

Groupology

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Theological Truths Group Leaders
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“What we think about God”



“What comes into our minds when we think about God is the most important thing about us”

-A.W. Tozer-

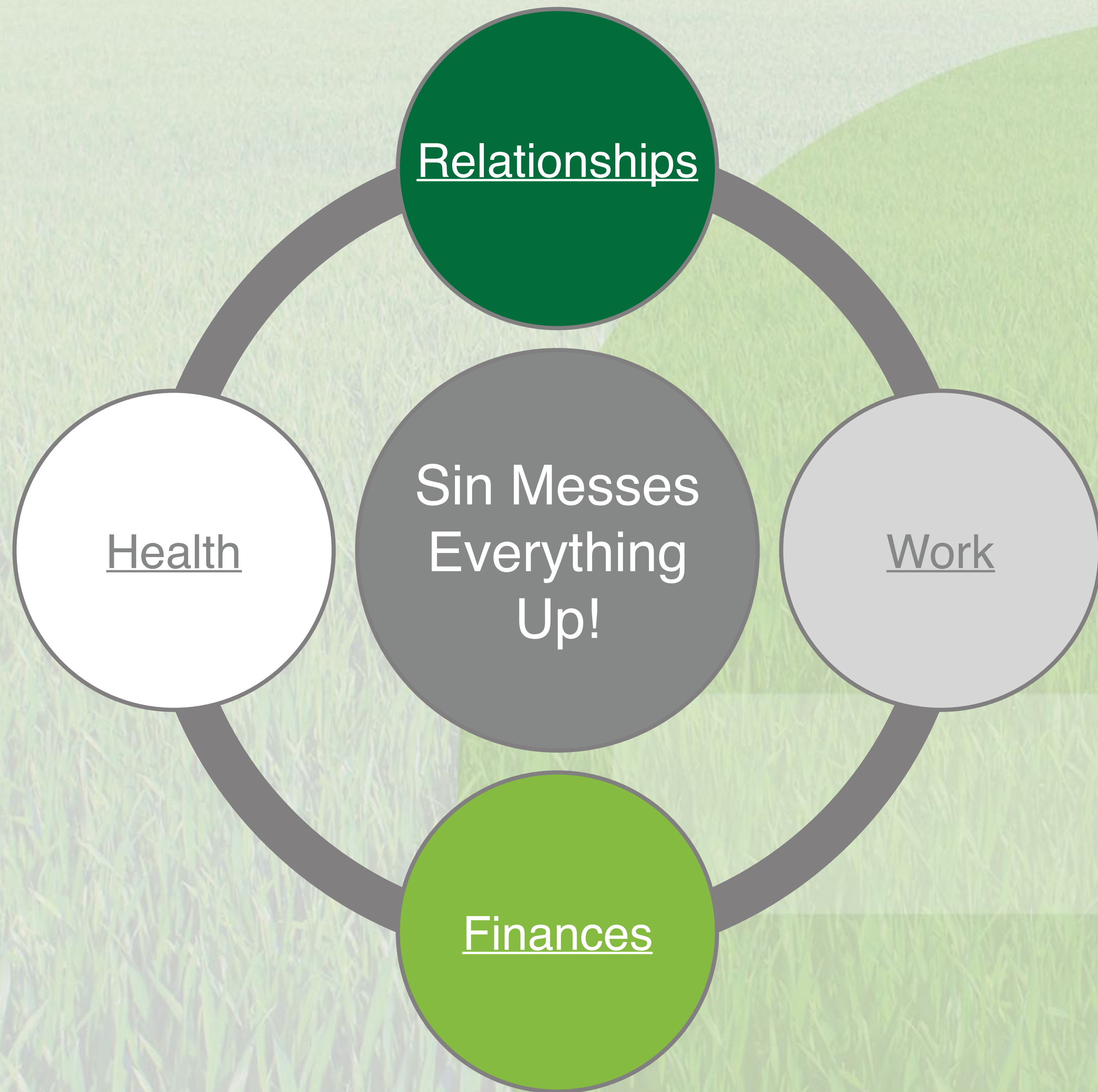


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1. Sin **Messes** Everything Up.



Relationships

Health

Sin Messes
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Work

Finances

The 3 Root Causes of All Struggles

1. My sin (Gal. 6:7-9)
2. Other's sin (against me or in general)
3. Living in a fallen world (Gen 3)



Why is this crucial for group leaders?

- We need to help group members identify the true source of their problems.
- When sin is properly understood the gospel becomes essential.

2. The Christian Life is a Battle Between Two **Natures**.

“The old has gone, the new has come”? (2 Cor. 5:17)

“Dead to sin”? (Rom. 6)

What happens at salvation?



What happens at salvation?

In Adam



What happens at salvation?

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In Christ



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In Christ

Sin Nature (Flesh)



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New Nature



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So I find this law at work: Although I want to do good, evil is right there with me. For in my inner being I delight in God's law; but I see another law at work in me, waging war against the law of my mind and making me a prisoner of the law of sin at work within me.

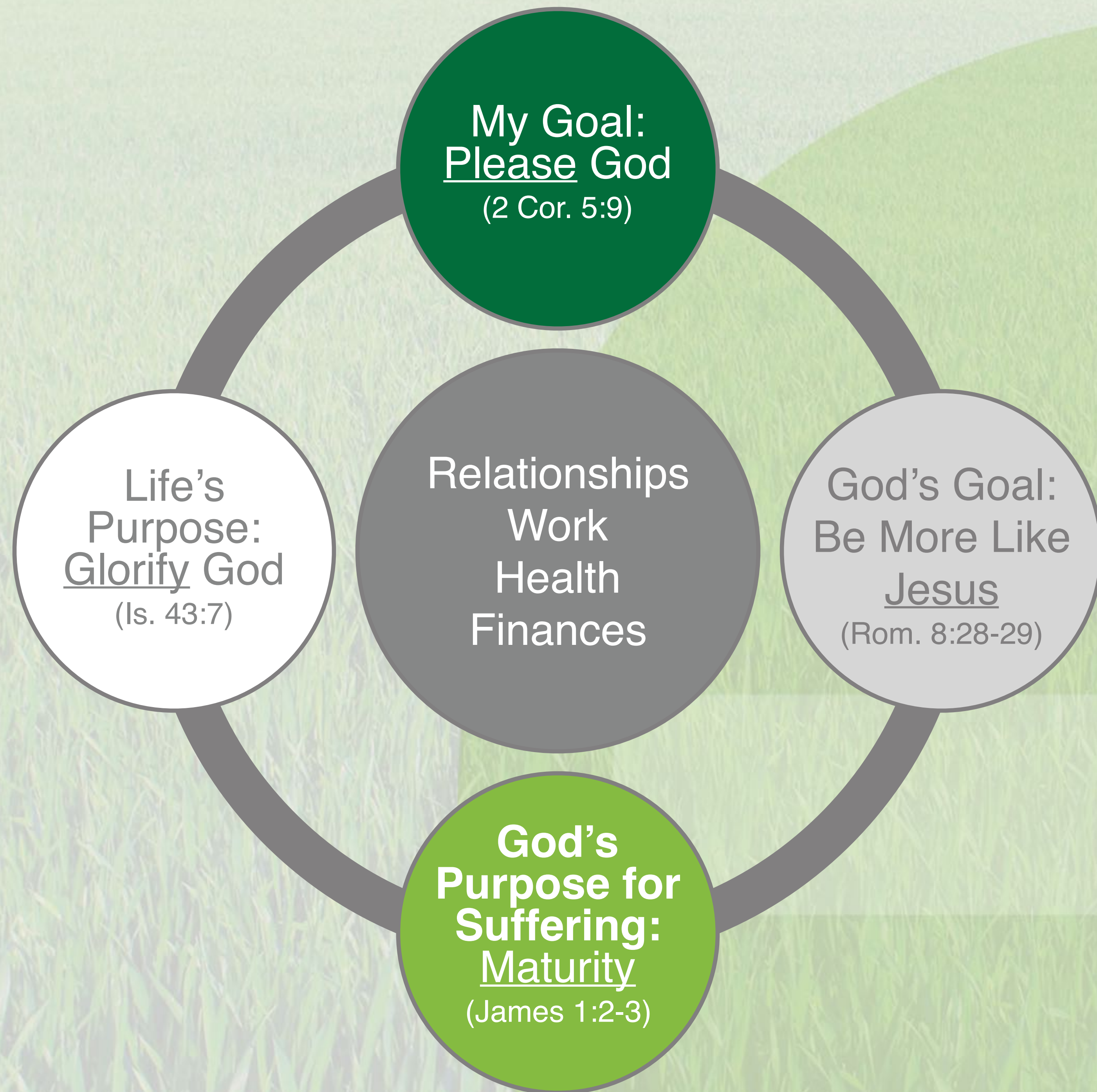
-Romans 7:21-23—



Why is this crucial for group leaders?

- Misunderstanding could lead to false expectations.
- Misunderstanding could lead to insecurity.

3. The **Goal** of a Believer's Life is to Glorify God.



Why is this crucial for group leaders?

- It will clarify what is most important in any situation.

4. God Has **Empowered** You to Live Righteously.

In the same way, count yourselves dead to sin but alive to God in Christ Jesus.

-Romans 6:11—



His divine power has given us everything we need for a godly life through our knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness.

-2 Peter 1:3—



Why is this crucial for group leaders?

- We will be tempted to excuse, dismiss, or succumb to our behaviors.
- We will be tempted to identify ourselves by our behaviors rather than to see our behaviors as choices for which we are responsible.

5. All of Life is **Worship**.

Offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship.

-Romans 12:1—



So whether you eat or drink or whatever
you do, do it all for the glory of God.

-1 Corinthians 10:31—



Why is this crucial for group leaders?

- People tend to compartmentalize their lives in an unhealthy way.

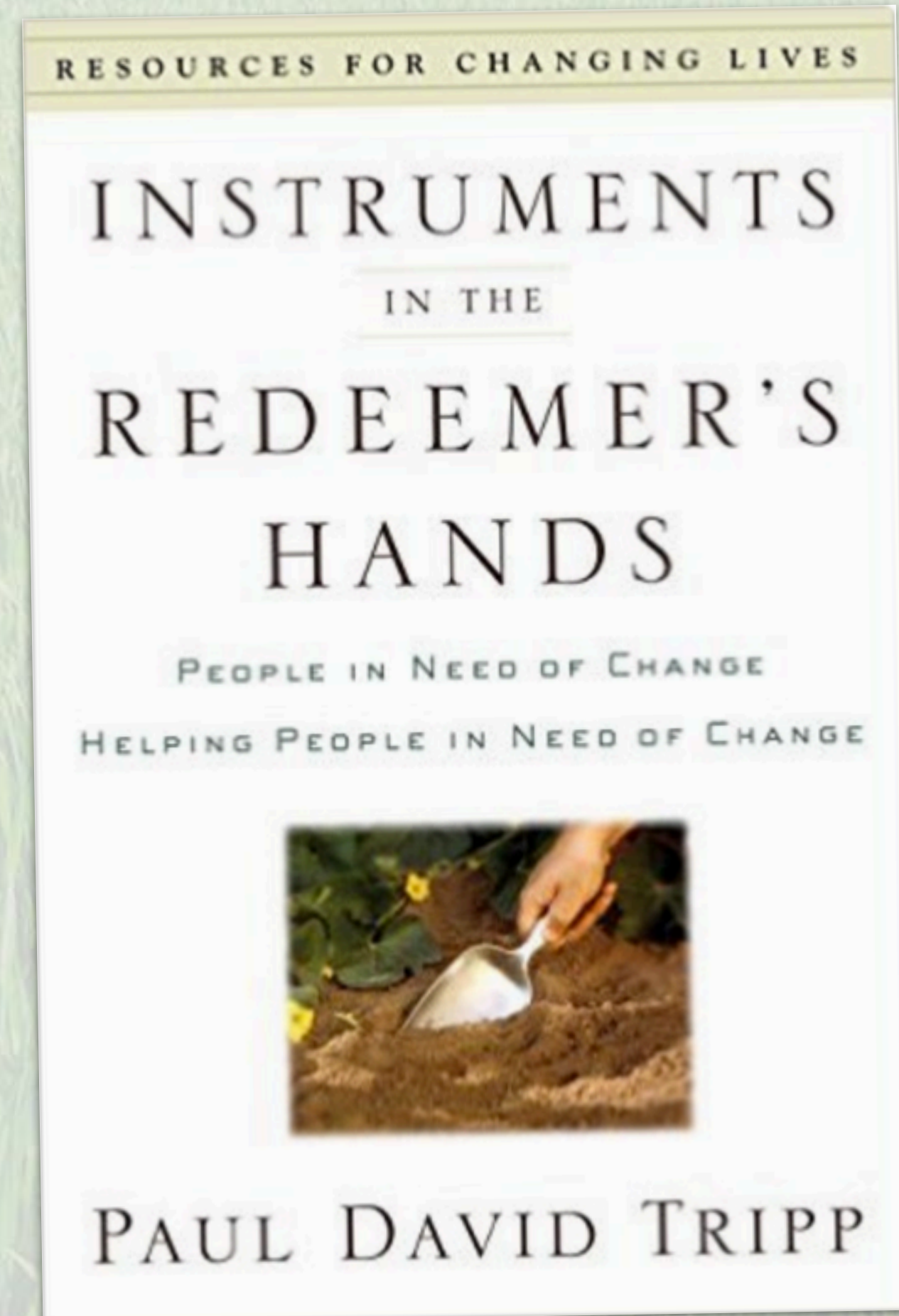
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