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· 4 While a large crowd was gathering and people were coming to Jesus from town after town, he told this parable: 5 "A farmer went out to sow his seed. As he was scattering the seed, some fell along the path; it was trampled on, and the birds ate it up.

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• 6 Some fell on rocky ground, and when it came up, the plants withered because they had no moisture. 7 Other seed fell among thorns, which grew up with it and choked the plants.

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•8 Still other seed fell on good soil. It came up and yielded a crop, a hundred times more than was sown." When he said this, he called out, "Whoever has ears to hear, let them hear."

·Parables of Jesus

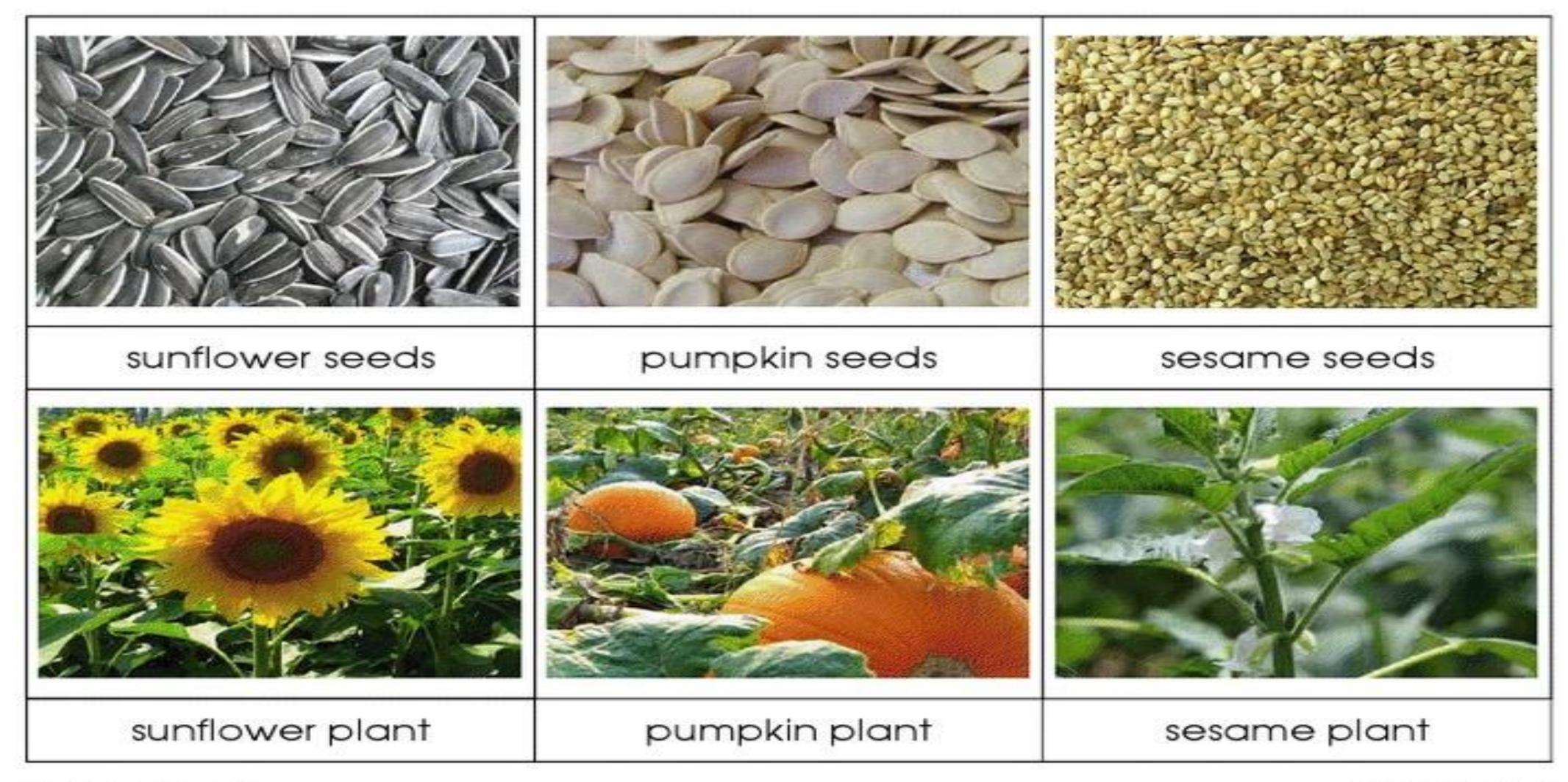
Parable = to throw something alongside

•Luke 8: 11-15

•11 "This is the meaning of the parable: The seed is the word of God.

- •12 Those along the path are the ones who hear, and then the devil comes and takes away the word from their hearts, so that they may not believe and be saved.
- •13 Those on the rocky ground are the ones who receive the word with joy when they hear it, but they have no root. They believe for a while, but in the time of testing they fall away.

- •14 The seed that fell among thorns stands for those who hear, but as they go on their way they are choked by life's worries, riches and pleasures, and they do not mature.
- •15 But the seed on good soil stands for those with a noble and good heart, who hear the word, retain it, and by persevering produce a crop.



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The Parable of the Sower



- ·Hebrews 4:12 (NIV)
- •12 For the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart.

- •1 Thessalonians 2:13 (NTV)
- •13 And we also thank God continually because, when you received the word of God, which you heard from us, you accepted it not as a human word, but as it actually is, the word of God, which is indeed at work in you who believe.

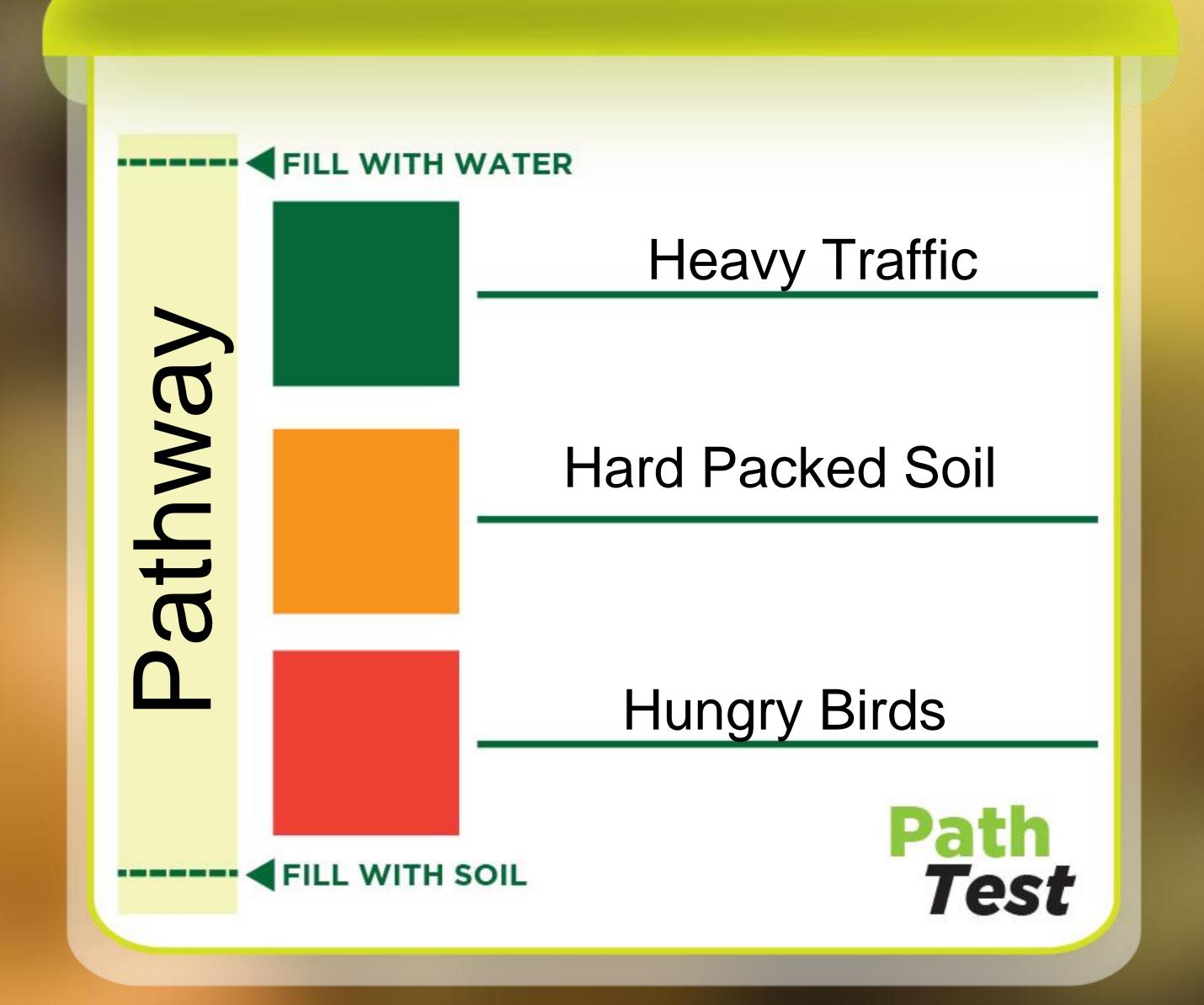
- •Romans 1:16 NIV)
- •16 For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes: first to the Jew, then to the Gentile.

- •1 Peter 1:23-25 (NIV)
- •23 For you have been born again, not of perishable seed, but of imperishable, through the living and enduring word of God.

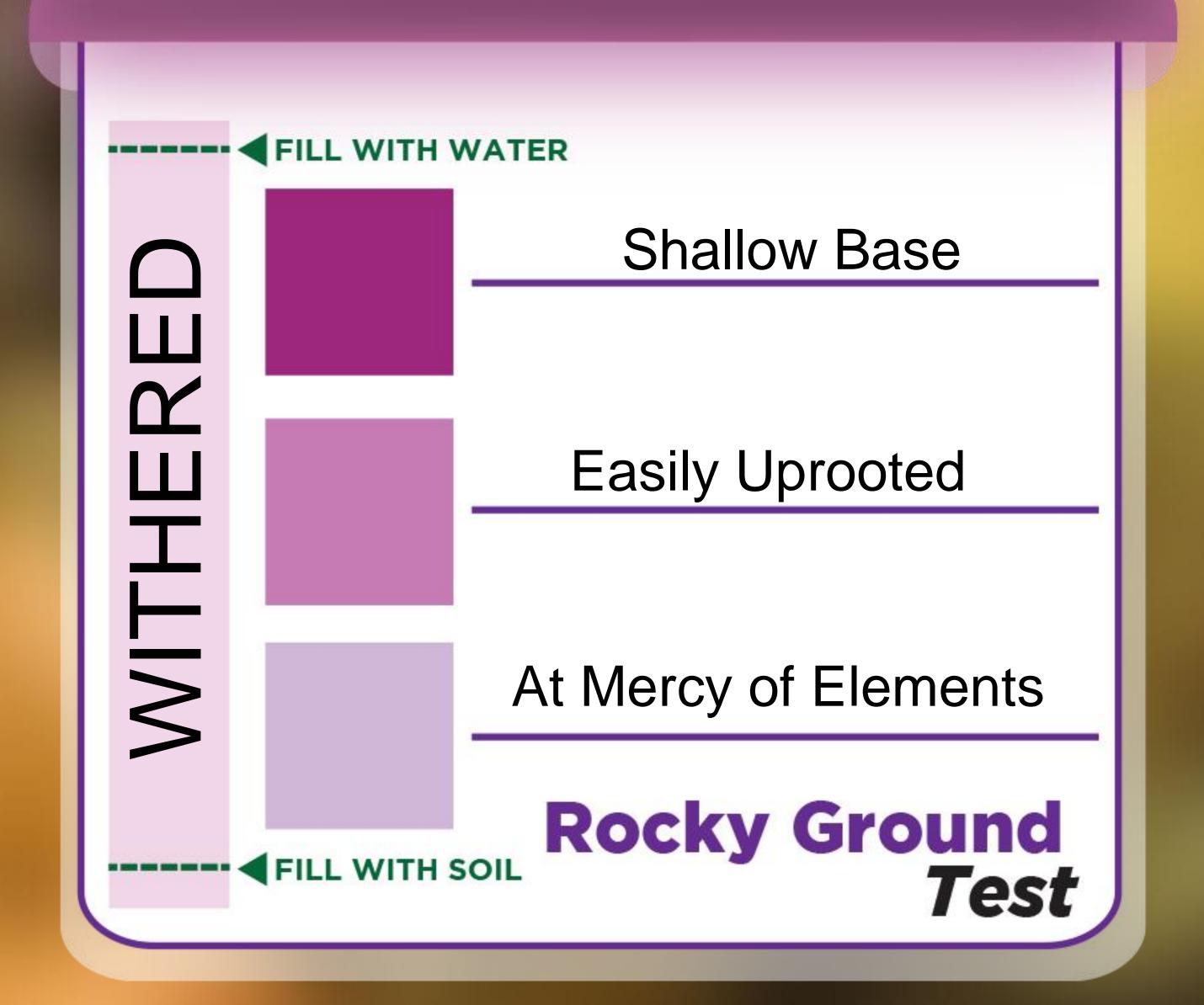
- ·24 For, "All people are like grass,
- and all their glory is like the flowers of the field; the grass withers and the flowers fall,
- •25 but the word of the Lord endures forever."

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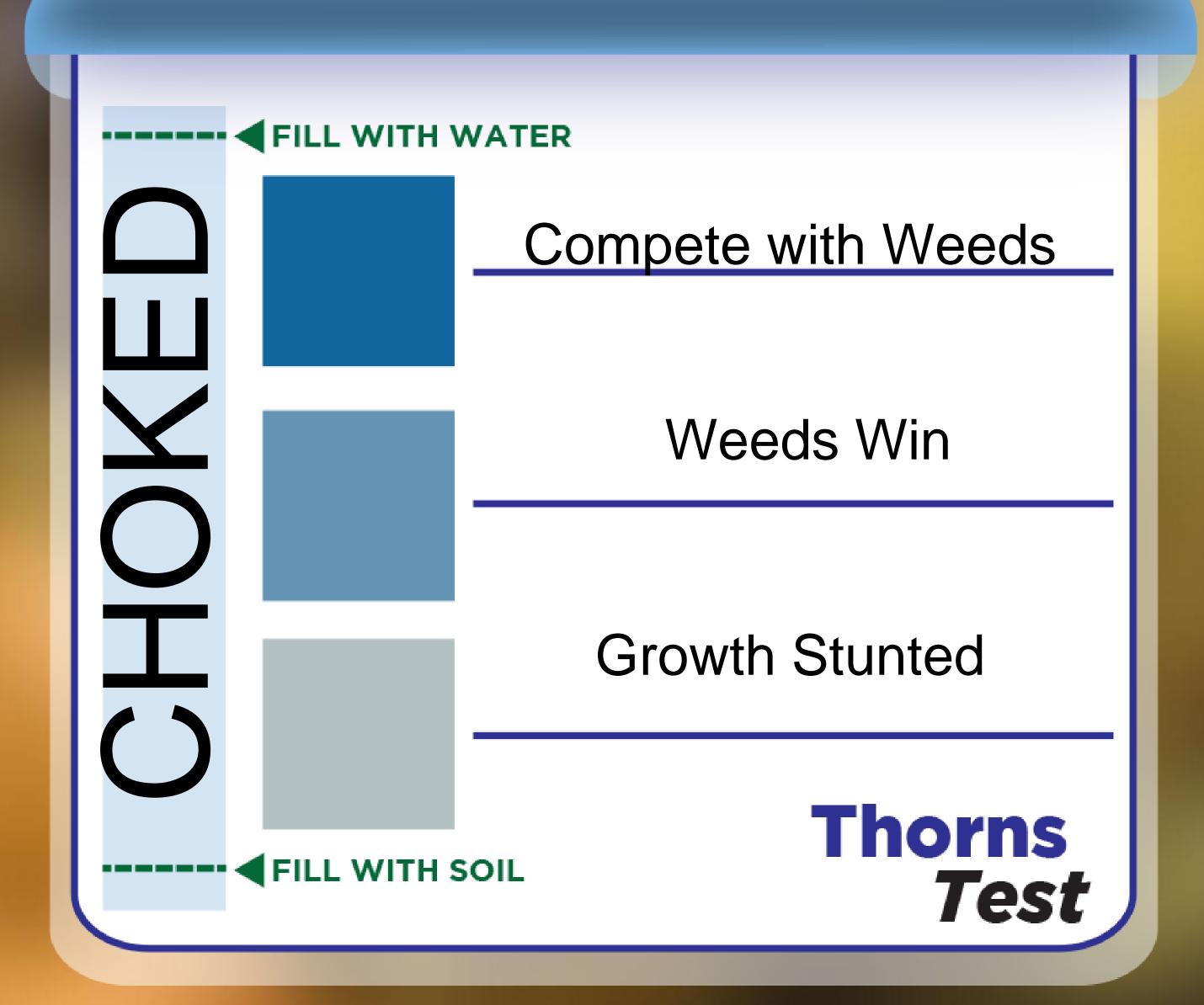




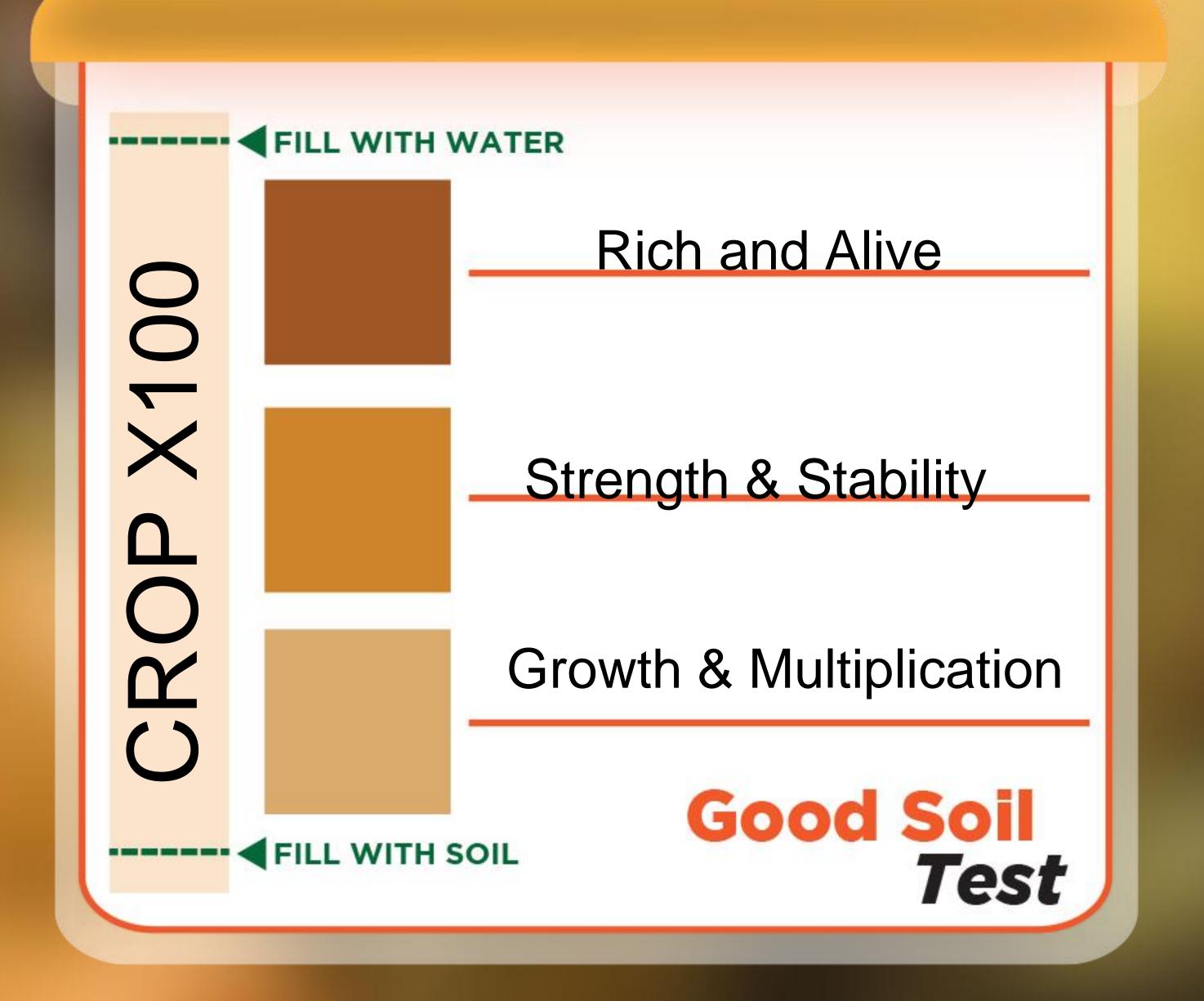












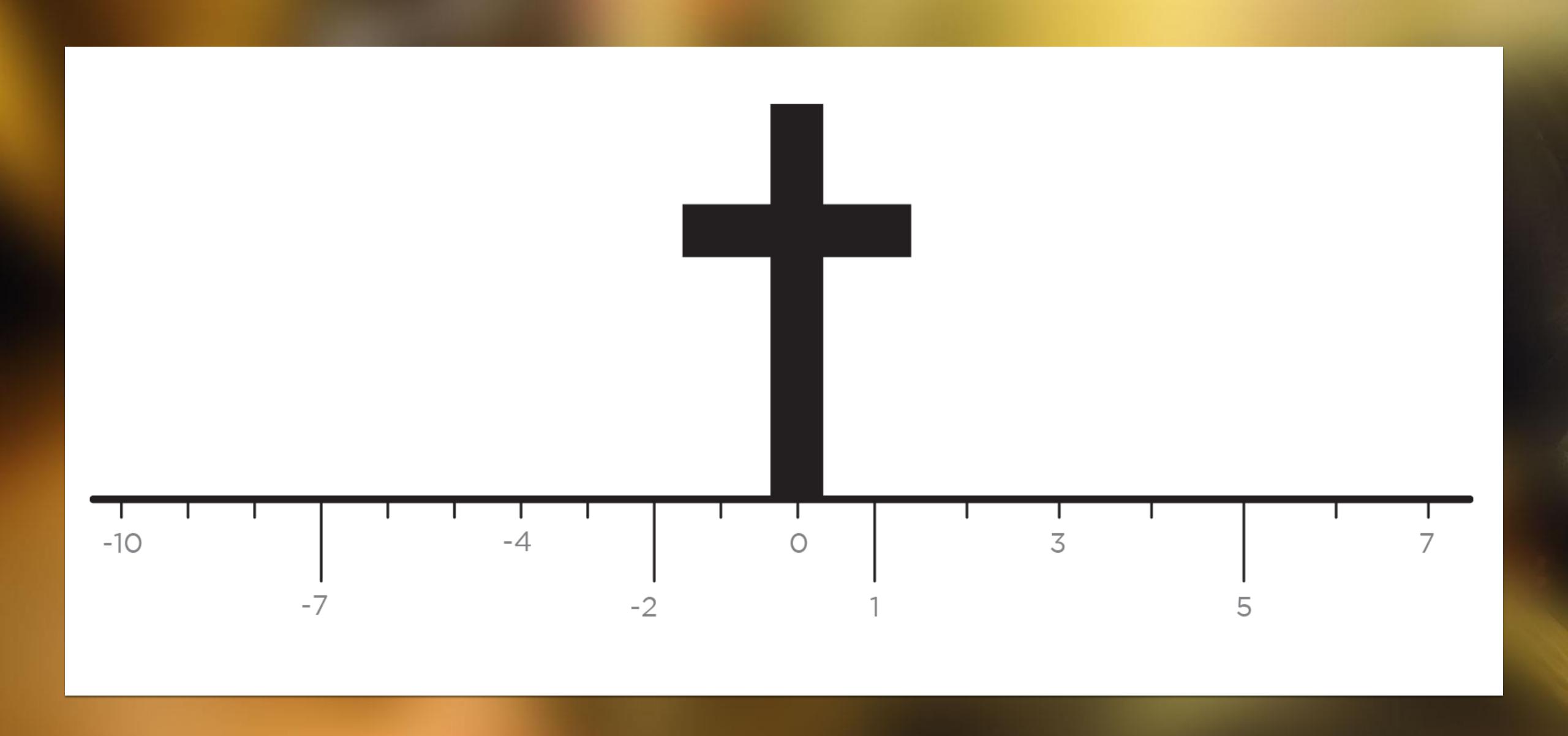


Why Jesus?

Prepping Disciples to Sow? Prepping Us to Sow?

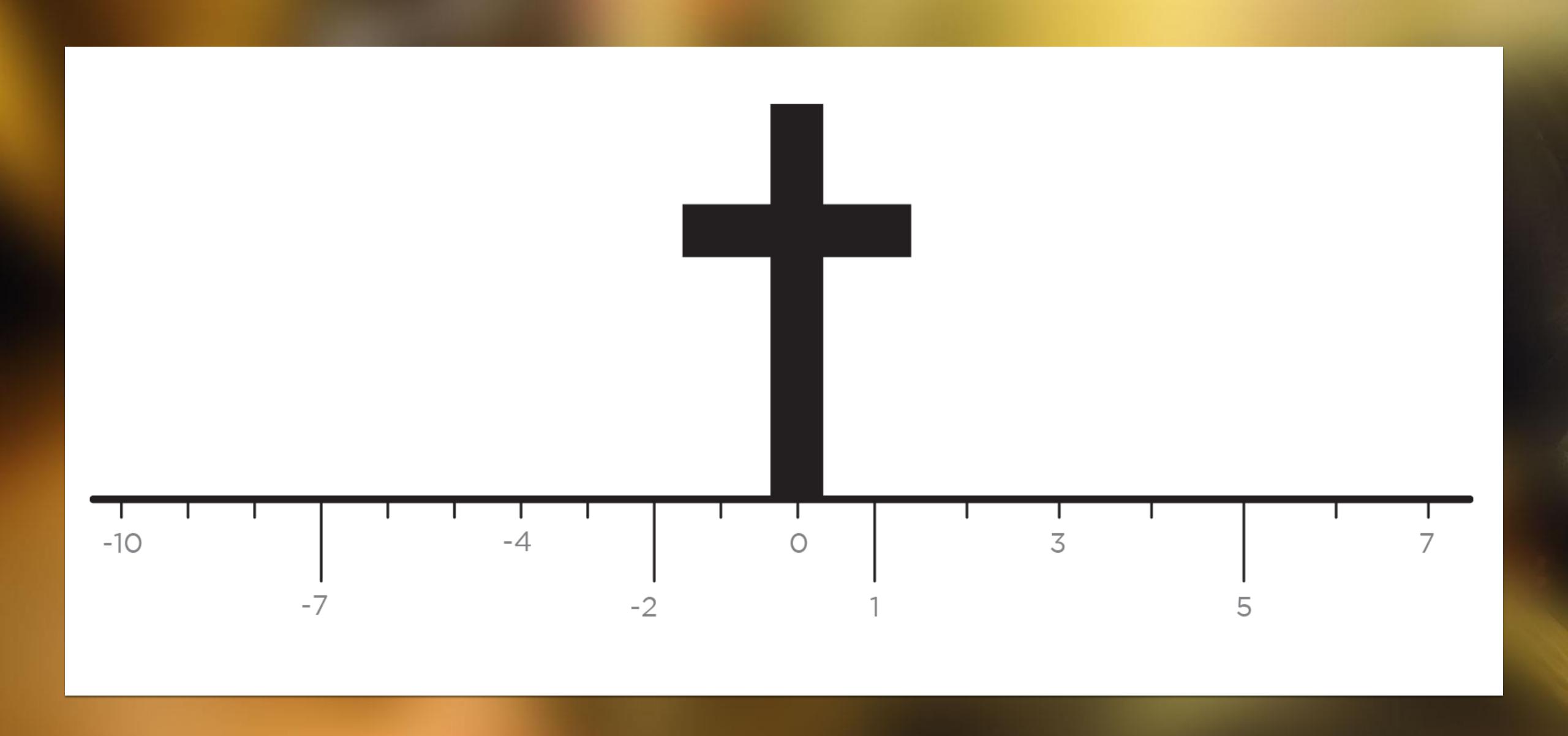
Spiritual Decision Making Process

James Engel



- -8 We have some Knowledge and belief of God and Jesus Christ
- -6 Positive opinion of Christ and Christian people
- 4Hearing and understanding the Gospel/Good News (Do vs. Done)

- -3 Personal problem recognition (I am sinner / need forgiveness)
 - -2 Decision to act Now is the time
 - -1 Repentance and Faith



- +1 Post Decision evaluation
- +2 Incorporation into Body
- +3 Communion with God
- +4 Grow in knowledge and new lifestyle
- +5 Stewardship and Service

- •Evangelism is helping people move closer to Jesus.
- •Using my words and life actions and posture to let them see Jesus living in me.
- •His Word His Grace Fruit of Spirit

WHAT DOESTHIS MEAN?

To me, to take root like natural roots is to allow God's Word and His Will be established in every aspect of life, work and pleasure.



•6 And now, just as you accepted Christ Jesus as your Lord, you must continue to follow him. 7 Let your roots grow down into him, and let your lives be built on him.

·Colossians 2:6



