



TRANSFORMATION

at King Street Church

Spiritually **alive**.

Relationally **connected**.

Missionally **engaged**.



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The process of God

FORMING

us into the person

HE wants us to be,
for His greater glory.



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CAUTION:

This can be
a painful
process!

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**"I am the true vine,
and my Father is the
gardener. He cuts off
every branch in me that
bears no fruit, while every
branch that does bear fruit
He prunes so that it will
be even more fruitful."**

John 15:2

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**What does
God need to
prune from our
lives, & how
does He do it?**

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**What does God need to
prune from our lives?**

**A: The “desires
of our flesh”**



"So I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh....

The acts of the flesh are obvious:

**sexual immorality, impurity and
debauchery; idolatry and witchcraft; hatred,
discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition,
dissensions, factions and envy; drunkenness,
orgies, and the like."** Galatians 5:16-21



selfish ambition

*:Getting what I want,
the way I want it,
when I want it.*



selfish ambition



**Welcome
to
America!**

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**So if God's plan
is to prune our
selfish desires,
what "tools"
does He use
to do it?**

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**How does God prune
the desires of our flesh?**

**A: Our
Relational
Connections.**



"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law. Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit. Let us not become conceited, provoking and envying one other."

Galatians 5:22-26

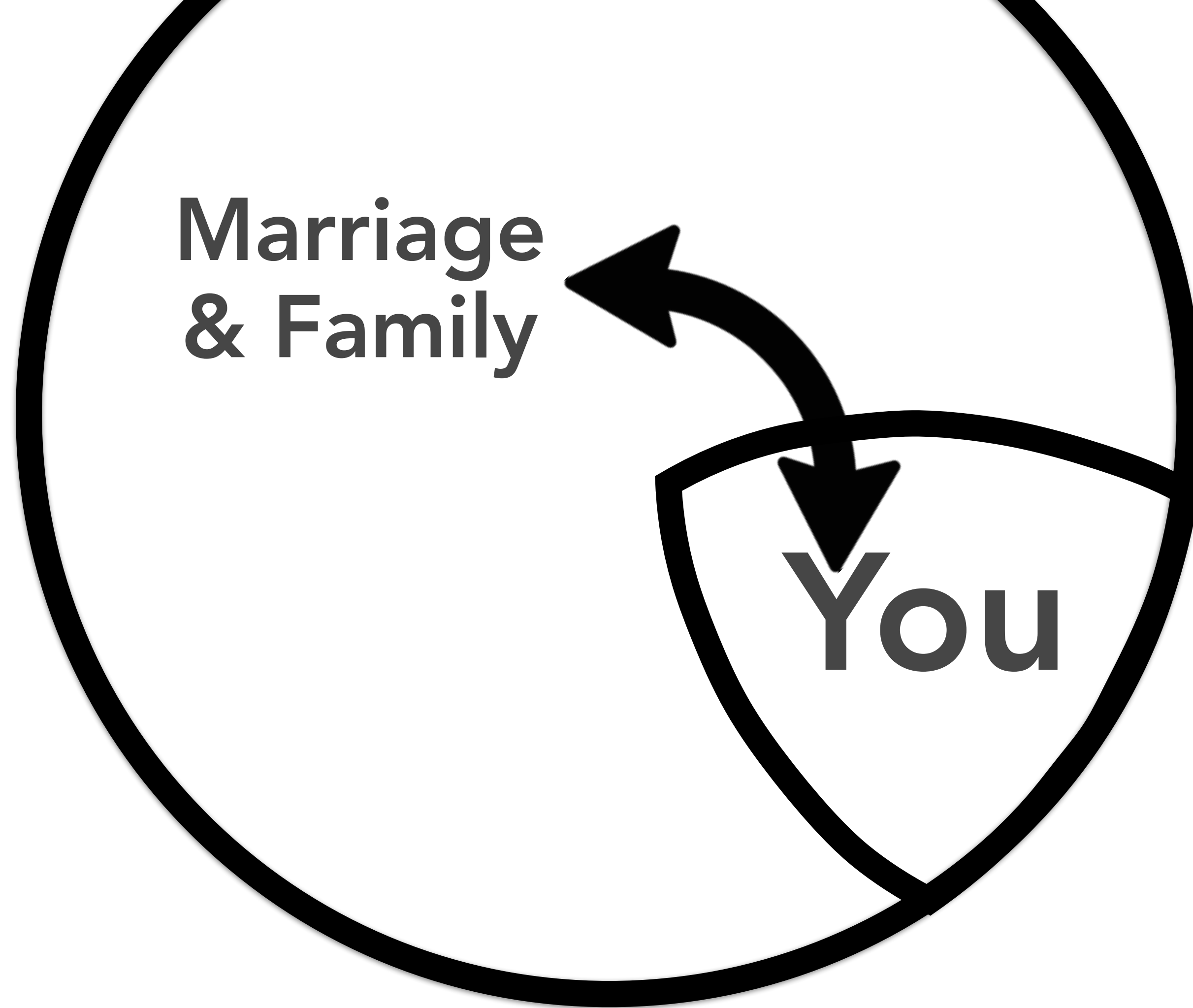


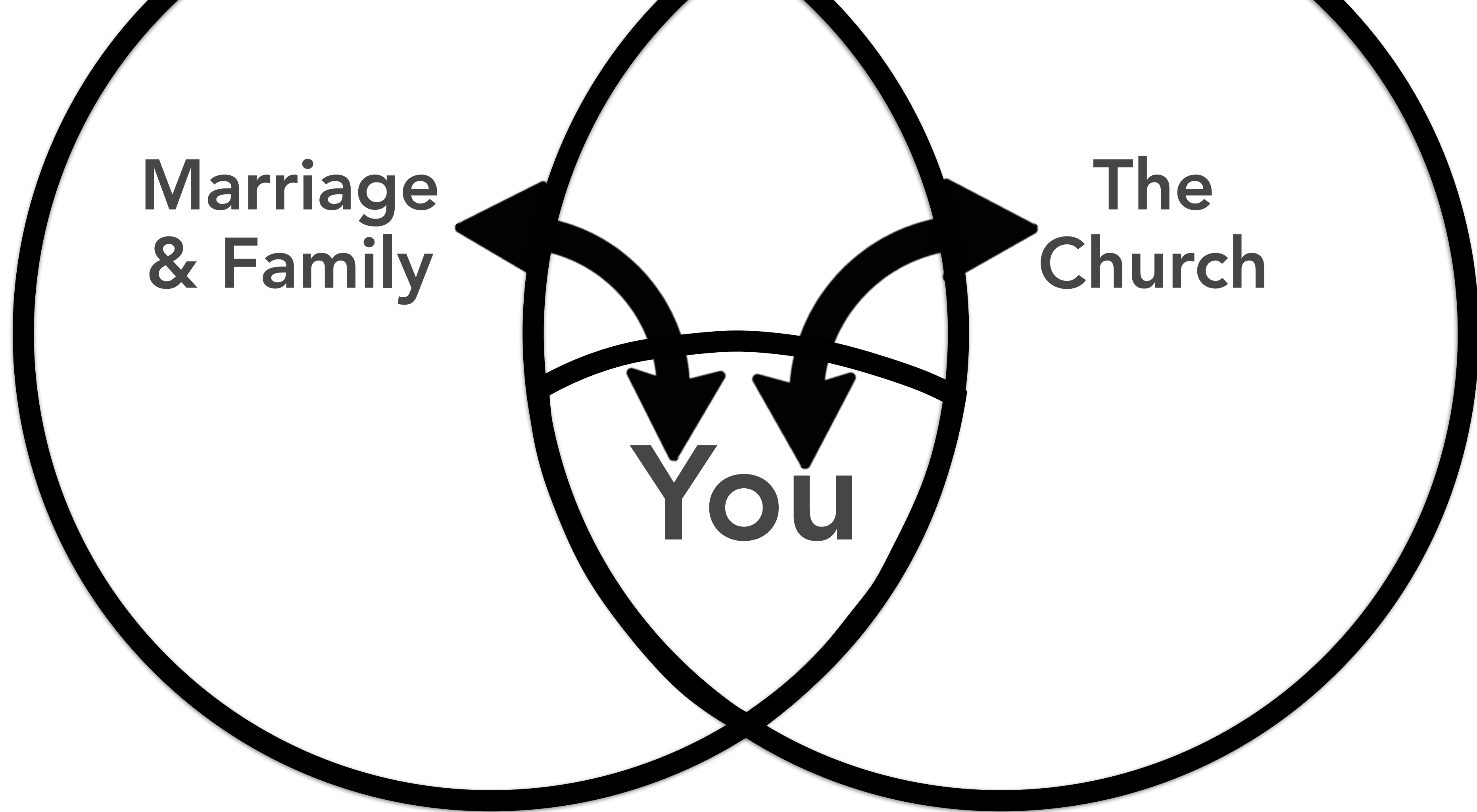
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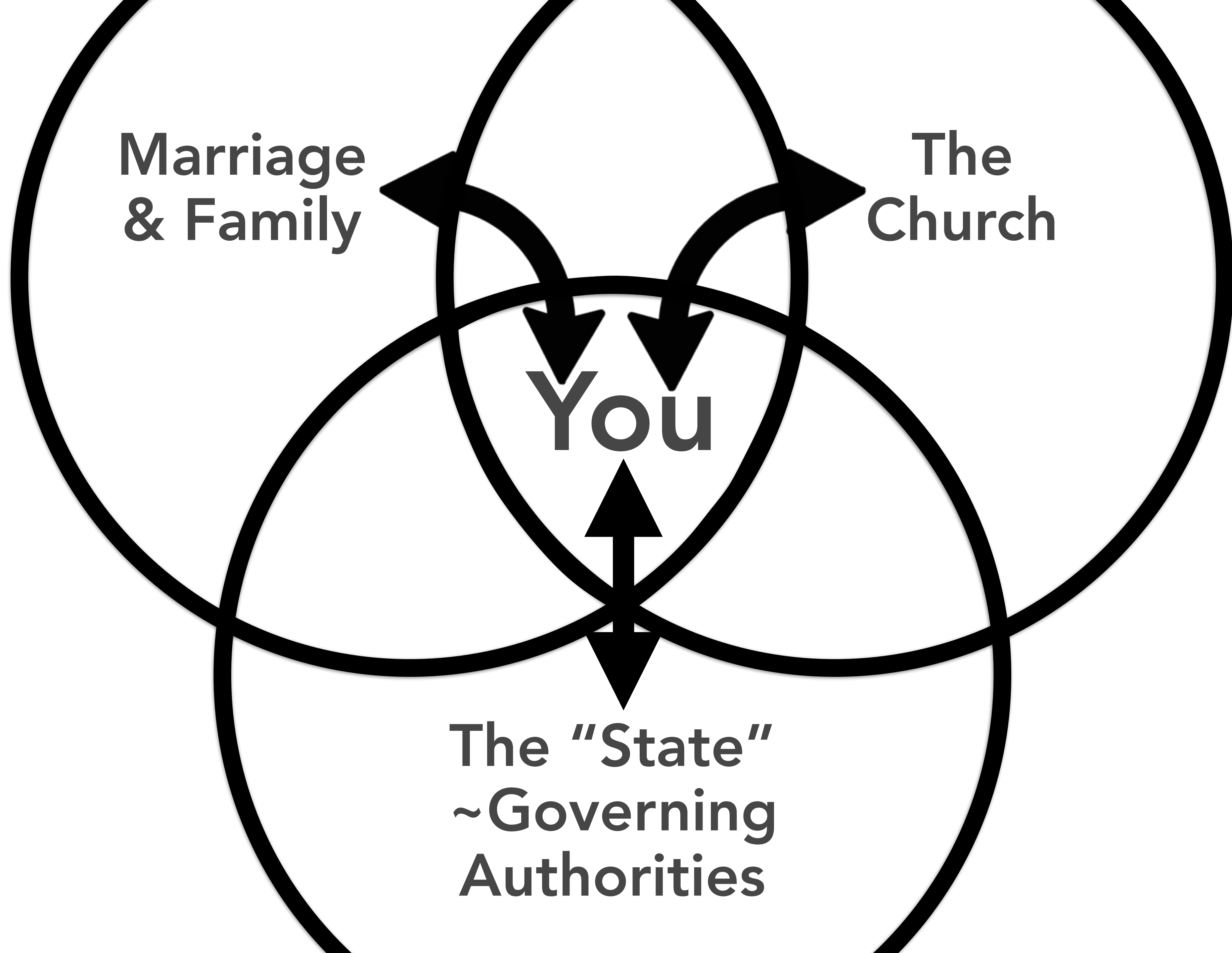


The fruit of the Spirit is produced in our lives as God TRANSFORMS the way we relate to each other and our world.

To illustrate this:
God has designed us
to live relationally
within the context of
three “institutions.”





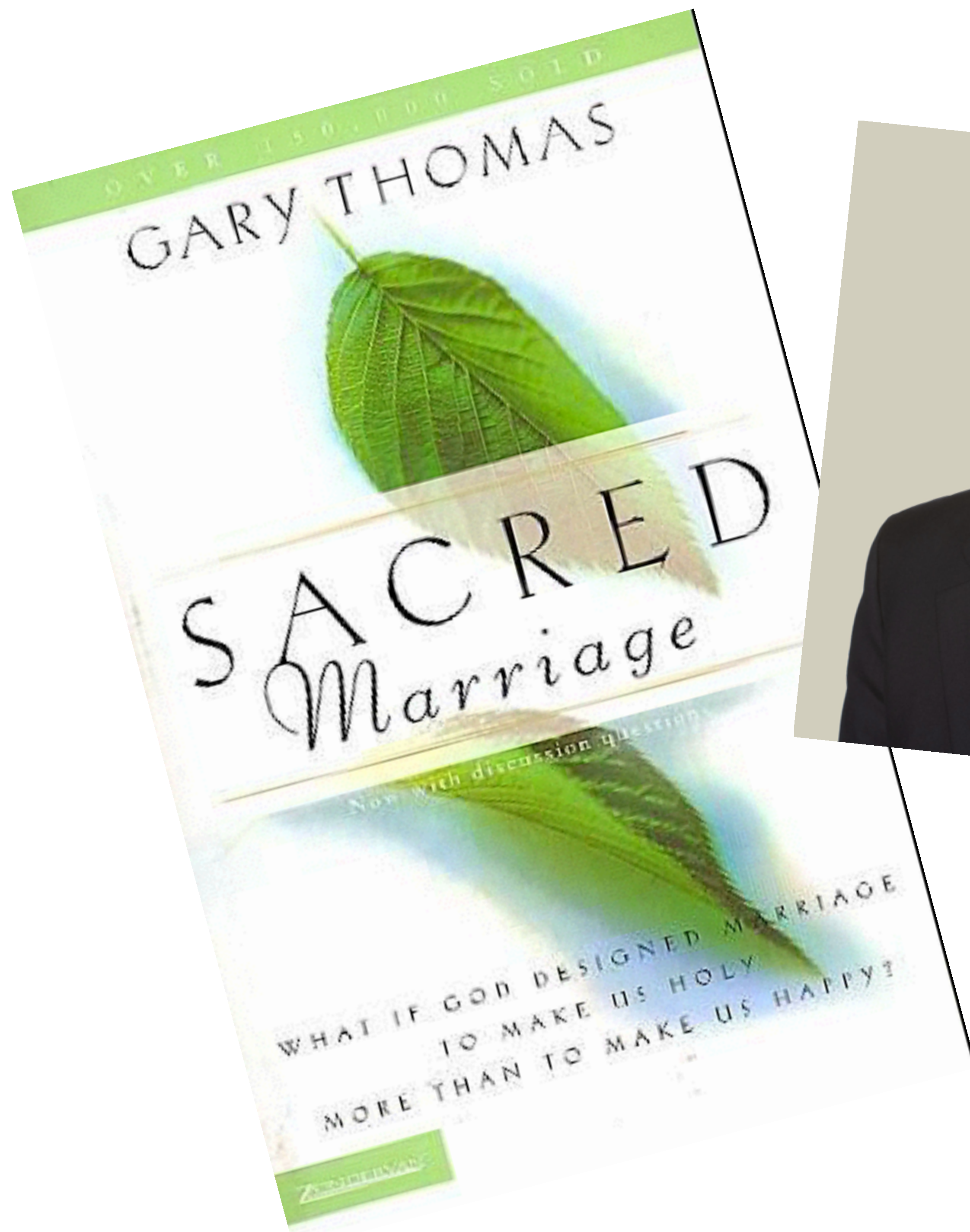


**Marriage
& Family**

**The desires of
my flesh asks:
"How can my
family, my church
& my government
make ME happy?"**

**The
Church**

**The "State"
~Governing
Authorities**



Marriage

Now with discussion questions

WHAT IF GOD DESIGNED MARRIAGE
TO MAKE US HOLY
MORE THAN TO MAKE US HAPPY?

ZEPHYRUS

“We have to rid ourselves of the notion that the difficulties of marriage can be overcome if we simply pray harder or learn a few simple principles. Most of us have discovered that these ‘simple steps’ work only on a superficial level. Why is this? Because there’s a deeper question that needs to be addressed beyond how we can ‘improve’ our marriage:

“What if God didn’t DESIGN marriage to be ‘easier’? What if God had an end in mind that went beyond our happiness, our comfort, and our desire to be infatuated and happy as if the world were a perfect place. What if God designed our marriage to make us holy more than to make us happy? And what if your relationship isn’t as much about you and your spouse as it is about you and God?”

**What if God didn't design
ANY of our relational
connections to be easy?
What if ALL of our relational
connections are designed by
God to transform us into
more Holy people?**

Romans 13:1-4

**“The authorities that exist have
been established by God.
...For the one in authority is
God’s servant for your good.”**

Allow God to
TRANSFORM
you into the person
HE wants you to be,
for His greater glory.

**Change my heart oh God,
Make it ever true.**

**Change my heart oh God,
May I be like You.**

**You are the potter,
I am the clay,
Mold me and make me,
This is what I pray.**

Eddie Espinosa

