

 **Conference**  
**2026**

***REACHING THE SECULAR WORLD***

Team Europe - AGWM

A topographic map of Europe is centered on a dark grey background. The map uses a color gradient to represent elevation: blue for the highest elevations (Alps, Pyrenees, etc.), transitioning through green and yellow to red and orange for lower elevations. White lines delineate national borders. The text 'Lessons from EUROPE' is overlaid in white, bold, sans-serif font. 'Lessons from' is in a smaller font size and italicized, while 'EUROPE' is in a larger font size and all-caps.

*Lessons from*  
**EUROPE**



**HOW DO WE BRING  
MEANINGFUL GOSPEL  
ACCESS TO SECULAR  
BACKGROUND PEOPLE?**

# ***DEFINING SECULARISM***

*“society (or worldview) in which  
God(s) is no longer at the center.”*

# *Shift of “starting place”*

**GOD(s)**

Family

Work

Food



**SELF**

God(s)

Family

Food

Work

# ***DEFINING SECULARISM***

***GOD IS AN OPTION,  
BUT NOT AN OBLIGATION.***



**PROJECT  
SELF**

# ***4 Types of Secular People***

**Atheist**

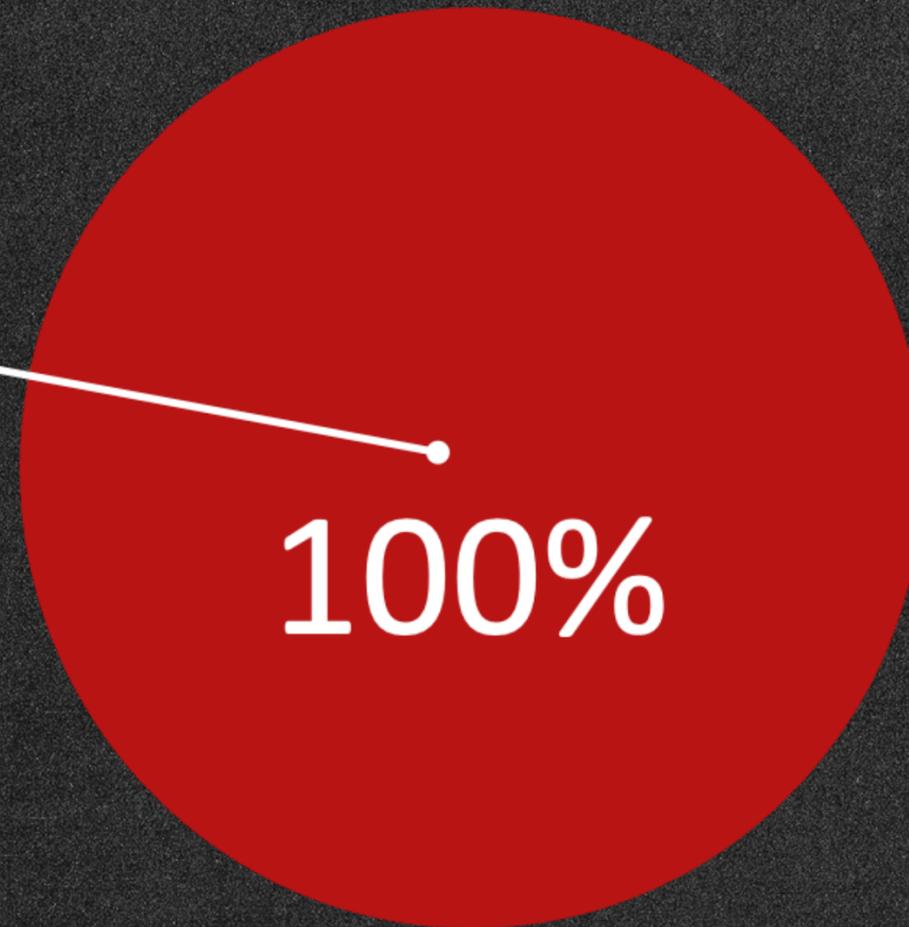
**Pragmatist**

**Traditionalist**

**Spiritualist**

# ***THOSE OUTSIDE OF CHRISTENDOM***

**% OF  
UNCHURCHED  
PEOPLE WHO DO  
NOT ATTEND  
CHURCH.**



**Are we with  
lost people?**

Sortie





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***THRESHOLDS***

# ***5 Thresholds***

*I Once Was Lost : What  
Postmodern Skeptics Taught  
Us About Their Path to Jesus*

Everts & Schaupp



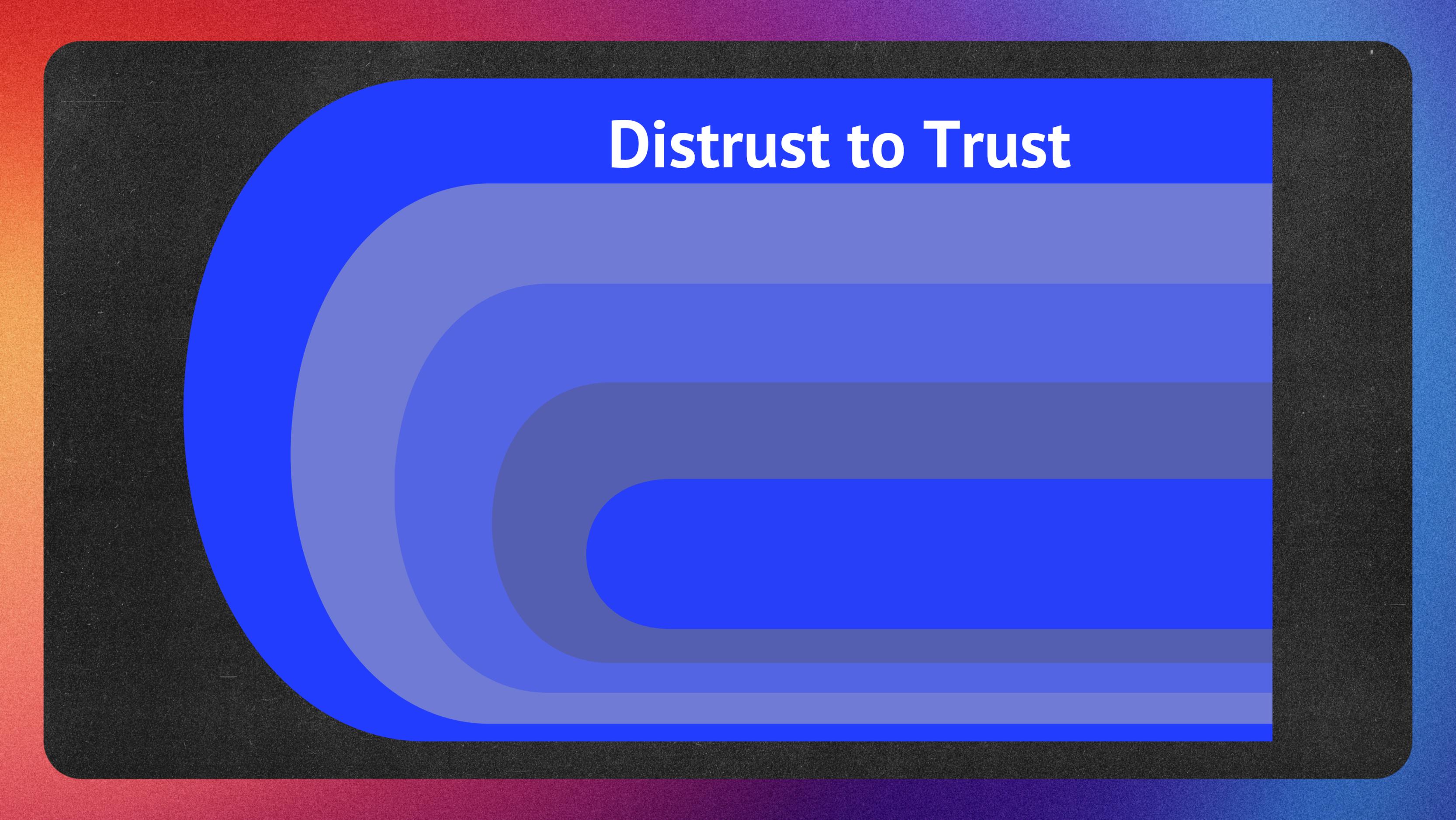
# ***MISSIONAL HABITS***

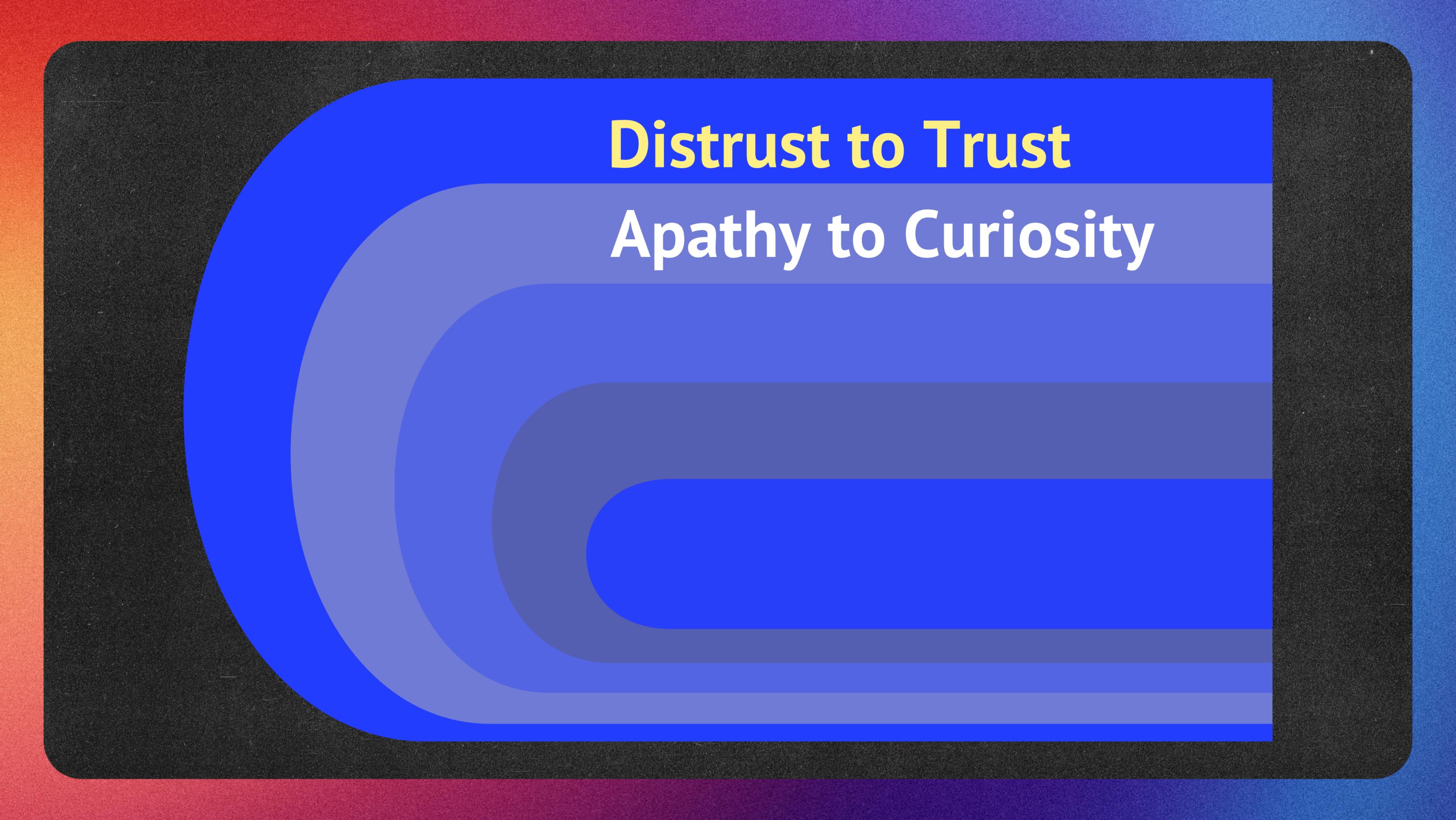
*Surprise the World:  
The Five Habits of Highly  
Missional People*

Michael Frost



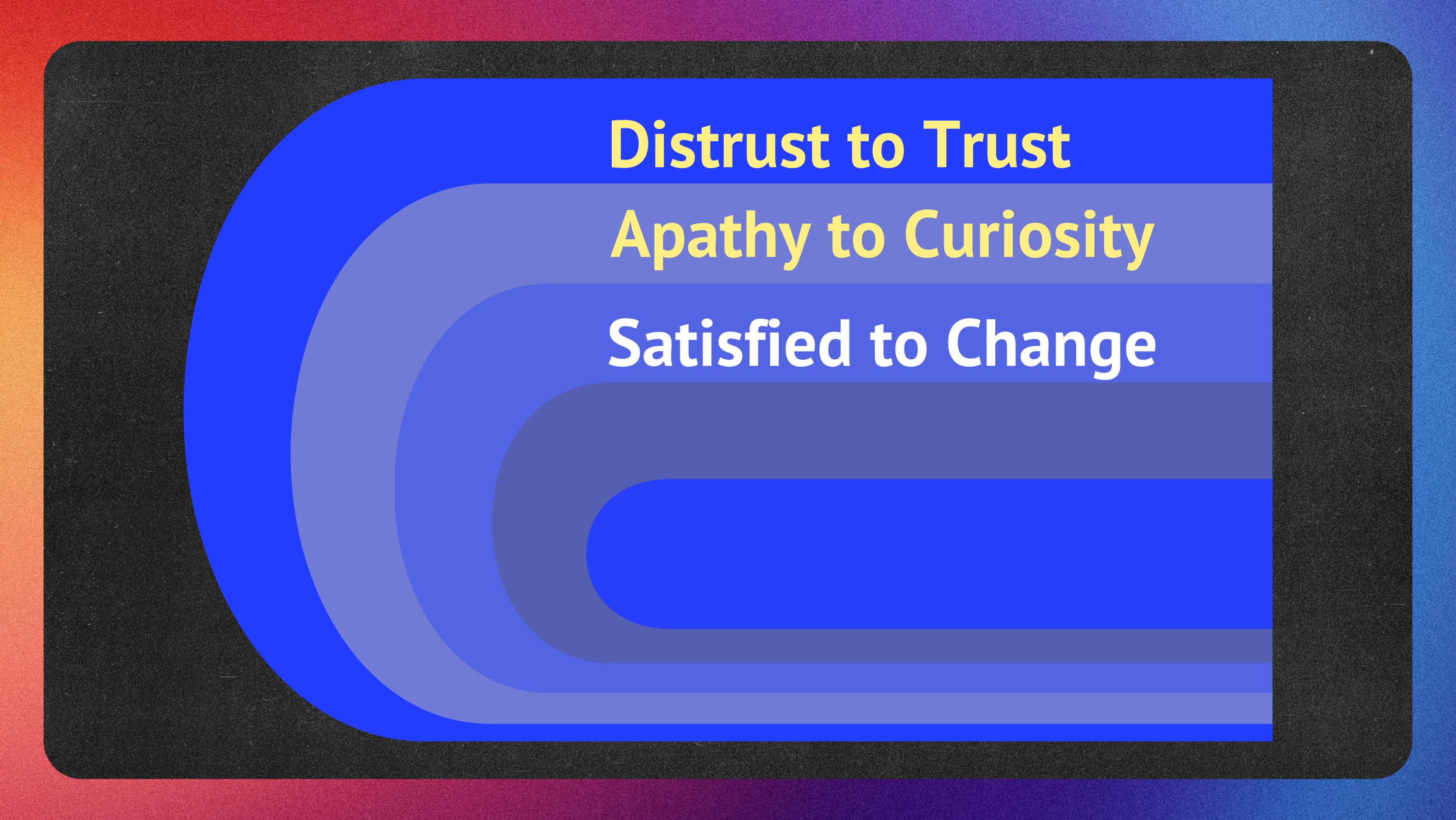
# Distrust to Trust





**Distrust to Trust**

**Apathy to Curiosity**



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**Meandering to Seeking**

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**ALLEGIANCE**

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LIVE | DEAD  
SECULAR WORLD

# **MISSIONAL HABITS**

- ① **B**LESS ..... Generous
- ② **E**AT ..... Hospitable
- ③ **L**ISTEN ..... Spirit-Led
- ④ **L**EARN ..... Jesus-centered
- ⑤ **S**END ..... Missional

*“The primary reality of which we have to take account in seeking for a Christian impact on public life is the Christian congregation. How is it possible that the gospel should be credible that people should come to believe that the power which has the last word in human affairs is represented by a man hanging on a cross? ... The only answer, the only hermeneutic of the gospel, is a congregation of men and women who believe it and live by it.”*

• *Newbigin, Lesslie. The Gospel in a Pluralist Society*

**DISCIPLE MAKING COMMUNITIES**

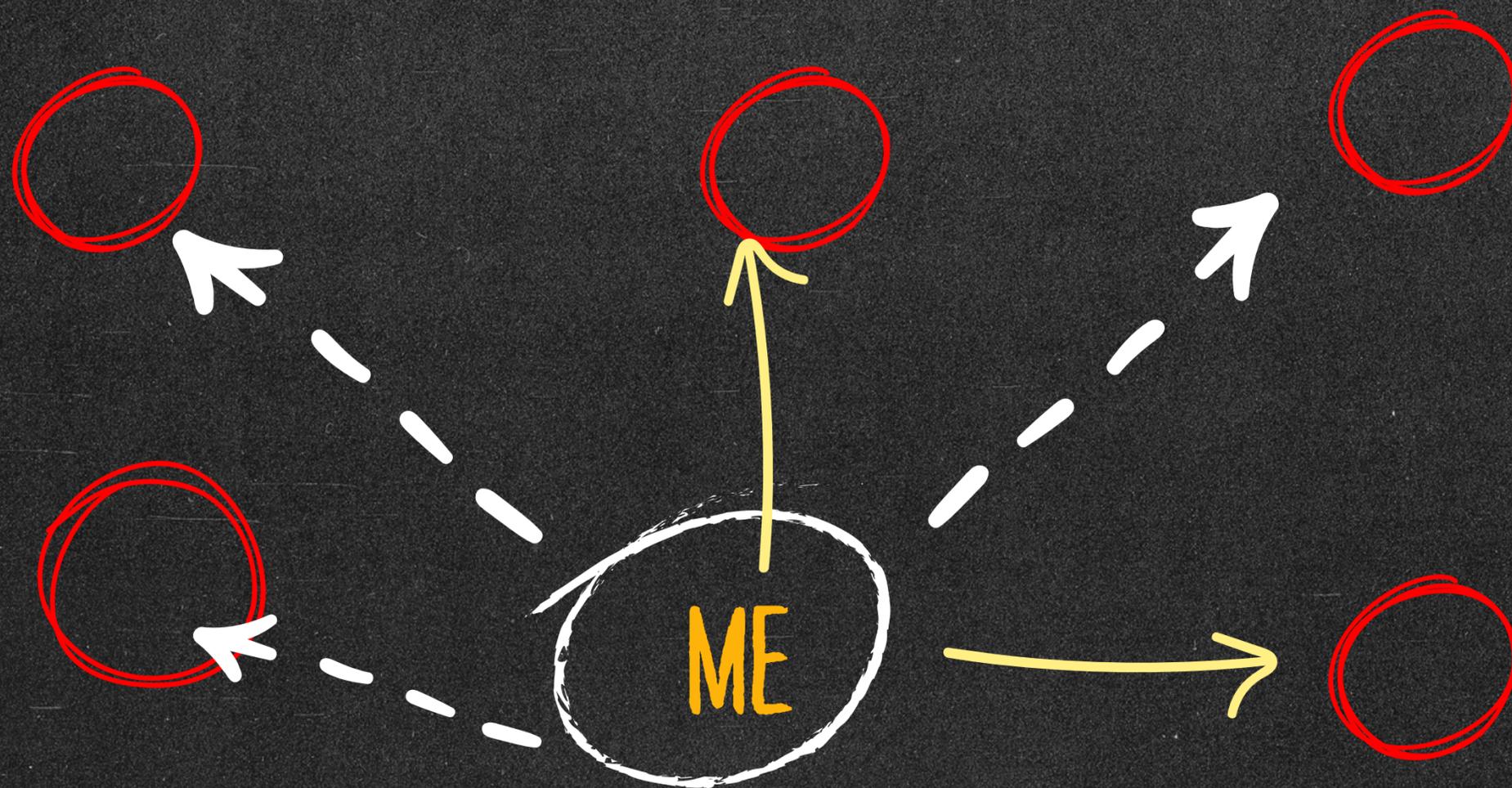
# **3 CRUCIAL ISSUES**

**SOCIAL NETWORKS**

**MISSIONAL HABITS**

**GOSPEL FLUENCY**

# **SOCIAL NETWORKS**



*Who am I near?*

# **GOSPEL FLUENCY**

*“The story at the heart of Christianity is every [epic] story. There’s a golden age of innocence; mistrust; betrayal; unrequited love; a fall from grace; murder and intrigue; a pit of despair; a Hero’s epic journey; a fight to the death; victory through sacrifice; and a happy ending complete with wedding and singing.... The Bible says it was God’s story first. And this story makes sense of our little stories.”*

-Glen Scrivener in “The Story of God, The World and You”

# ***GOSPEL FLUENCY***

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