



SAINT BRIGID
— PARISH —

Saint Brigid School of Prayer

The First Step to a Fuller Life:

The Choice to Be a Christian



My name is Chris,
and I am ...

An aerial photograph of a dense, misty forest. The trees are mostly evergreens, with some deciduous trees showing autumnal colors on the right side. A thick layer of white mist or fog hangs over the forest floor, creating a soft, ethereal atmosphere. The word "Addicted." is written in a large, bold, black, cursive script across the center of the image.

Addicted.

My Point of View



My Point of View My Opinion



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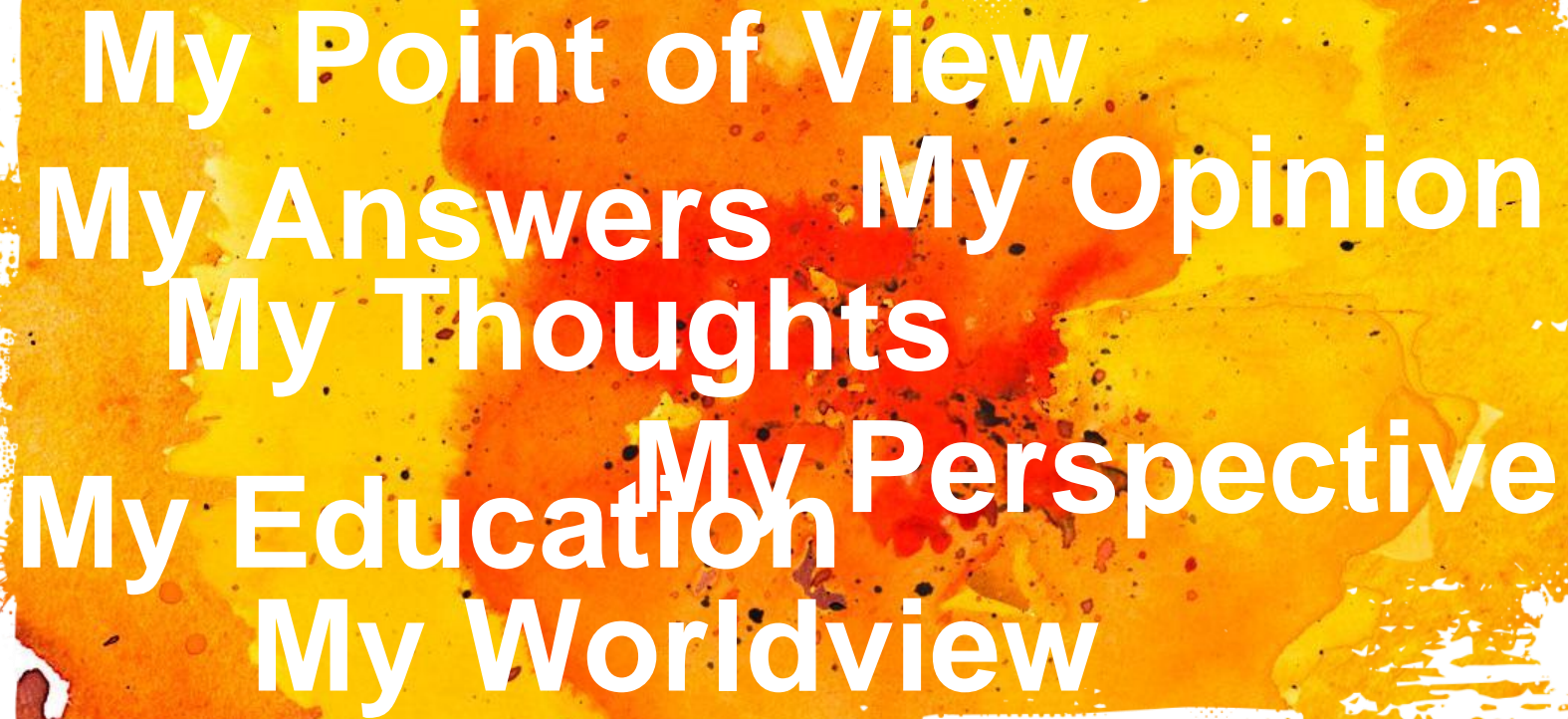
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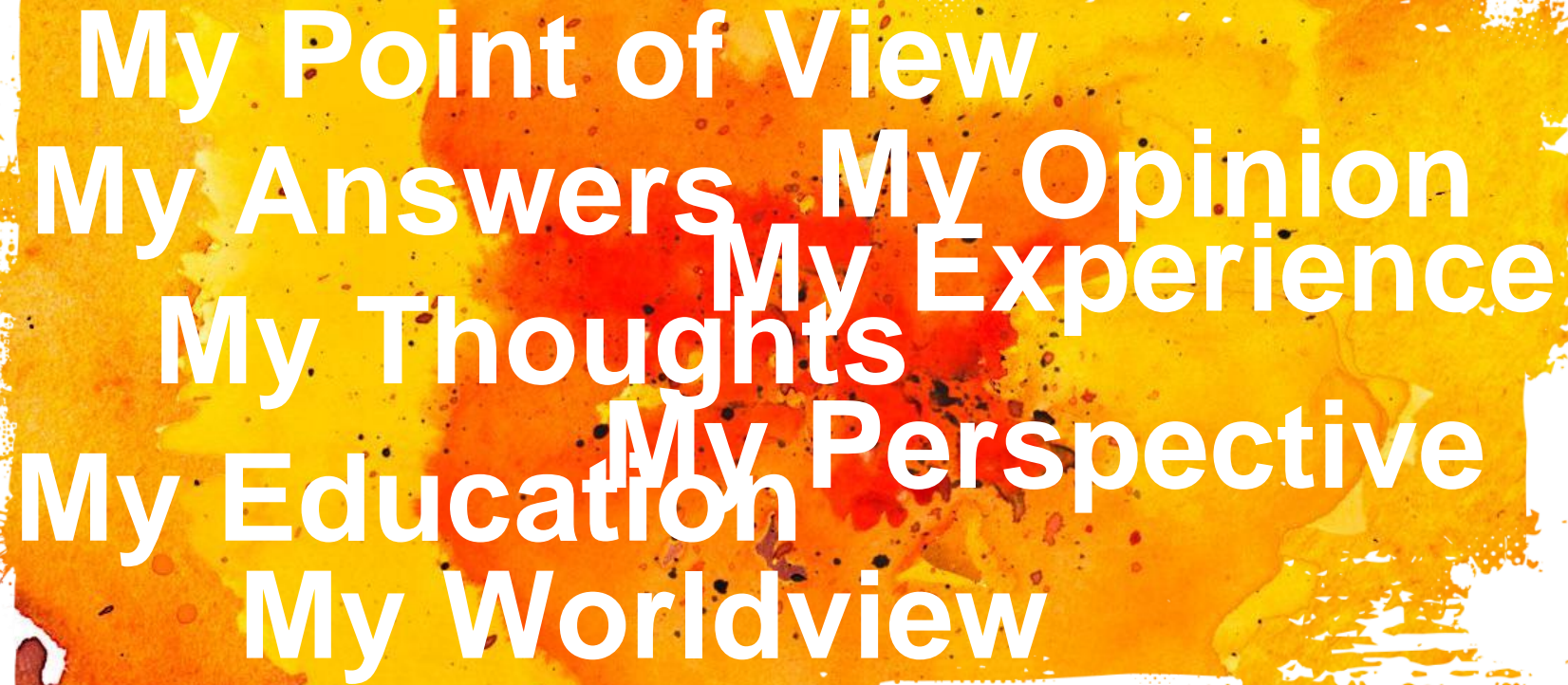
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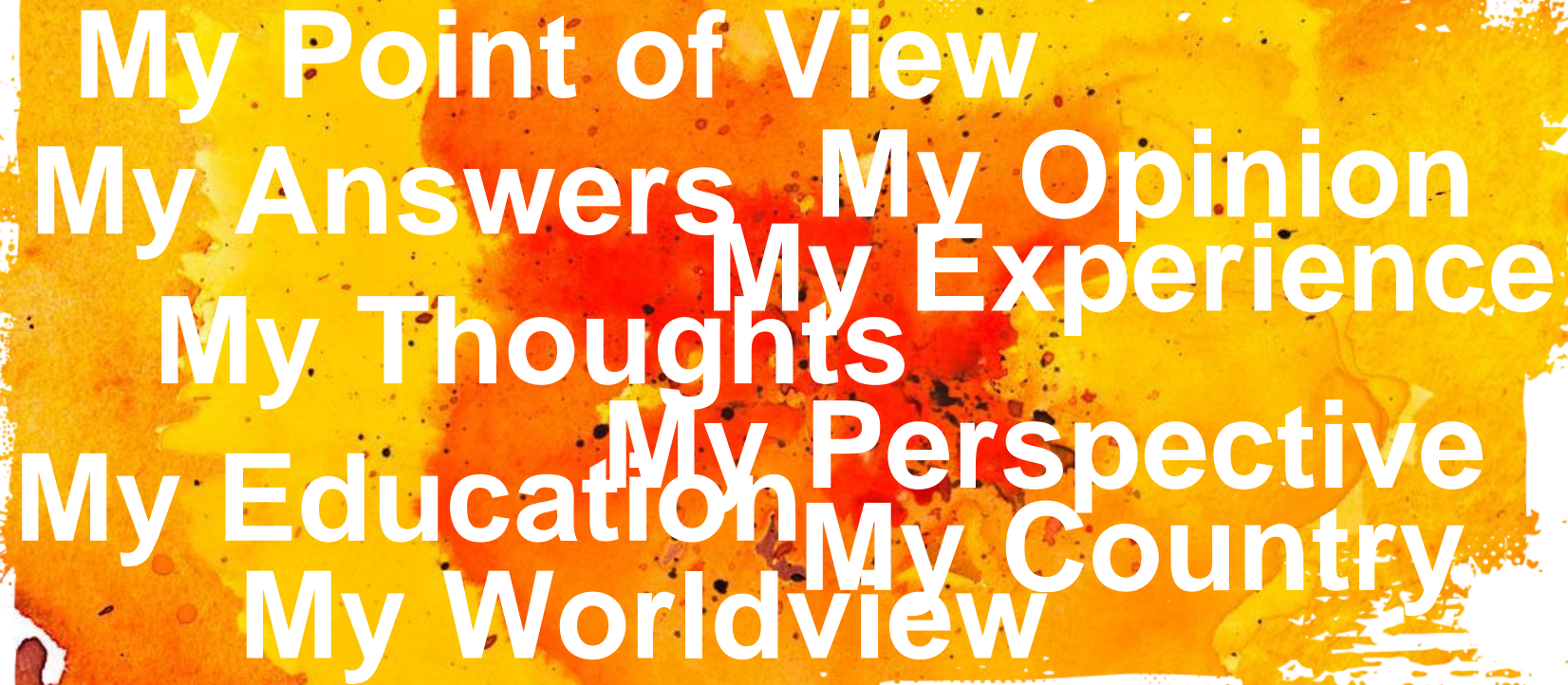
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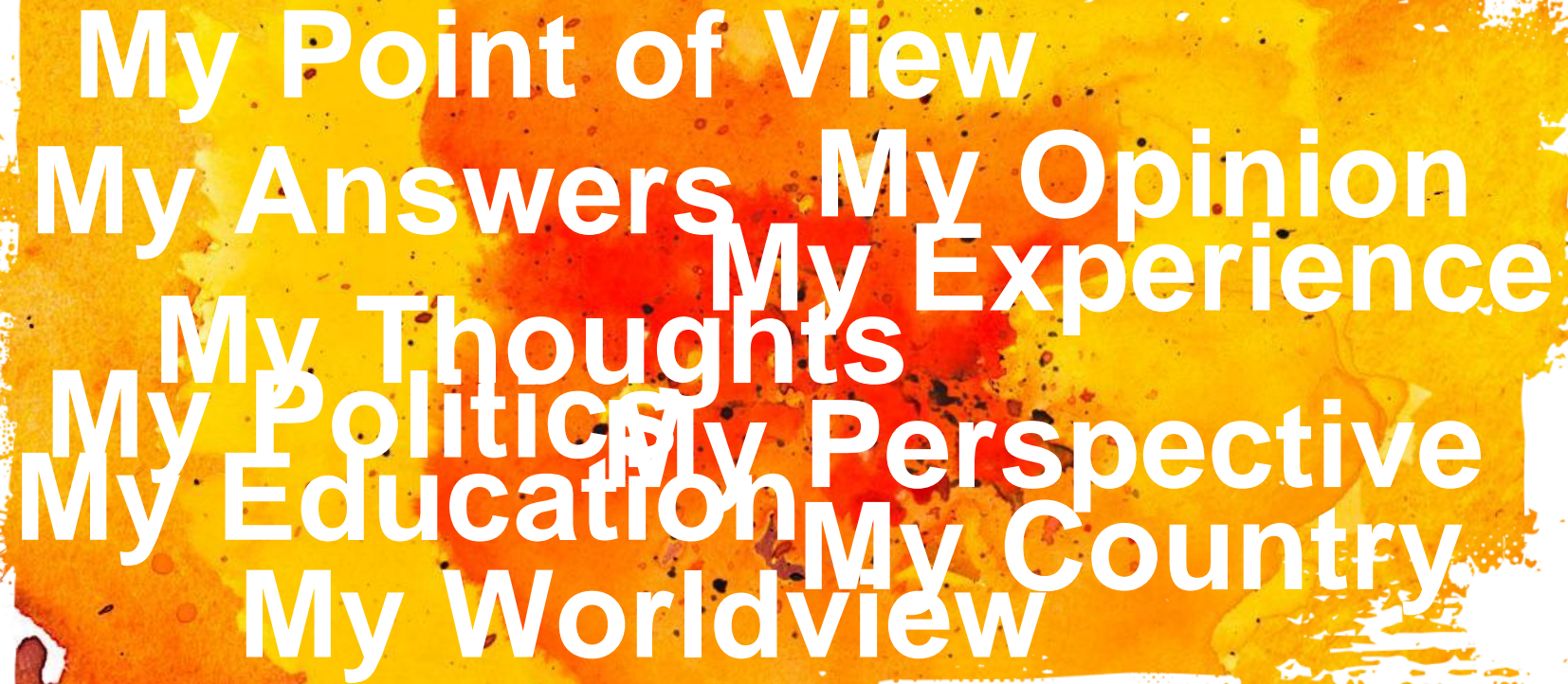
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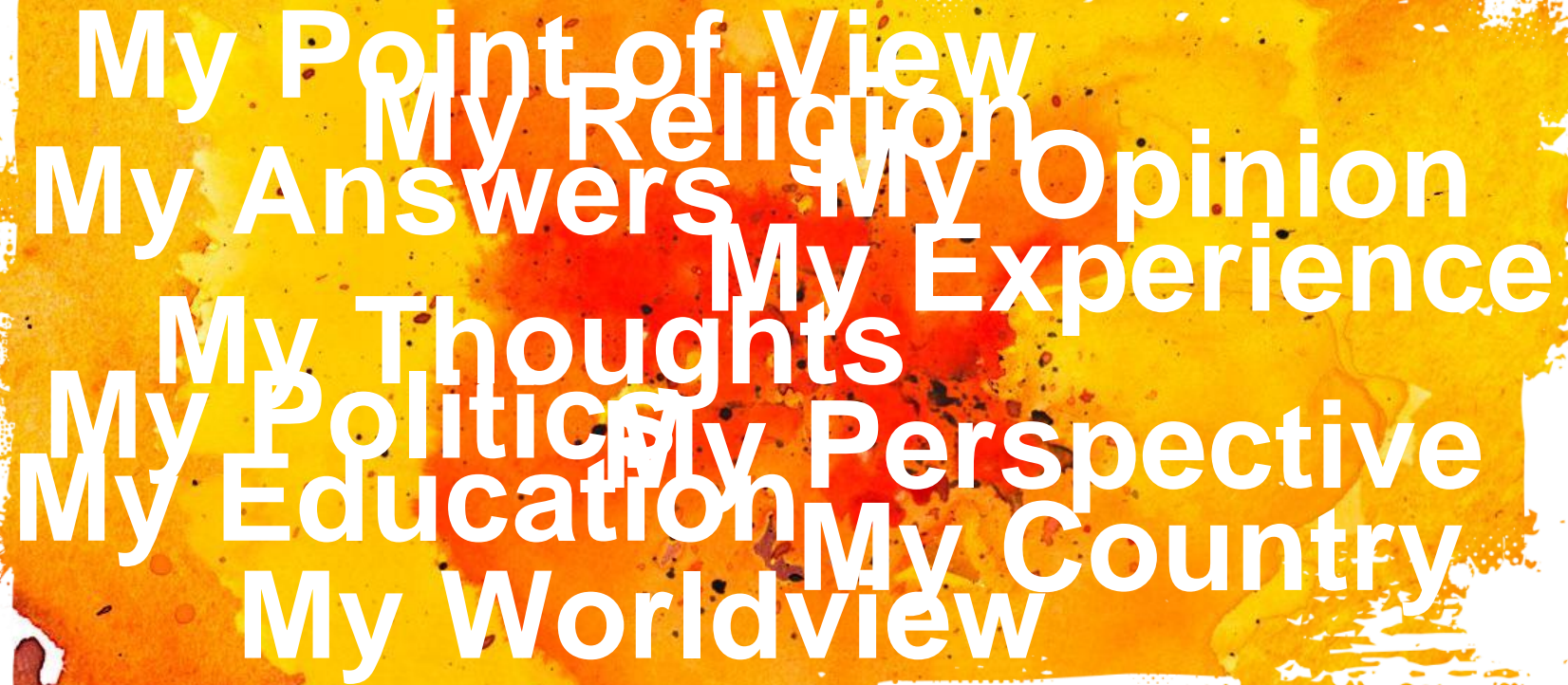
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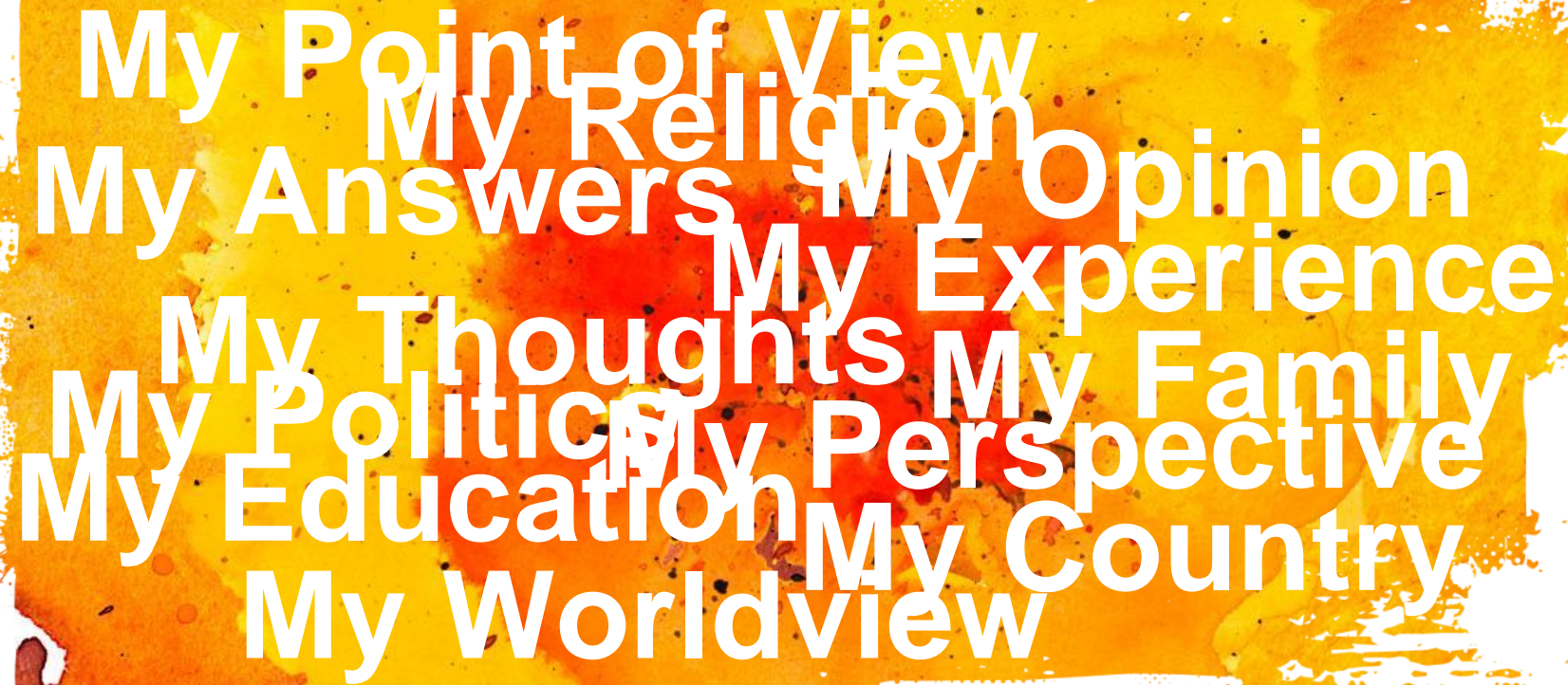
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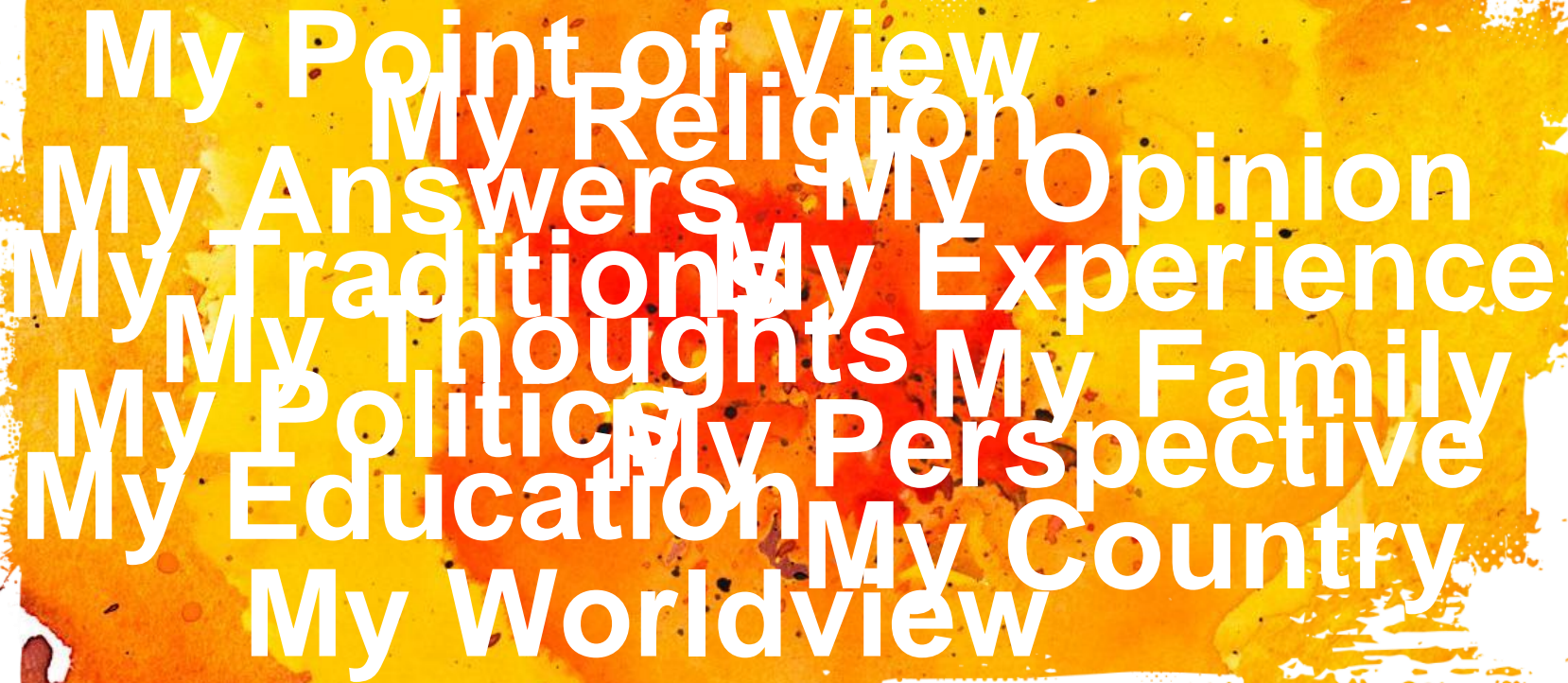
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My name is Chris,
and I am ...

... addicted to ME.

Who am I? And who
is my “creator”?



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Who am I
in Christ,
with Christ,
through
Christ?

JESUS ANSWERED

I AM
THE WAY &
THE TRUTH &
THE LIFE.

NO ONE COMES TO
THE FATHER
EXCEPT THROUGH
ME. JOHN 14:6

The Choice to be Christian

First Step: Make a conscious act of faith that Jesus Christ is living within us, and to invite him to take part in every thought, action and decision of our life.

Second Step: Try consciously to make Jesus Christ an active participant in everything we do. We need to interact consciously with him in every activity of our day.

A personal relationship with Jesus Christ

Take a piece of paper ...

On the left, list things you started doing because of other people's suggestion, example or influence.


On the right, list things you do in conscious response to Jesus.

Where do you find the most satisfaction? The least?






"We have to die to all hope for a full and meaningful life based on confidence in ourselves." p.18



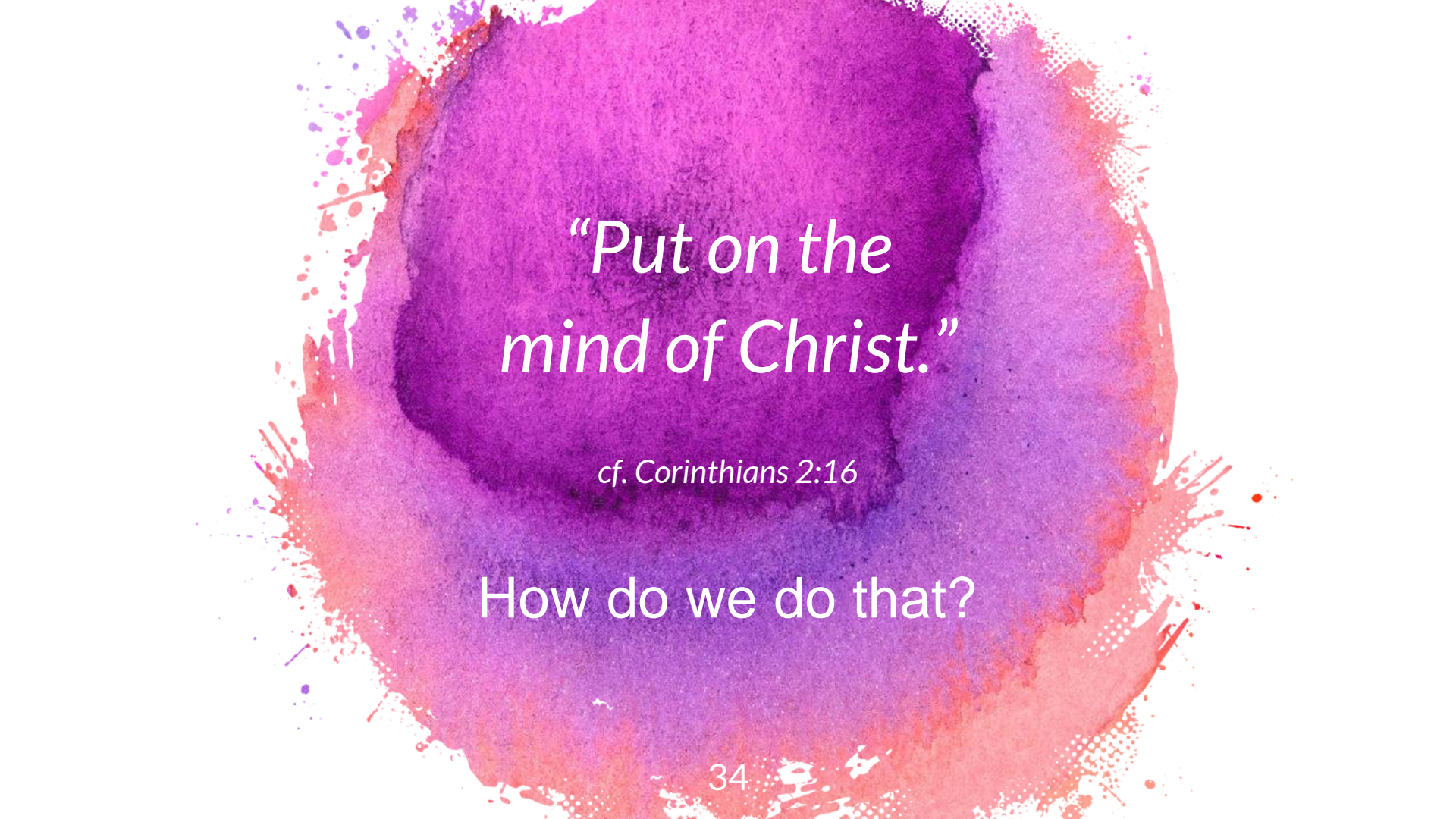
“Do not conform yourselves to this age but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and pleasing and perfect.”

Romans 12:2



*“Put on the
mind of Christ.”*

cf. Corinthians 2:16



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How do we do that?

“Either make Jesus an effective, operative
part of everything you do, or see your life
“miss the mark” (the root meaning of sin).”
p.12

*“It is not a question of more or less;
it is a question of either-or.”*

How do we that?

Habits of Awareness: Conscious Interaction:

IMAGES

SYMBOLS

REMINDERS

ALARMS

PRAYER

W.I.T.

Choose something practical, concrete; and begin today.

Next Session

July 3, 6:30-8:30

“The Choice to Be a Disciple”





Thanks!

Go in peace.

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