

THE MOTIVE TO

FOLLOW



DECISIONS EVERY CHRISTIAN MAKES





RICH YOUNG BRO WENT UP TO JESUS SAYING
TEACHER, WHAT MUST I DO TO BECOME
DIVINELY BASED

JESUS SAID LET THE DIVINE DAD LORE LIVE RENT
FREE IN YOUR LIFE WHEN HE ASKED WHICH MOD
RULES TO FOLLOW SACRED BLUD SAID

- ✗ UNALIVE
- ✗ HAVE SIDE CHICKS
- ✗ SECURE OTHER'S BAGS
- ✗ CAP

- ✓ GIVE DUBS TO YOUR FATHER AND MOTHER
- ✓ BE A REAL ONE TO ALL

Mark 10:17-22 (Gen Z Bible)



BLUD SAID I ALREADY CRUSH IT W THESE
HOW AM I CAUGHT LACKIN?

JESUS SAID IF YOU WANT TO BECOME EVEN
MORE VALID
START GIVING BROKE BOY AND LET THE POOR
LIVE THEIR BEST LIFE

HIM: **CRIES IN RICH KID**
NGL YOU PLAYIN TOO MUCH

SO HE TOOK THE L AND LEFT
FOR HE WOULD RATHER GATEKEEP ALL HIS
BREAD

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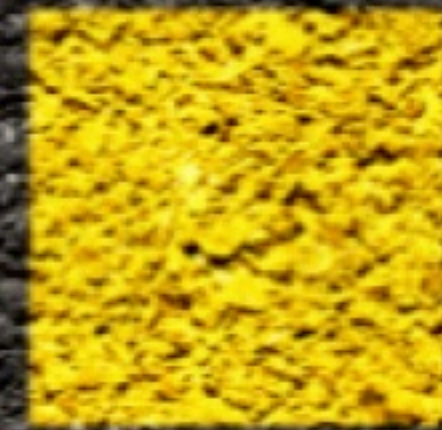


HOLY BRO SAID SEE HOW HARD IT IS TO PASS
THE VIBE CHECK WHEN YOU TRYNA LIVE YOUR
OWN BEST LIFE

THE DISCIPLES WERE SHOOKETH AND SAID
BRUH, THEN WHO CAN PASS GOD'S VIBE CHECK?

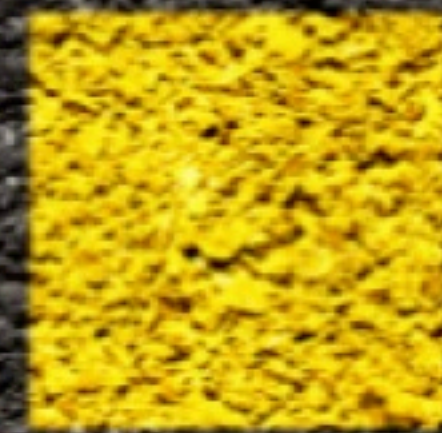
HOLY BRO SAID, OF YOURSELVES YOU CAN ONLY
TAKE L'S BUT THE CEO OF W'S WILL HELP YOU
TAKE **EVERY DUB**

**Motive // The
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What is your
motive for
following Jesus?



People may be pure in their
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but the LORD examines
their motives.

Proverbs 16:2

So don't make judgments about anyone ahead of time—before the Lord returns. For he will bring our darkest secrets to light and will reveal our **private motives**. Then God will give to each one whatever praise is due.

1 Corinthians 4:5



CROWD



RELIGIOUS
LEADERS



DISCIPLES

Crowds – Follow motive: Self-interest



Jesus replied, "I tell you the truth, you want to be with me **because I fed you**, not because you understood the miraculous signs. But don't be so concerned about perishable things like food. Spend your energy seeking the **eternal life** that the Son of Man can give you. For God the Father has given me the seal of his approval."

John 6:26–31 (NLT)

Crowds – Follow motive: Self-interest



They replied, "We want to perform God's works, too. What should we do?"

Jesus told them, "This is the only work God wants from you: Believe in the one he has sent."

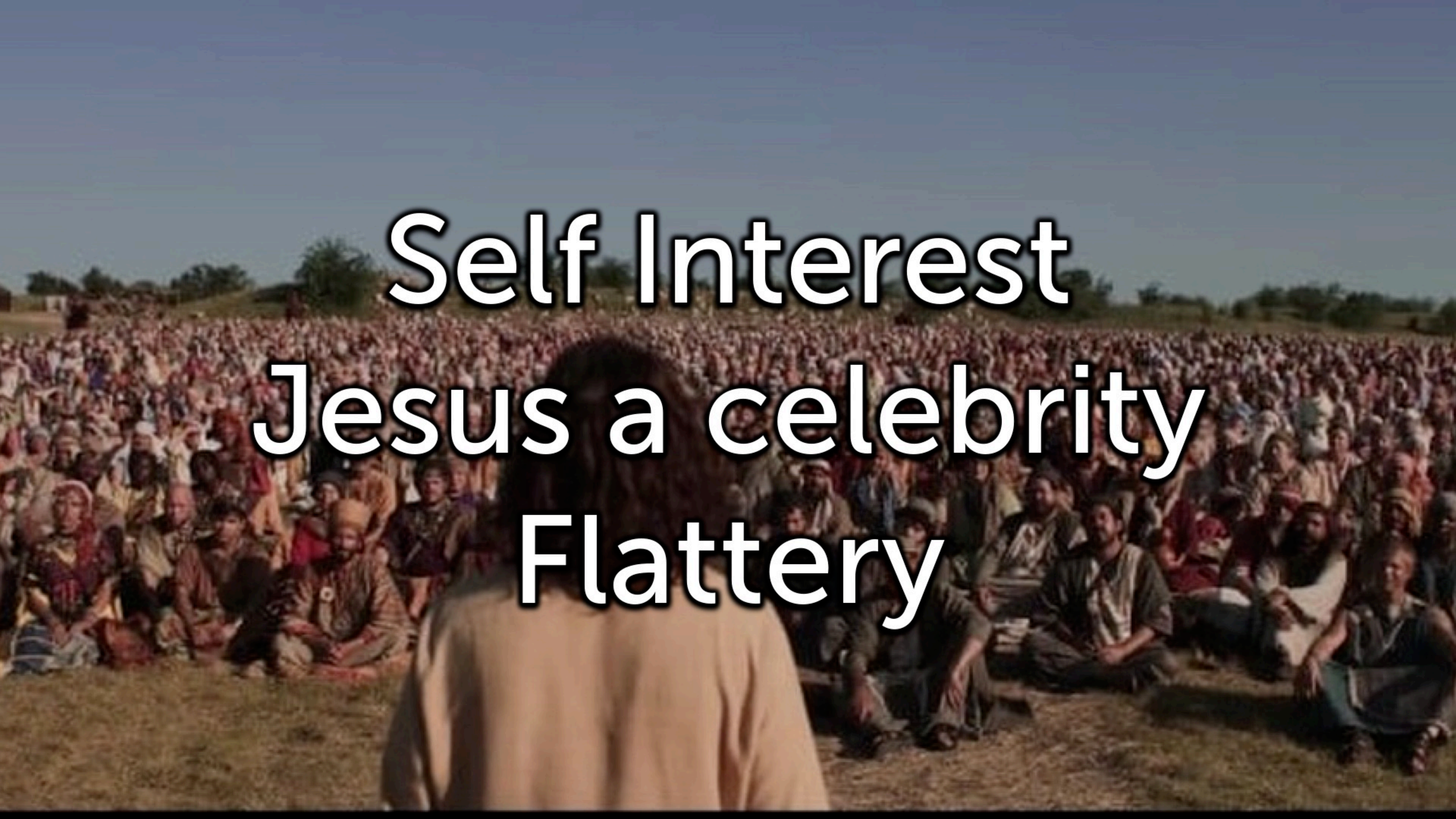
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They answered, “**Show us a miraculous sign** if you want us to believe in you. What can you do? After all, our ancestors ate manna while they journeyed through the wilderness! The Scriptures say, ‘Moses gave them bread from heaven to eat.’”

John 6:26–31 (NLT)

A large crowd of people, mostly men and women in traditional Middle Eastern attire, are gathered in a field. They are sitting on the ground, looking towards the camera. In the foreground, the back of a person's head and shoulders are visible, looking out over the crowd. The background shows a clear blue sky and some distant trees.

Self Interest
Jesus a celebrity
Flattery

Religious leaders – Follow motive: Self-preservation



Then Jesus said to the crowds and to his disciples, "The teachers of religious law and the Pharisees are the official interpreters of the law of Moses. So practice and obey whatever they tell you, but don't follow their example. **For they don't practice what they teach.** They crush people with unbearable religious demands and never lift a finger to ease the burden.

Matthew 23:1-4 (NLT)

Religious leaders – Follow motive: Self-preservation



“What sorrow awaits you teachers of religious law and you Pharisees. **Hypocrites!** For you are so careful to clean the outside of the cup and the dish, but inside you are filthy—full of greed and self-indulgence! You blind Pharisee! First wash the inside of the cup and the dish, and then the outside will become clean, too.

Matthew 23:25-26(NLT)



Self-preservation Jesus a threat Judgment

Disciples – Follow motive: Faith



The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep recognize his voice and come to him. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. After he has gathered his own flock, he walks ahead of them, and **they follow him because they know his voice.** They won't follow a stranger; they will run from him because they don't know his voice."

John 10:3–5 (NLT)

Disciples – Follow motive: Faith



All who came before me were thieves and robbers. But the true sheep did not listen to them. Yes, I am the gate. Those who come in through me will be saved.

John 10:8-9 (NLT)

Disciples – Follow motive: Faith



“I am the good shepherd; I know my own sheep, and they know me,

John 10:14 (NLT)

Disciples – Follow motive: Faith



I have other sheep, too, that are not in this sheepfold. I must bring them also. They will listen to my voice, and there will be one flock with one shepherd.

John 10:16 (NLT)

Disciples – Follow motive: Faith



But you don't believe me because you are not my sheep. **My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me.** I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one can snatch them away from me...

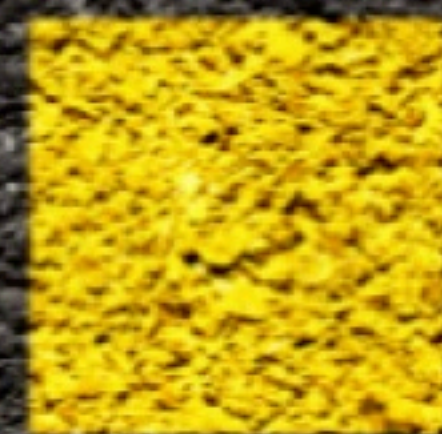
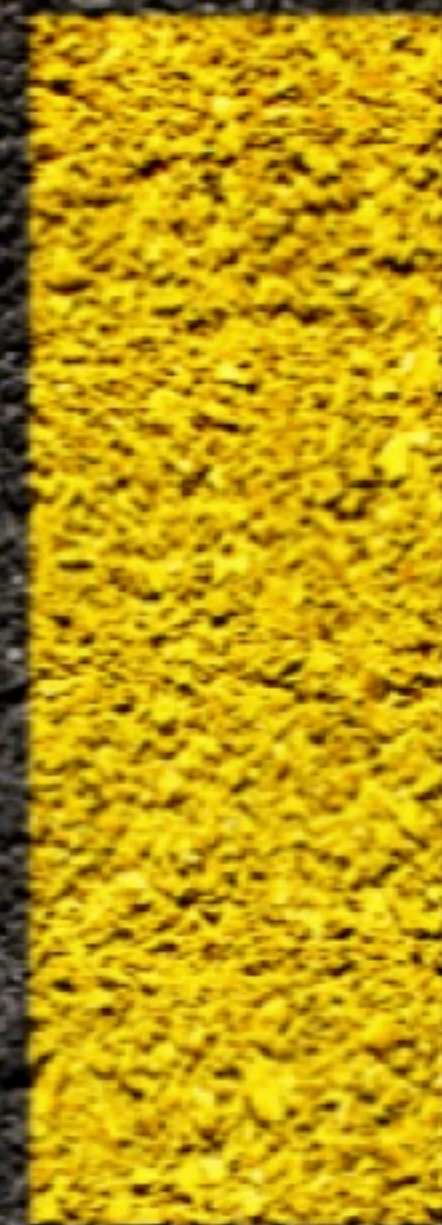
John 10:26-28 (NLT)

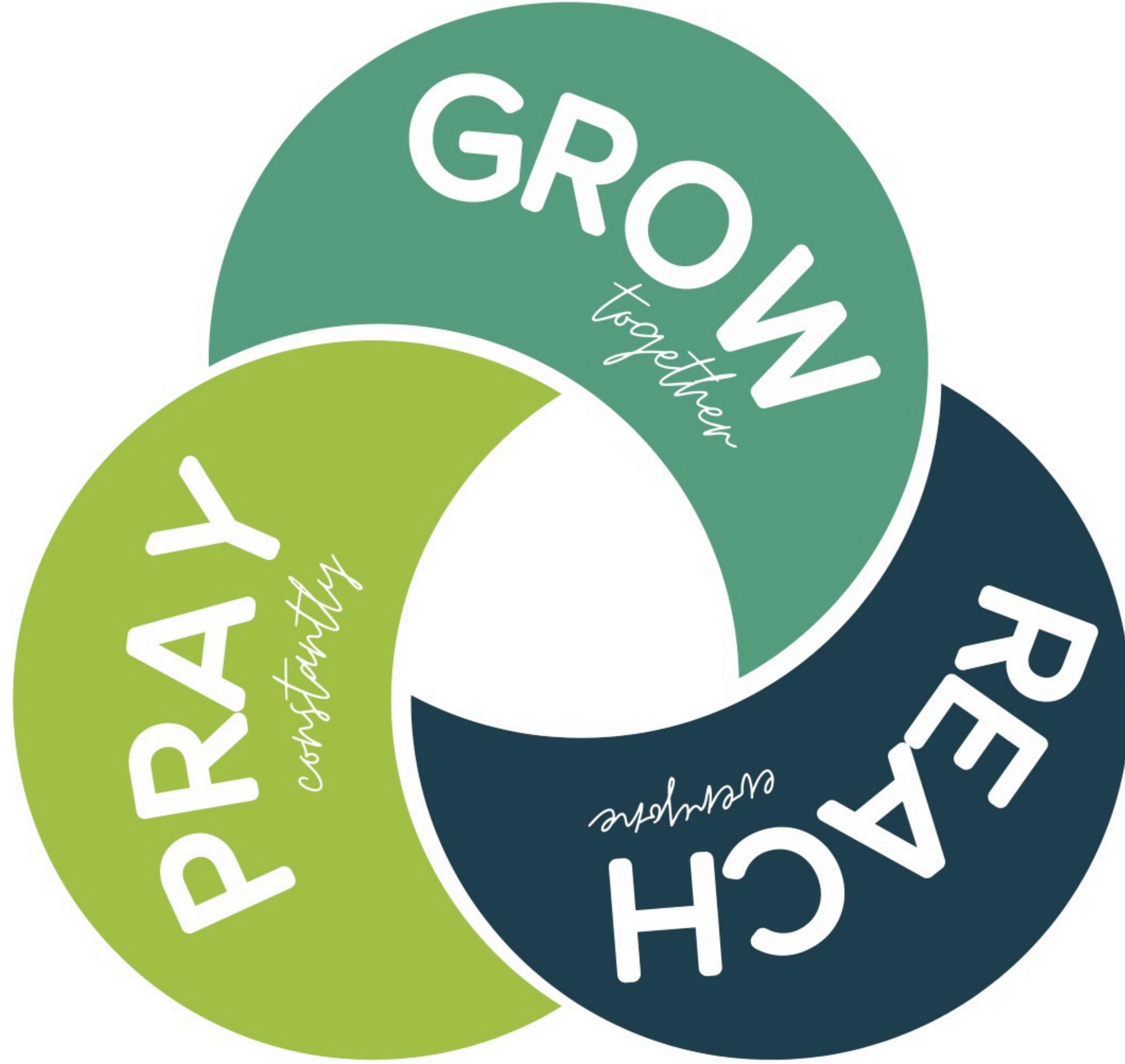
THREE GROUPS OF JESUS-FOLLOWERS

	CROWDS	RELIGIOUS LEADERS	DISCIPLES
Motivated by...	Self-interest	Self-preservation	Faith in Jesus
Jesus is...	a celebrity	a threat	God
Action is...	Flattery	Judgement	Obedience

*Change my heart Oh
God, make it ever true.*

*Change my heart Oh
God, may I be like You.*





Jesus' last command is our First priority

*Jesus came and told his disciples, "I have been given all authority in heaven and on earth. Therefore, **go and make disciples** of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. **Teach these new disciples to obey** all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age."*

Matthew 28:18-20 (NLT)

1. Read about the crowds who followed Jesus in John 6:26–31. Their motives was always to get something from Jesus. Where have you noticed this attitude in the Church?
2. Read about the Religious Leaders in Matthew 23:1–4, 23:25–26. Their motive was always to judge and criticize Jesus. Where have you drifted into this attitude about God, Church or other Christians?
3. How do you reflect, recognize and deal with your motives? How does the Discover church mission (Pray, Grow, Reach) help grow you into goldly motivation.
4. Read Proverbs 16:2 as a prayer and then share and/or pray honestly about motives that God is cleaning up in your own heart.

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