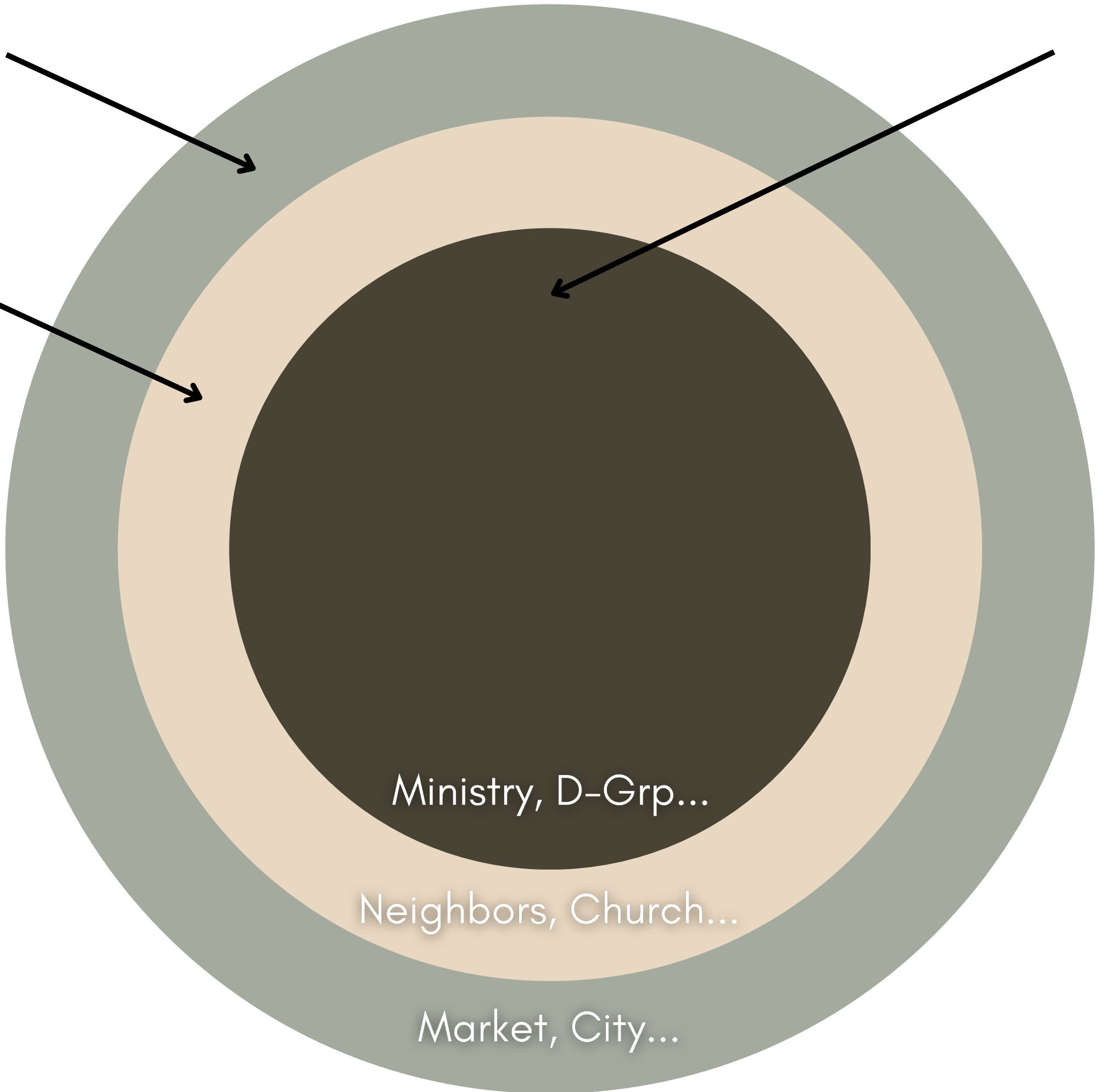
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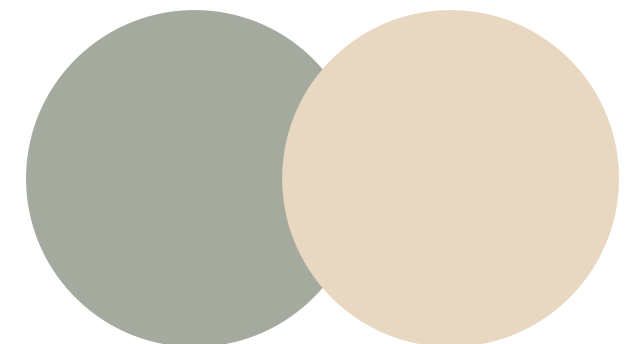
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John 6:15

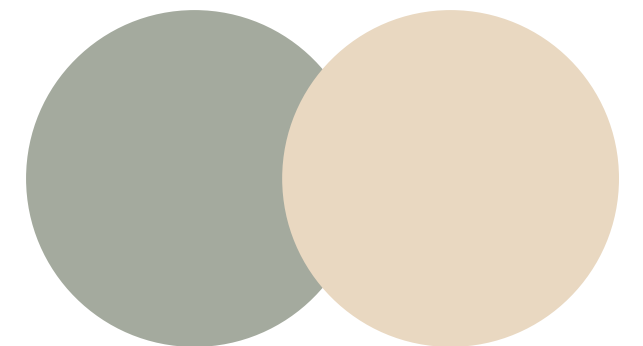
John 14:12

Very truly I tell you, whoever believes in me will do the works I have been doing, and they will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father.



John 10:17

The reason my Father loves me is that I lay down my life—only to take it up again.

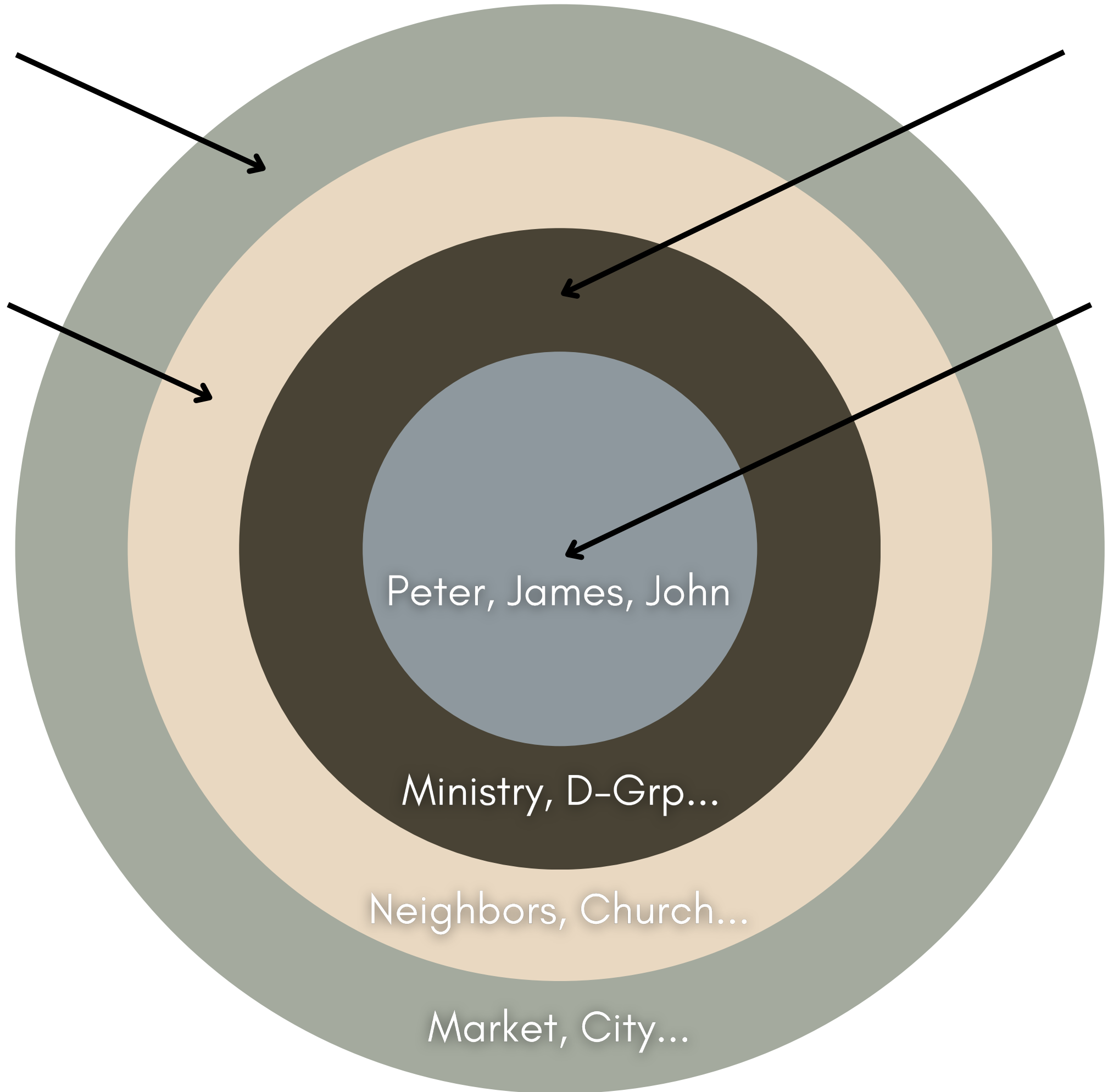


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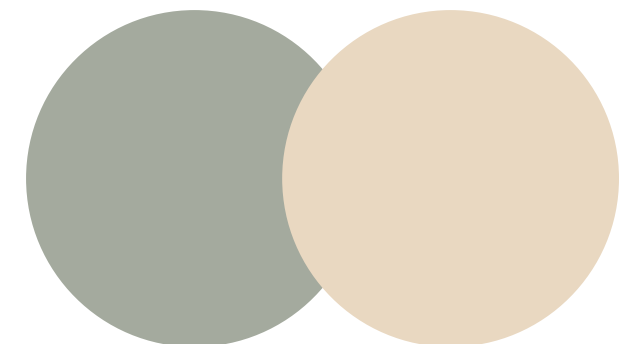
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Discussion:

What role do you think your personal agency plays in building relationships in the church?

What are you giving/receiving from your “small group” or “ministry” relationships in the church? From your “inner circle”?

How should our inherent limited relational-capacity inform our expectations of relationships in the church?

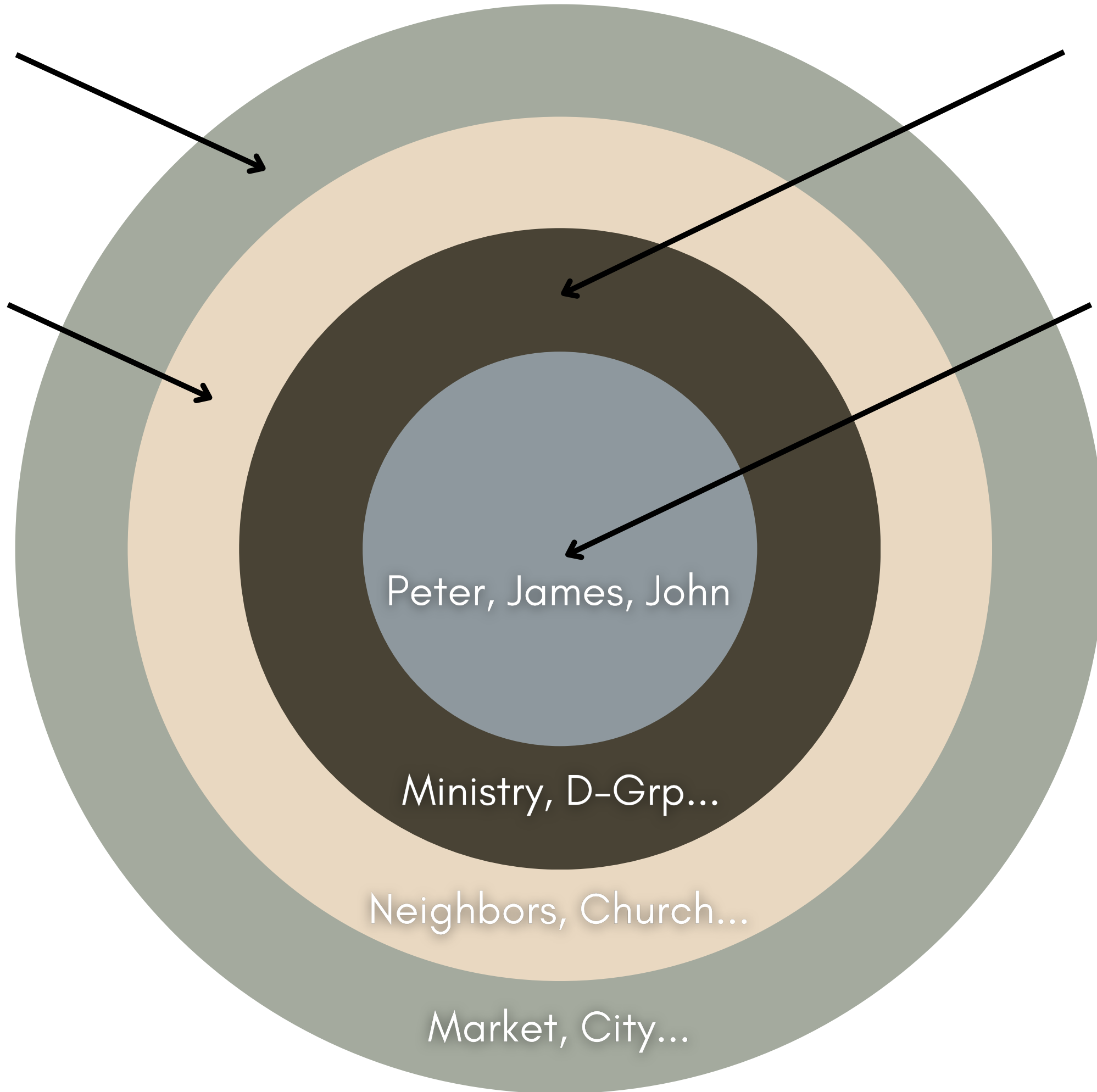


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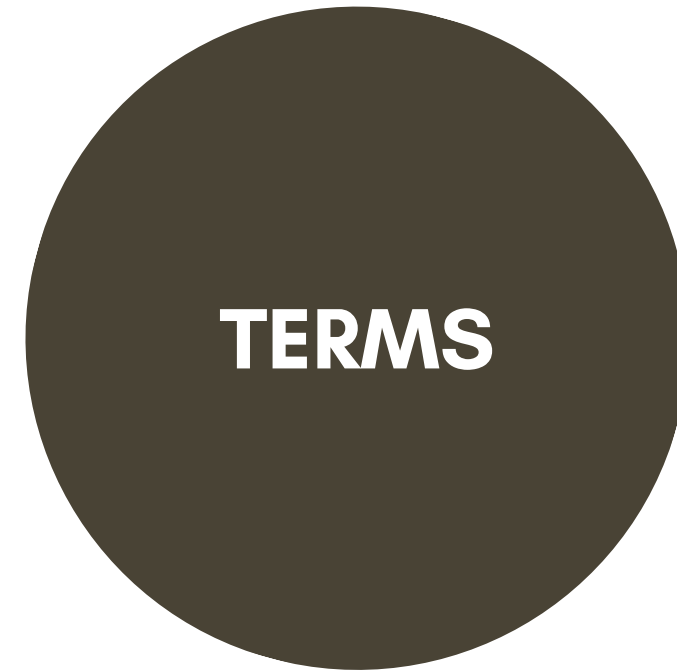
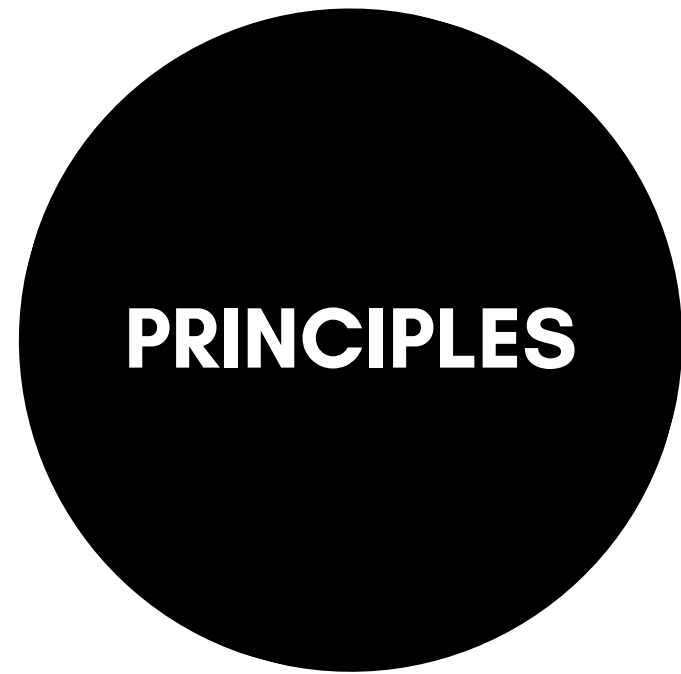
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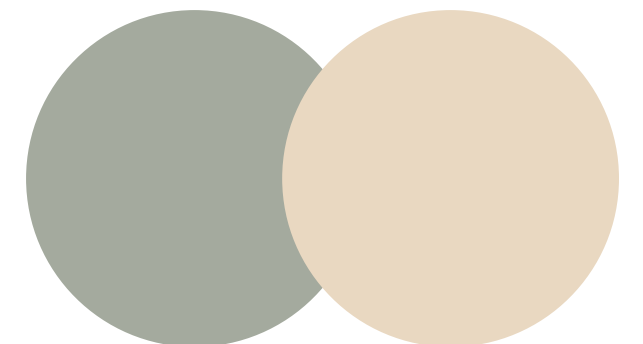
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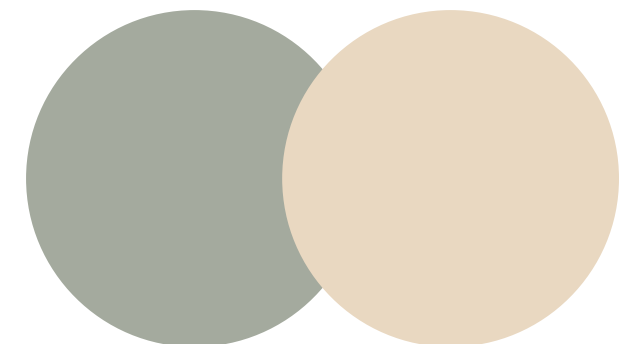


Romans 15:4

“I myself am convinced, my brothers and sisters, that you yourselves are full of goodness, filled with knowledge and competent to instruct one another”

Hebrews 10:24

And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds

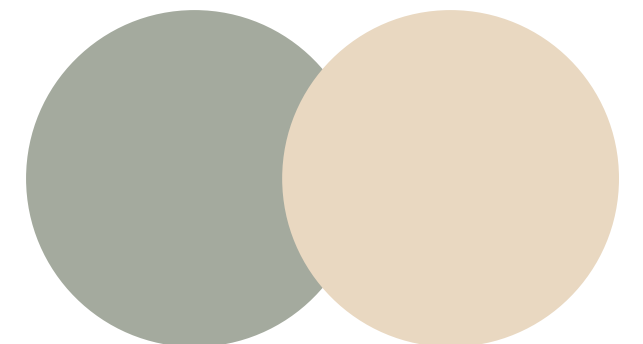


2 Timothy 2:2

And what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men, who will be able to teach others also.

James 5:19-20

My brothers and sisters, if one of you should wander from the truth and someone should bring that person back, remember this: Whoever turns a sinner from the error of their way will save them from death and cover over a multitude of sins.



Ephesians 4:2

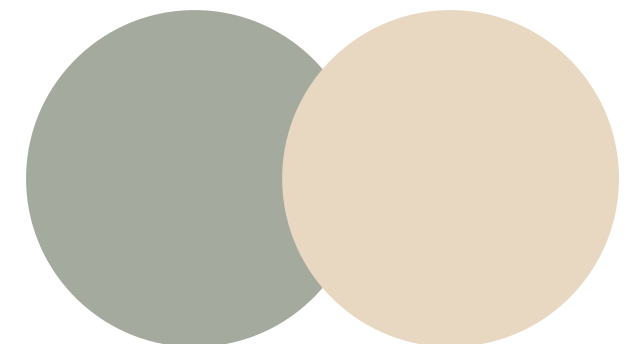
Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love.

Philippians 2:3-5

Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others. In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus:

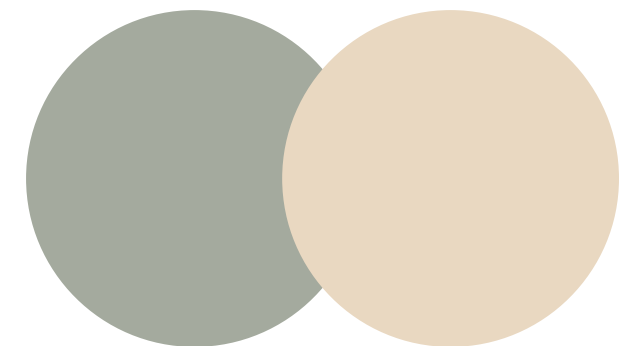
1 Thessalonians 5:11

Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing

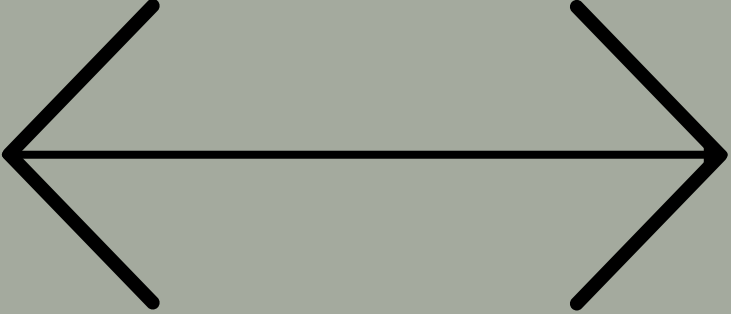


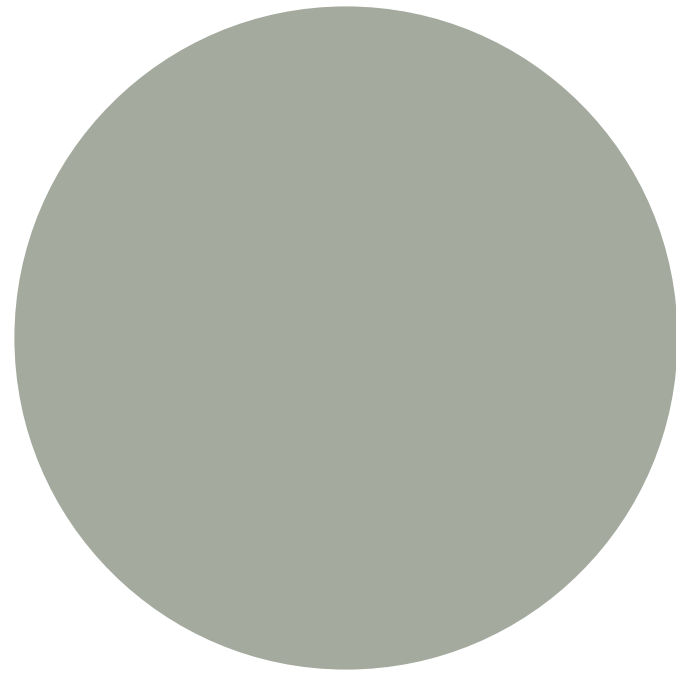
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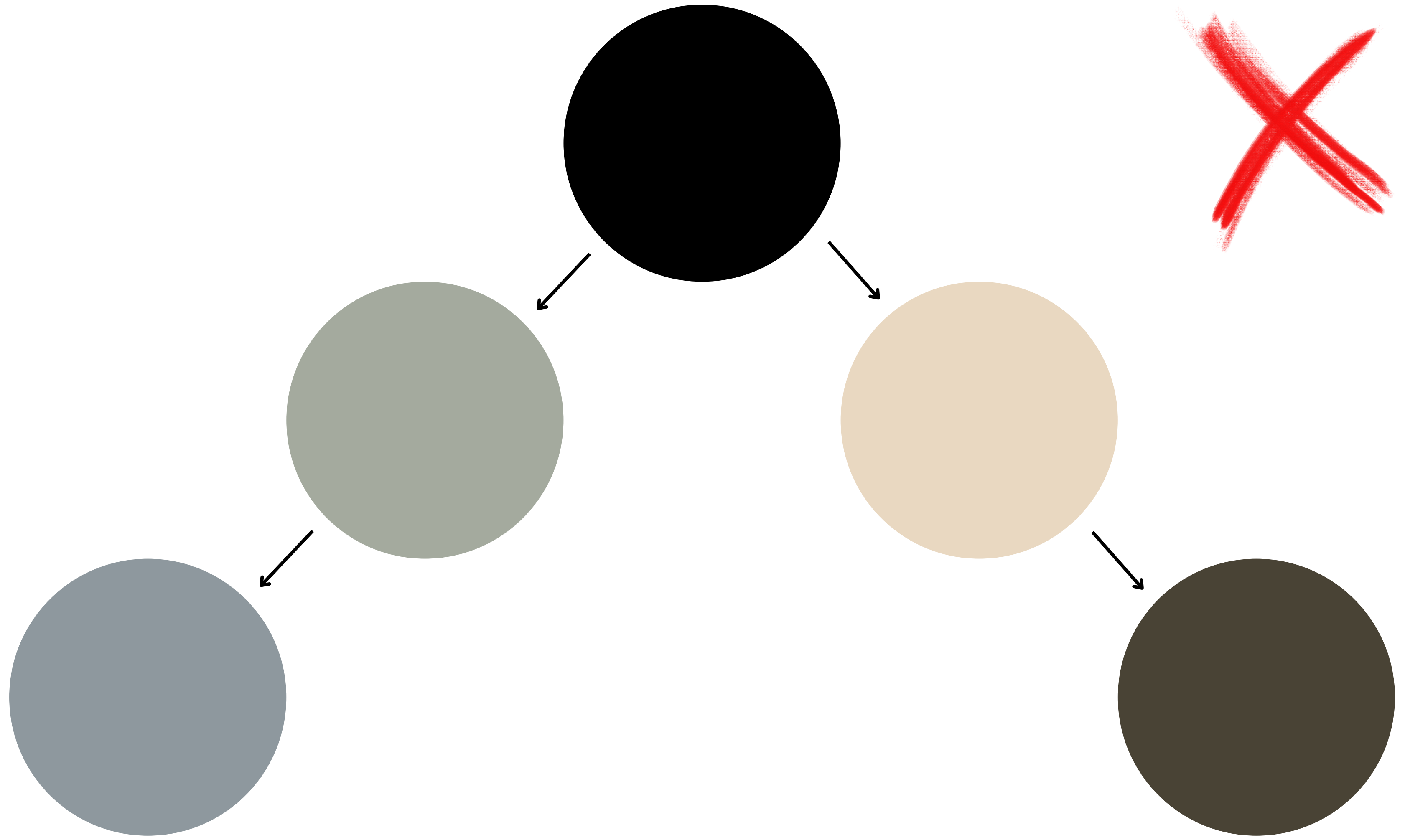
Jesus called them together and said, “You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first must be your slave— just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”

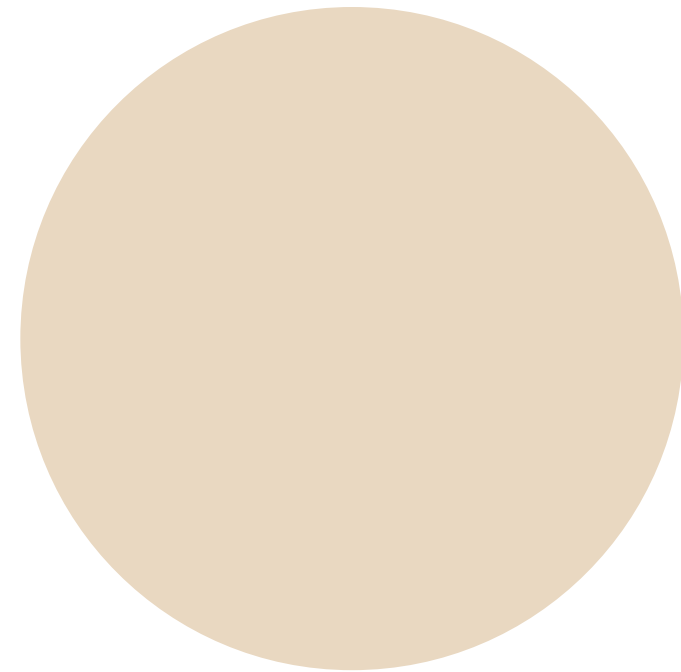
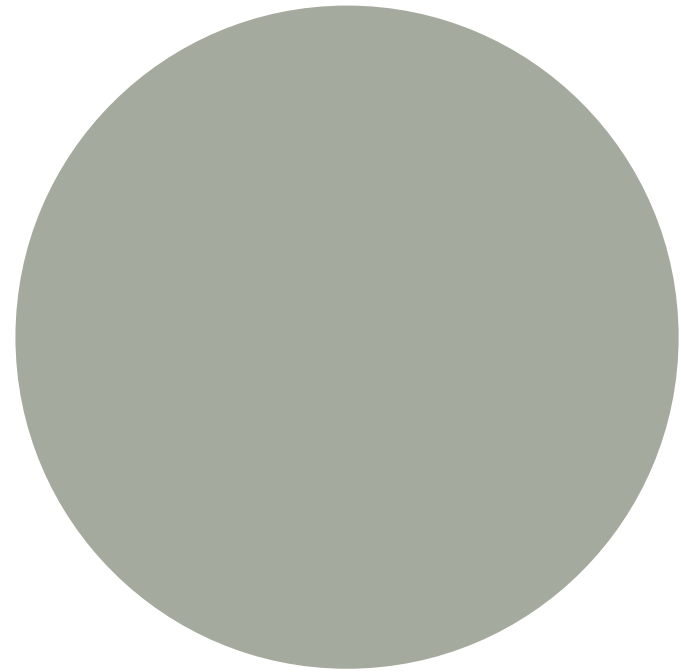
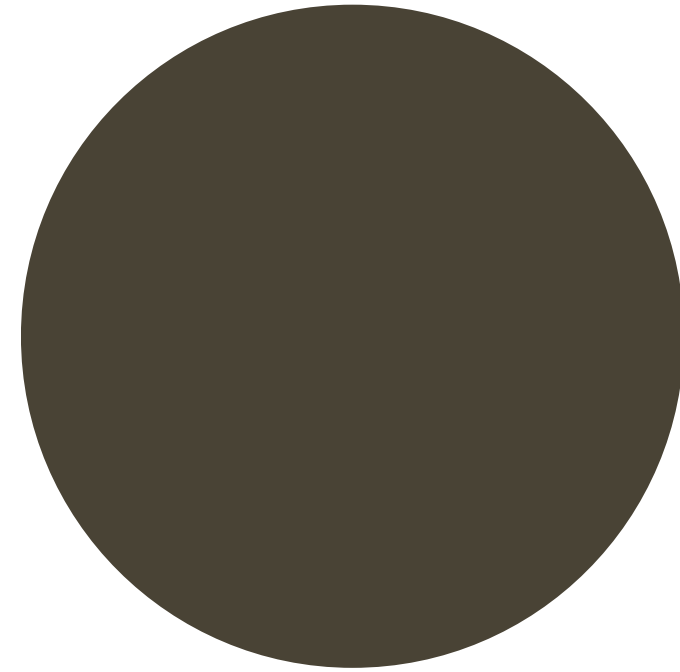
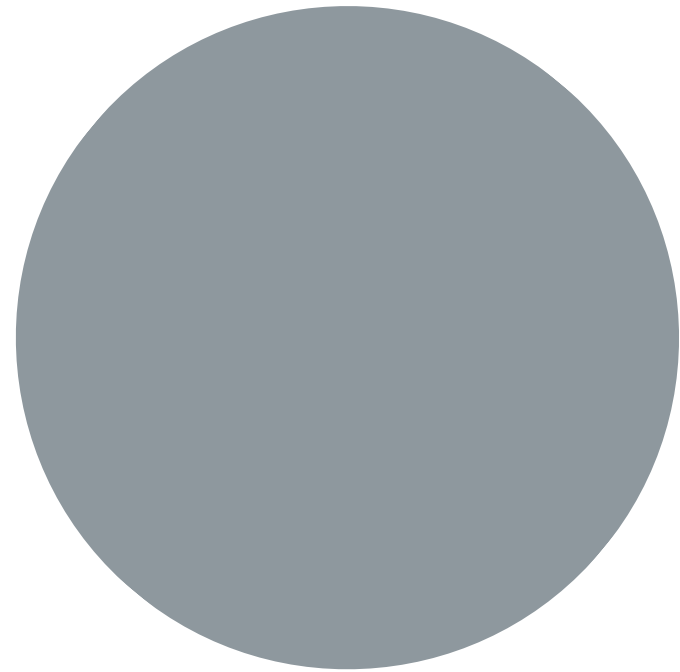
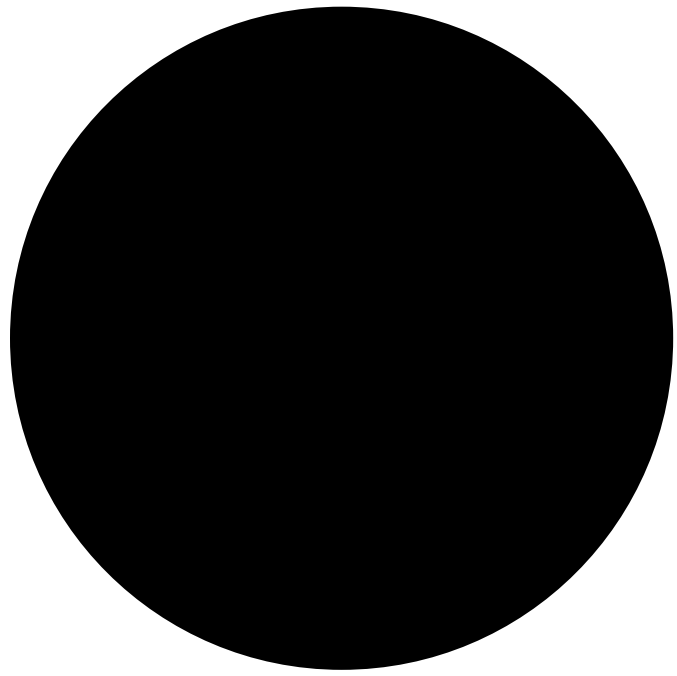


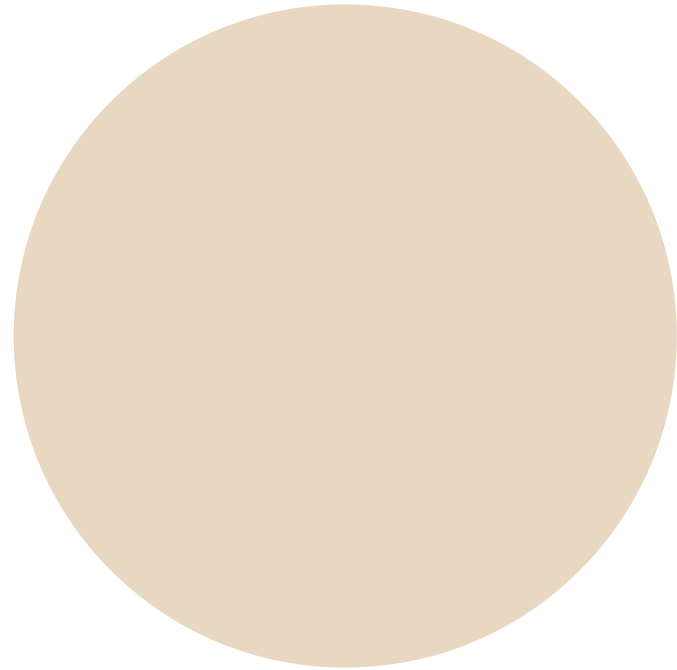
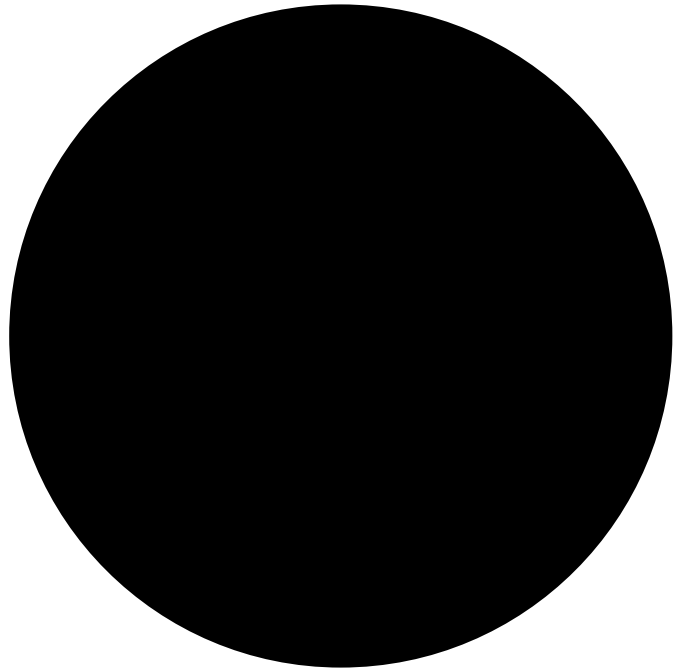
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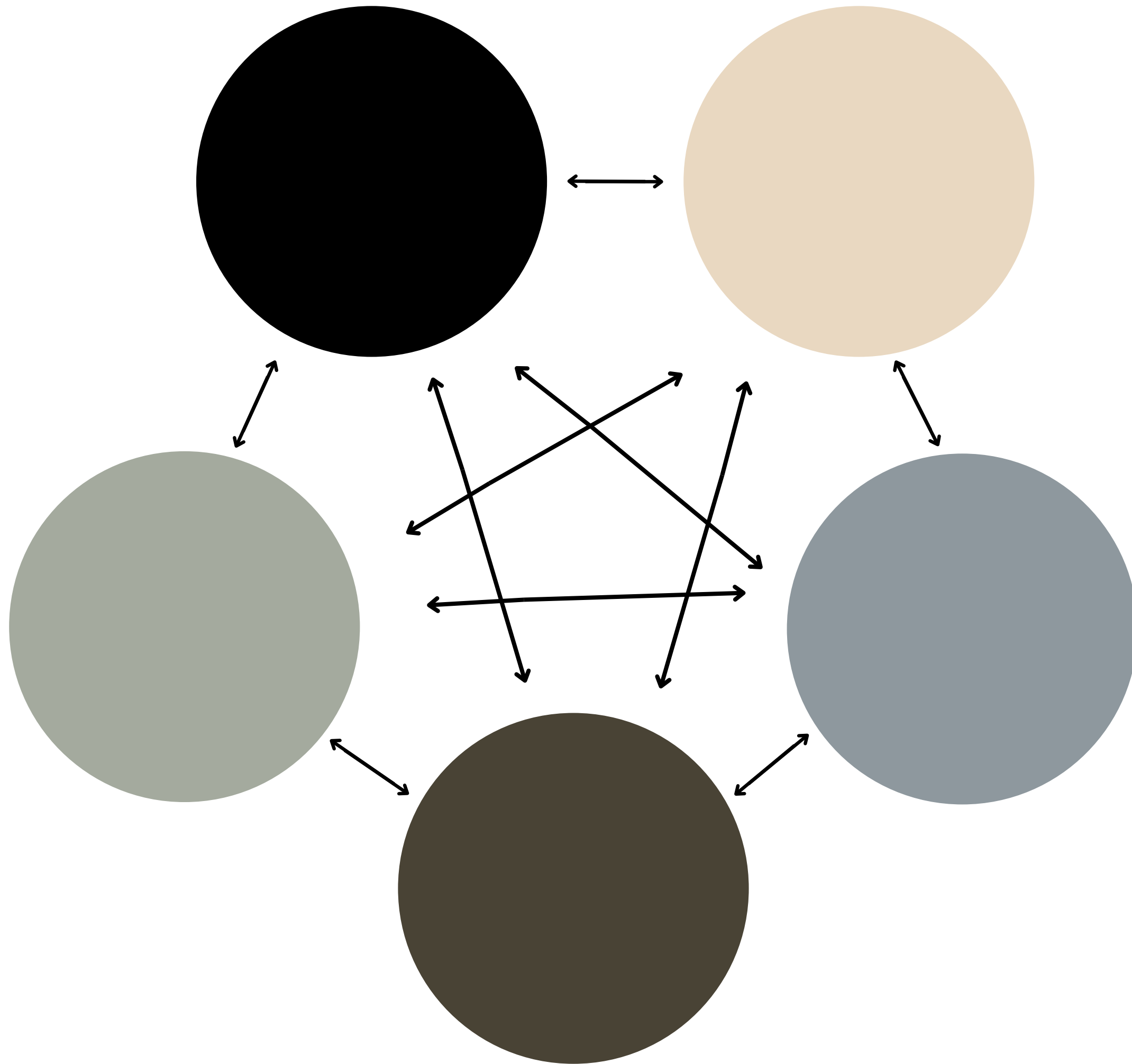
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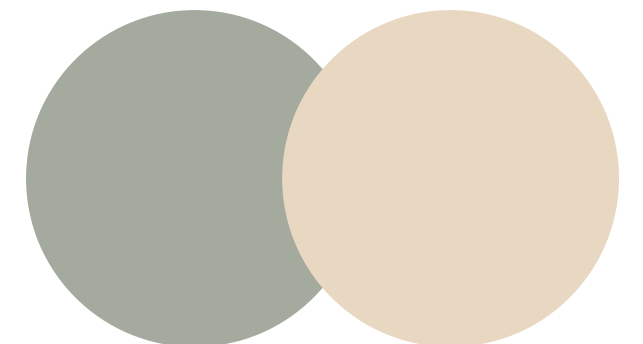
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What thoughts/feelings come up for you as you reflect on this direction for our one-another relationships?

What kind of intentional discipleship partners or group do you currently have, or hope to have in place going forward? (If not yet, what will you do to ensure you do have this?)

What will it mean for you to be intentional, consistent, and committed?

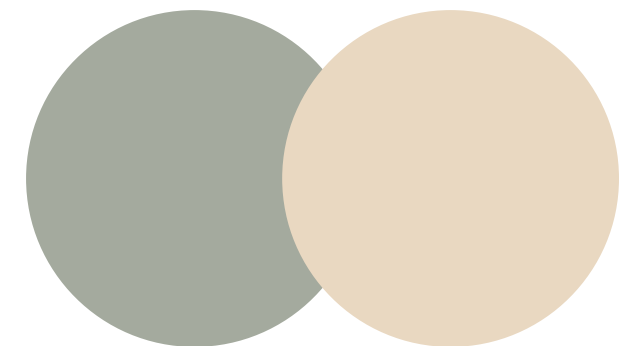




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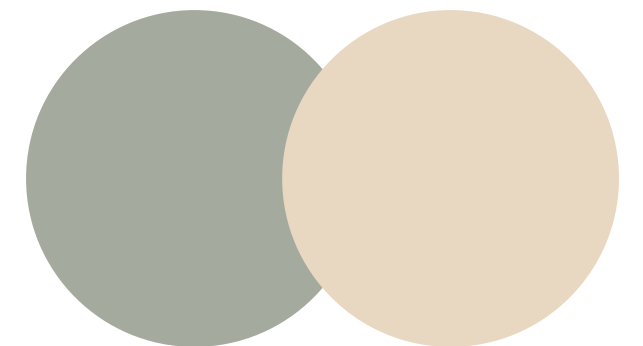
2 Corinthians 5:17-19

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting people's sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation.

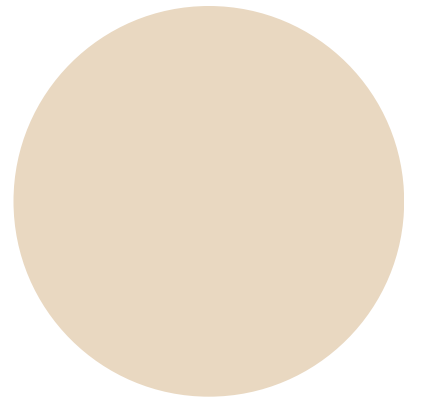
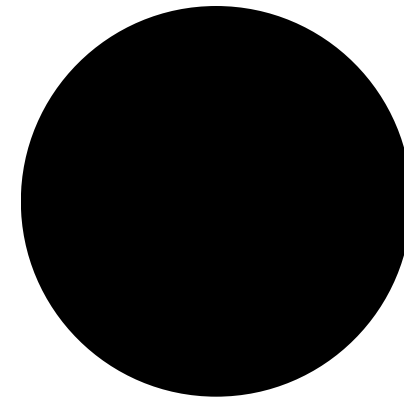


Romans 5:11

Not only is this so, but we also boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation."



RECONCILIATION IS NOT:



AVOIDANCE

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CONDEMNATION

RECONCILIATION IS:



FORGIVING/OVERLOOKING: Matthew 6:15, Proverbs 19:11

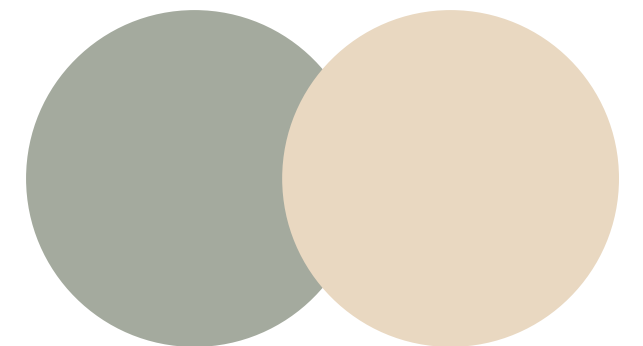
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HAVING A JUDGEMENT: 1 Cor. 2:14-17

FORGIVING, BEING GRACIOUS, BEARING WITH...Philippians 2:2-11

Matthew 18:15-17

“If your brother or sister sins, go and point out their fault, just between the two of you. If they listen to you, you have won them over. But if they will not listen, take one or two others along, so that ‘every matter may be established by the testimony of two or three witnesses.’ If they still refuse to listen, tell it to the church; and if they refuse to listen even to the church, treat them as you would a pagan or a tax collector.

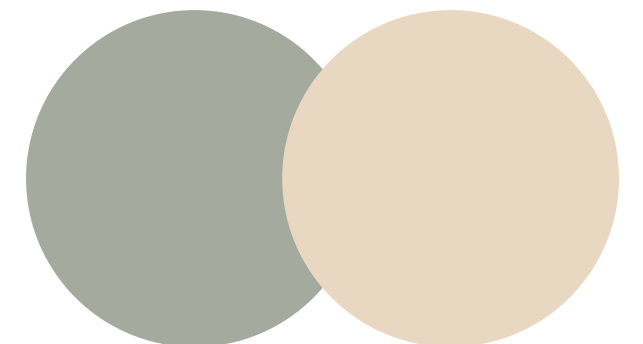


Gentle Startup:

“I feel..about what...I need (positive request)”

Educating on how you're experiencing it (not who they are and their motives...)

Take at least 10% of the responsibility



DISCUSSION:

What is most challenging, for you personally, about reconciling with others?

What encouragement or challenge do you have from the scriptures tonight?