
Whose Wisdom?

Messy Church Series

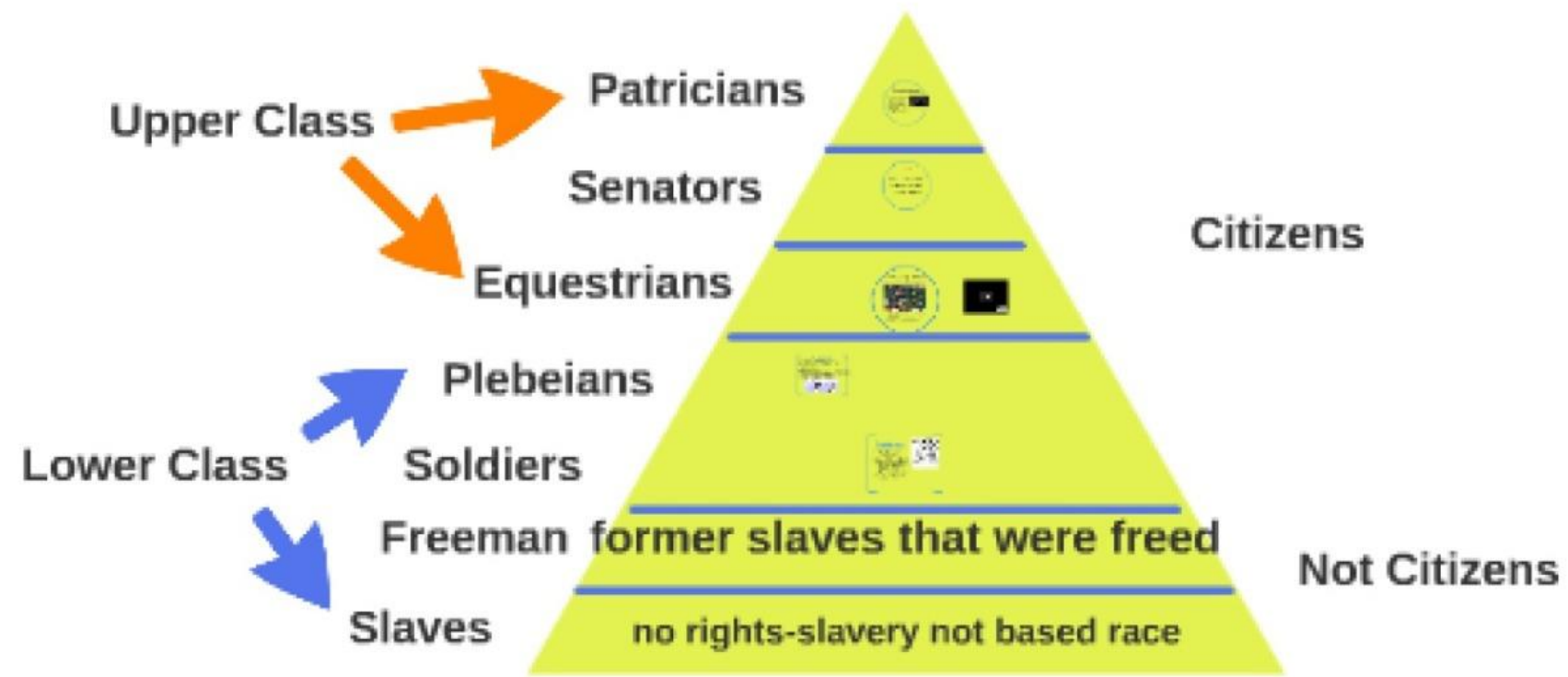
1 Corinthians 2:6-16

THE PERCEPTION OF INCONGRUITY



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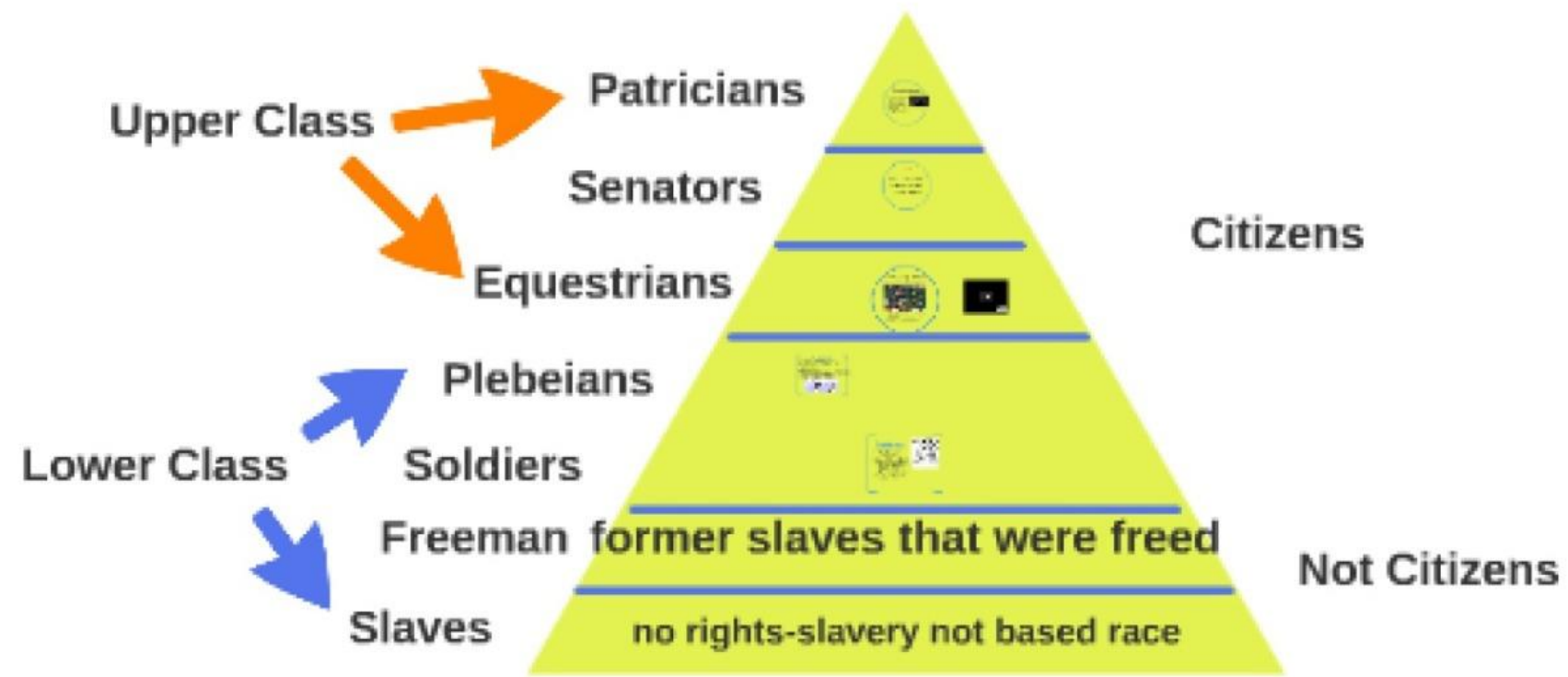


IRONIC INTERPRETATION



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Almost every form of spiritual elitism, “Deeper Life” movement, and “second blessing” doctrine has appealed to this text. To receive the Spirit according to their special expression paves the way for people to know “deeper truths” about God.

- Gordon Fee

THE WISDOM GIVEN BY THE SPIRIT

The Spirit that teaches understanding to the Christians is not some kind of spirit of field, forest, and meadow, nor is it a natural magic potency that produces enthusiasm;

rather, it is the Spirit of the crucified Christ. Thus, this Spirit is to be measured by the cross, and it is therefore unavoidably a critic of all self-directed wisdom and likewise of all elite wisdom.

- Richard Hays

THIS IS POLITICAL

...the Christian message from the very beginning challenged the world of power, including social and political power, with the message of God's superior kingdom unveiled in Jesus' death and Resurrection.

- N.T. Wright



A CHANGED LIFE

Do not conform to the pattern
of this world, but be transformed
by the renewing of your mind.
Then you will be able to test
and approve what God's
will is—his good, pleasing
and perfect will.

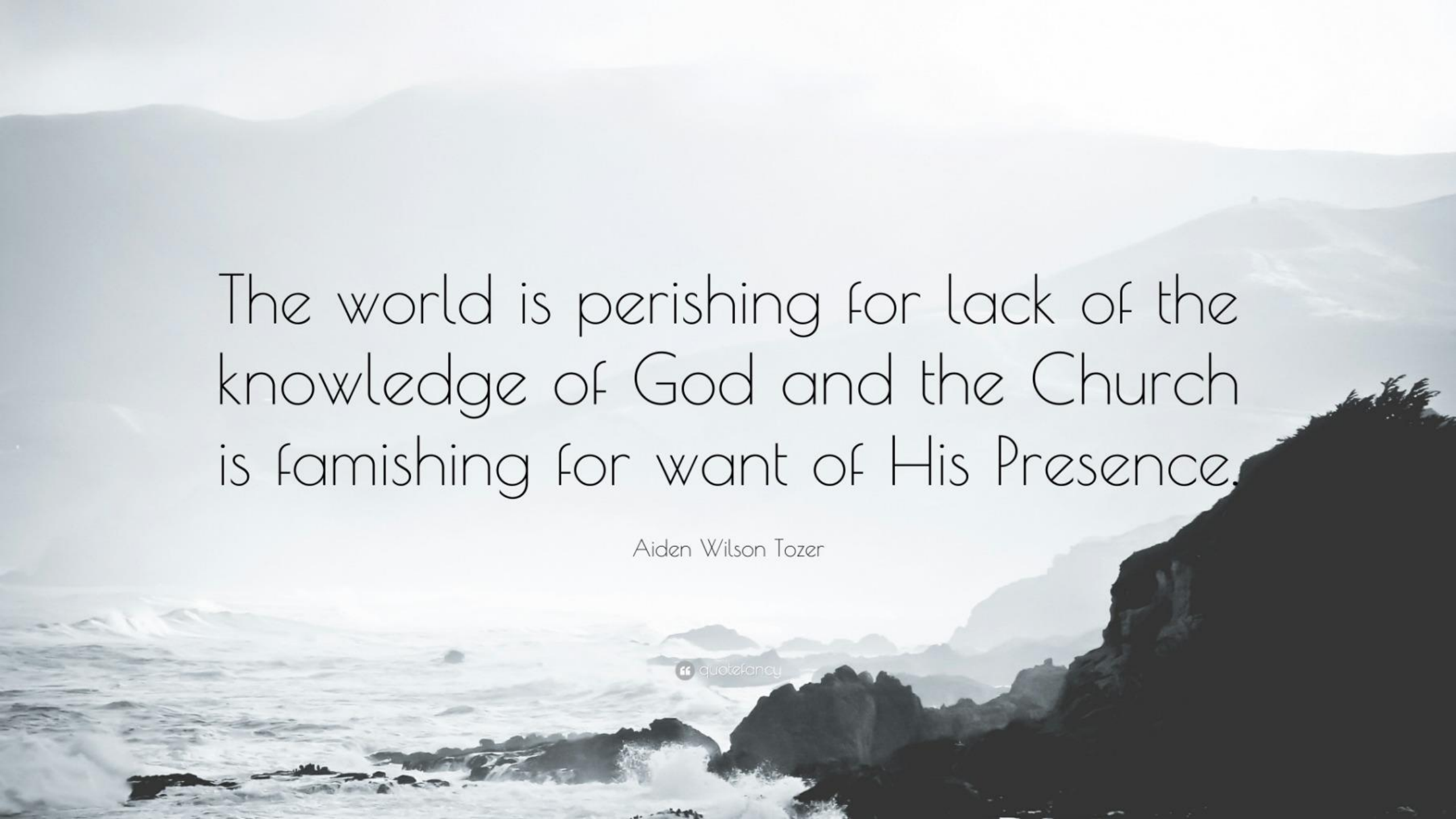
Romans 12:2



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THE ETERNAL WISDOM



The world is perishing for lack of the
knowledge of God and the Church
is famishing for want of His Presence.

Aiden Wilson Tozer

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