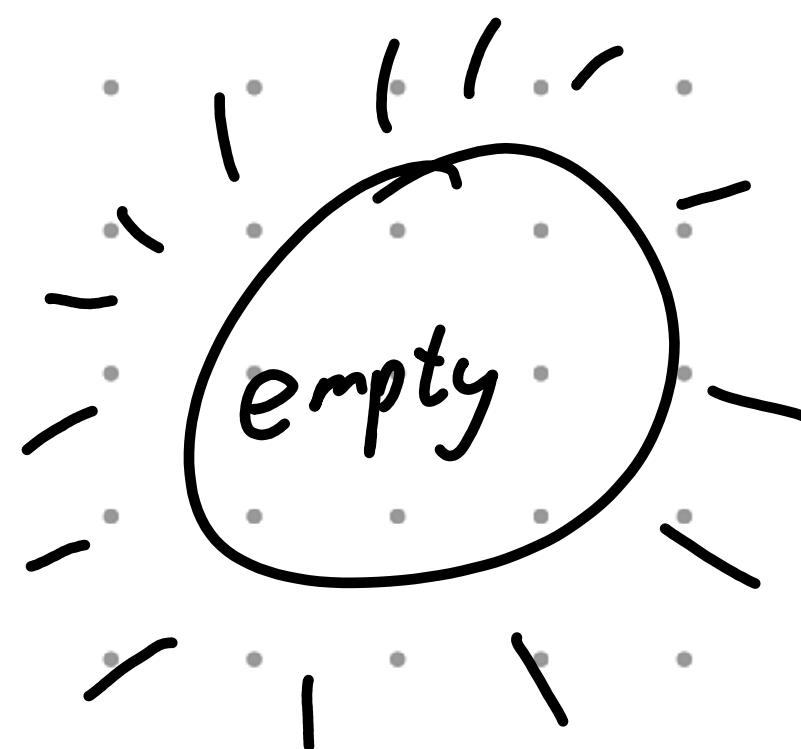
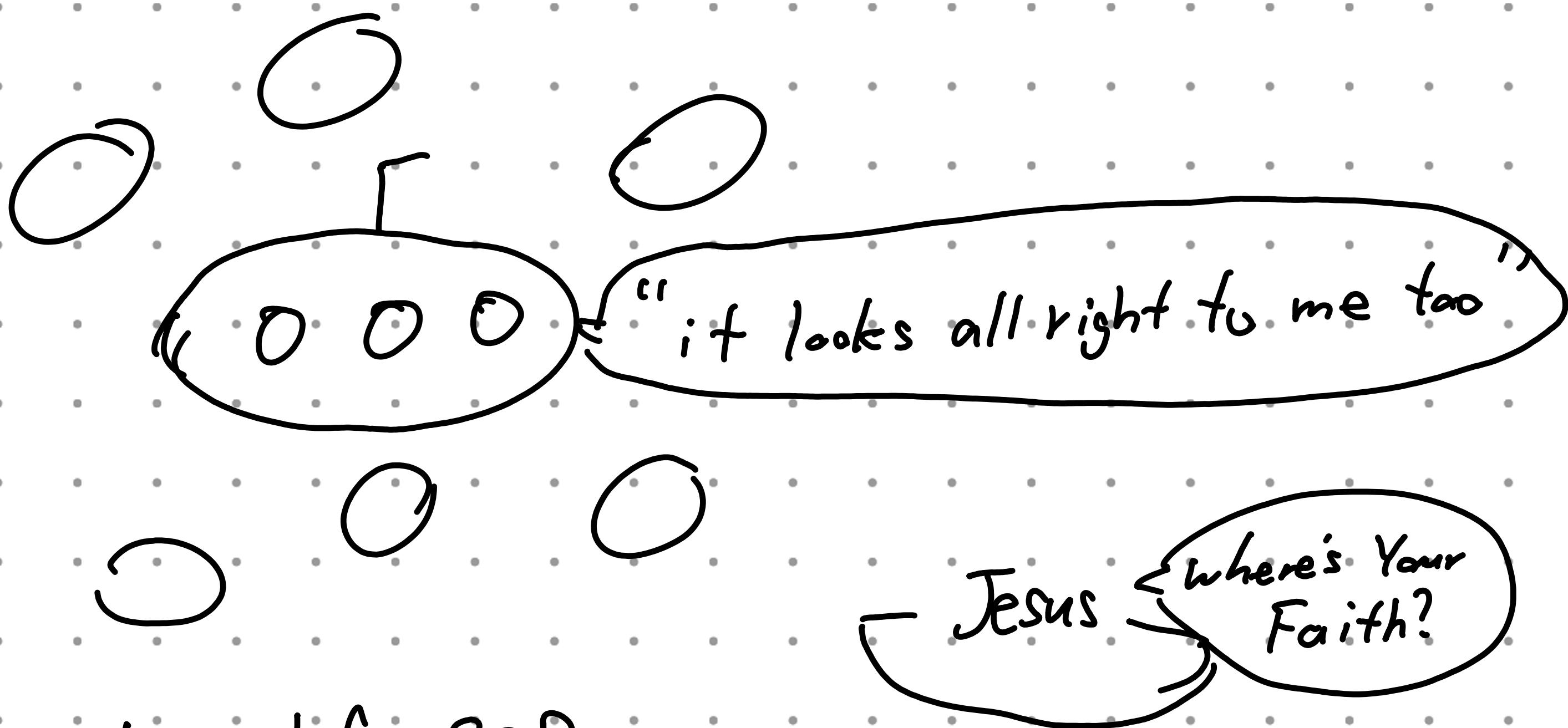


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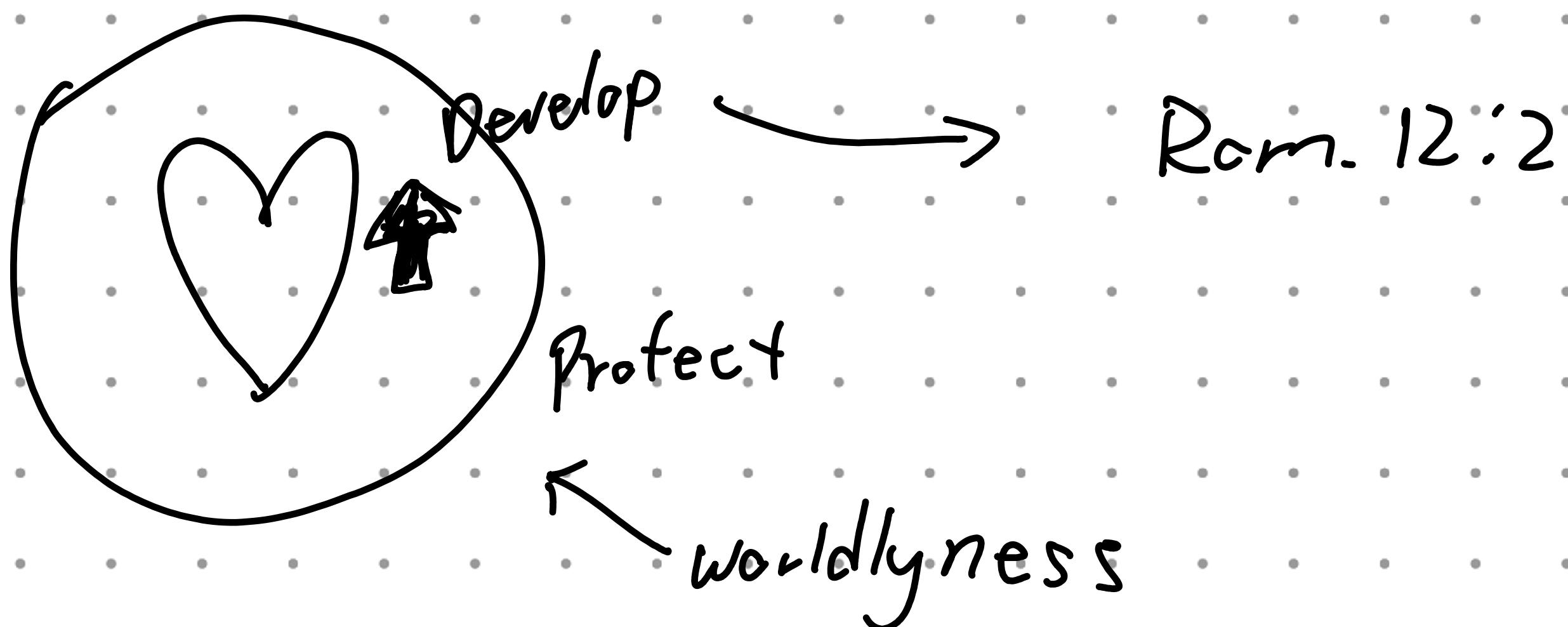
Private World

"Beware the Barrenness of a busy life" - Fred Mitchell



- Inner life SCP

"Watch over your heart with all diligence, for from it flows the Spring of life." Prov 4:23



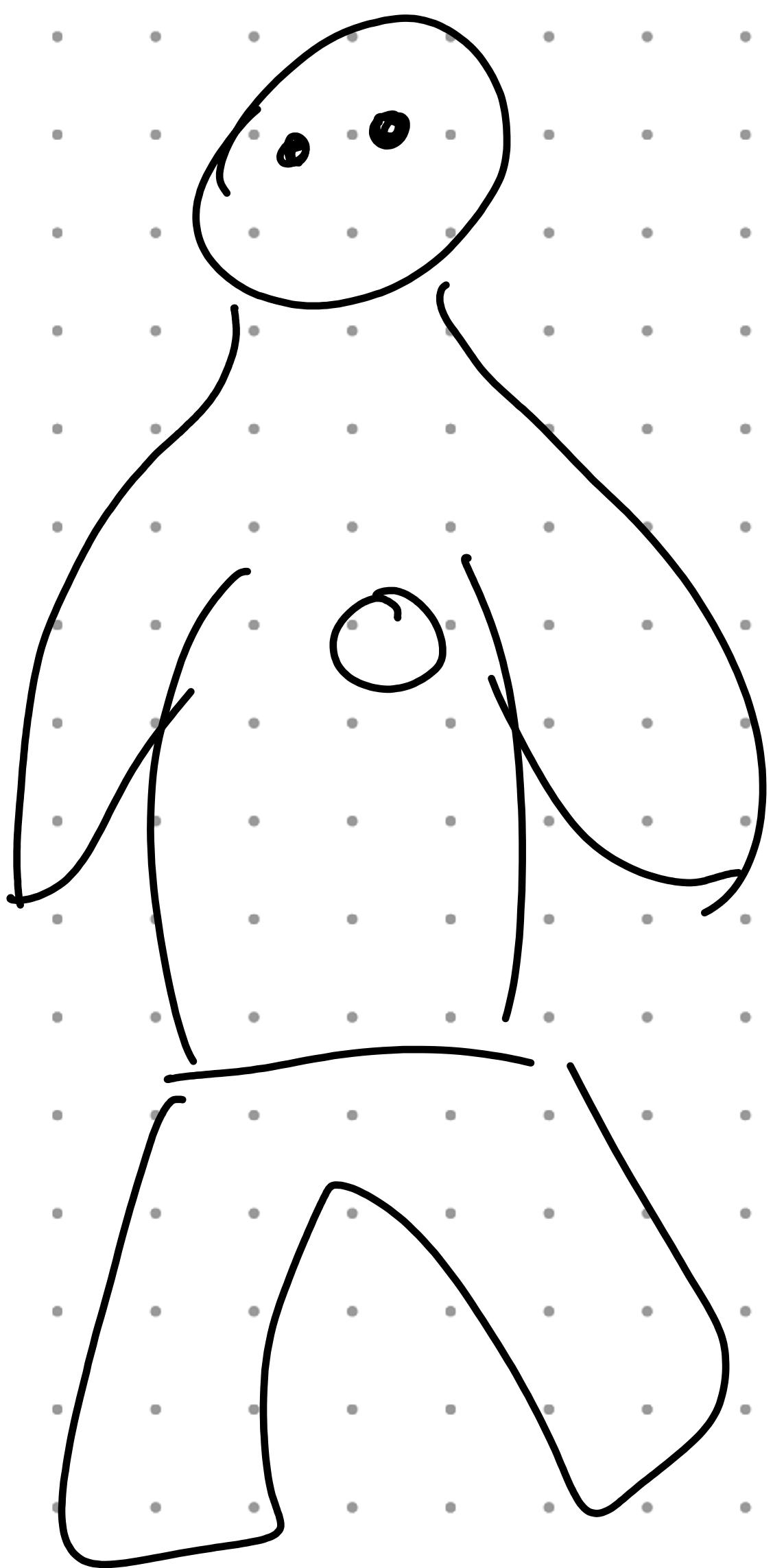
"let their soul catch up to their bodies" pg. 32

The Driven v.s. the Called.

1. Driven, most often gratified by accomplishment
2. preoccupied w/ symbols of accomplishment
- who they know, title, etc...
3. Uncontrollable pursuit of expansion
4. a limited regard for integrity
5. don't bother themselves with people
(miserable to work with, but gets things done")
6. Highly competitive
7. Posses a volcanic force of anger

8. abnormally busy, avoid play and spiritual worship

- masochist



- fast starter

- impatien

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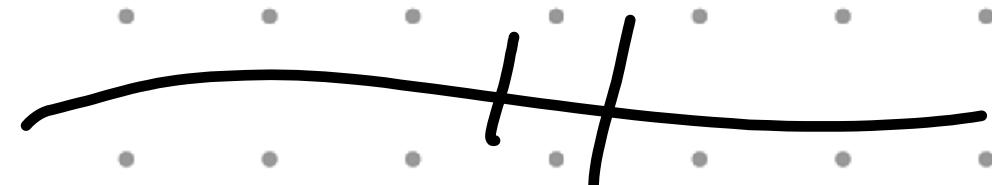
'Saul did not saw that coming"

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Saul

Why are people driven?

1. Grew in an environment w/ no praise.
2. Suffered an incredible loss or shame
3. Grew from a place of great embarrassment or "worthlessness"
4. Grew up where drivenness is a way of life



The called

- John the Baptist 'He must increase
I must decrease'
- Stewardship of skill, ministry, resources.
- knows who they are, especially who they are not.
'I'm not even worthy of tying the sandals...'
- lived w/ purpose the crowd
- John was okay to let ^ go, and pass it to Christ
- One learns to depend on God in the desert
- One gets to think in the desert.

- when disorganized we tend to seek out tasks that are easy and unproductive tasks.
 - we have to budget our time. 1) what we must do 2) what we would like to do
 - we can learn time management from Him who never hurried. Jesus.
 - Mission & Purpose → time in prayer
 - He knew his limit →
 - He discipled the 12. Invested in people
1. Unmanaged time goes into things I'm not the best at
 - spend more time doing what you are best at
 - let other member of the body do what they're good at
 2. Have a schedule and keep it.
 3. Beware of the urgent, usually not important enough to be really 'urgent'
 4. Unmanaged time goes to things that gains public acclamations.

1. Find your rhythm of maximum effectiveness
 2. Be thoughtful on what you choose to spend time on.
Picking the best out of the good.
 - be very careful here, learn to say no to things that you want to do but may not be the best.
 3. Plan well in advance of those most important tasks and keep them.
 - Be mindful instead of mindless. Think for yourself
 - You have to run the full course to claim the victory
 - functioning w/o thought
 - love God w/ all of your strength heart, soul and mind.
 - aim to train your mind! And be a thinker!
1. The mind must be disciplined to think Christianly
 2. The mind must observe and appreciate the message God has written in creation
 3. Trained to pursue information, ideas and insight to serve the people of the public world

- we grow by becoming listeners

↳ learn to ask questions

↳ visit people at their place of work

↳ listening to mentors

↳ listen to our critics

- we grow through Reading

- we grow through disciplined study

Ezra 7:10

- "Defensive study"

- "offensive study" → exploration

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Study, Do
and teach!

- We need discipline to nurture our spiritual life

It is much like tending a garden, weeding, planning, watering and harvest.

What we lose if our garden's unkept

- fail to enjoy the eternal and infinite perspective of reality

- life giving relationship w/ Jesus

- the fear of accountability w/ God

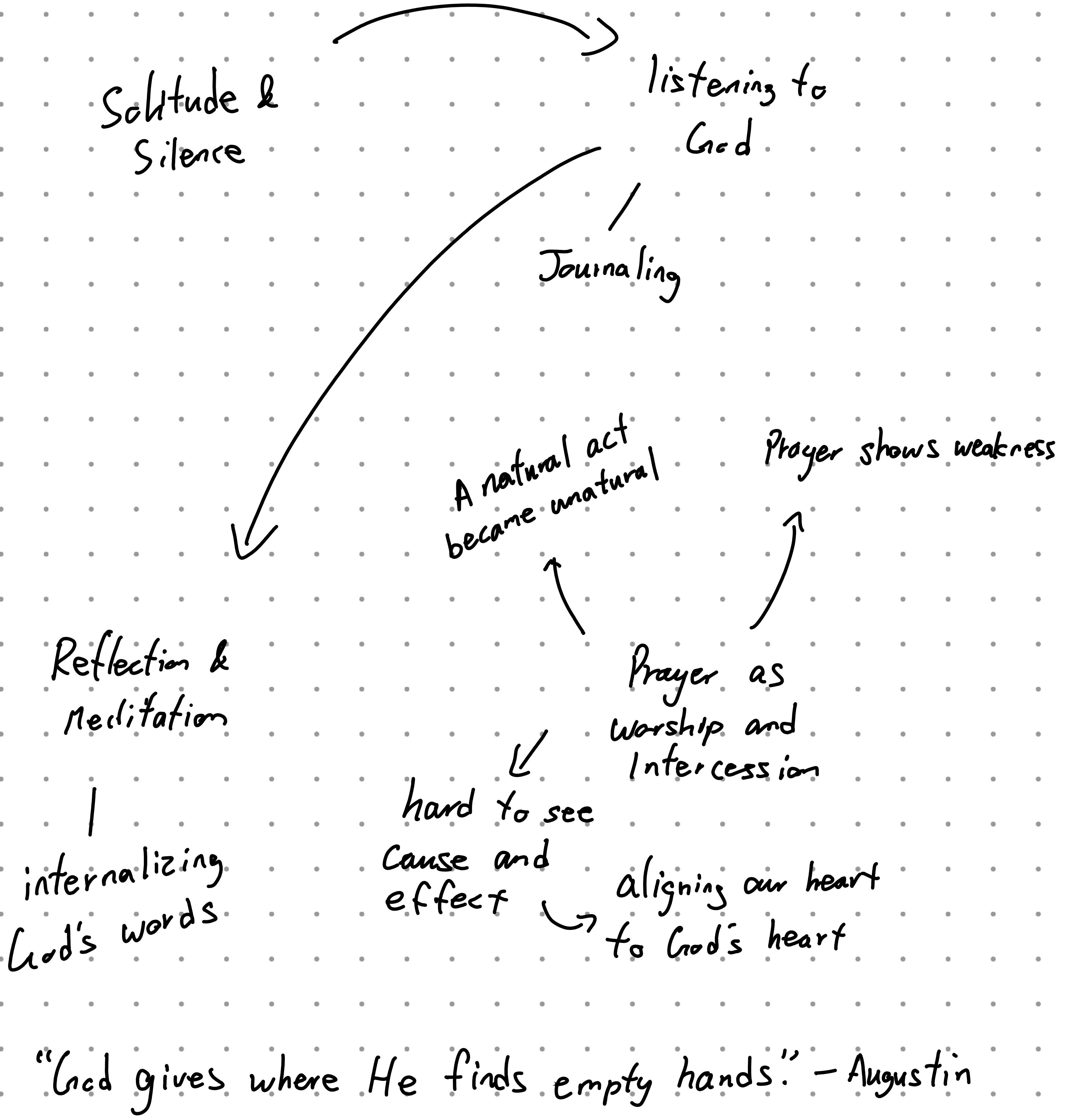
- the awareness of our true size compared to God (Pride & humility)

- Our specialness and value as children of God

- no resolve in time of tribulation

1 Cor. 9:26-27

* QT, shouldn't be a system or method. It's much more than something you can check off on a list



He Speaks, and the sound of his voice
Is so sweet the birds hush their singing.

(Austin Miles, "In the Garden")

"The innermost strands are the strongest. I need no
outer props to hold up my faith, for my faith holds me."
-E. Stanley Jones

Prayer

time → personal

Posture → mind & heart be quieted and ready

Content → adoration and thanksgiving

→ confession

Rest v.s. Leisure or Amusement

↓
necessity

past; backward

Closing the Loop

present; upward

future; ahead

Returning to the Eternal Truth → a wheel alignment

Defining Our Mission → where we are headed?

Worship w/ the Family

- Sabbath not b/c our work is done, but because God commands it. So budget it in your plan

'Though I am always in haste, I am never in a hurry, because I never undertake more work than I can go through with calmness of Spirit' - John Wesley

- leave the city and you can see the stars.