

The evangelistic ideas that worked in secular, hedonistic Lyon

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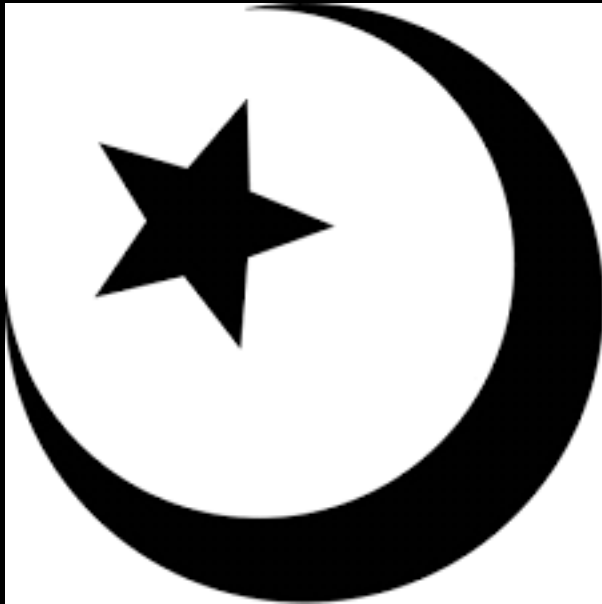
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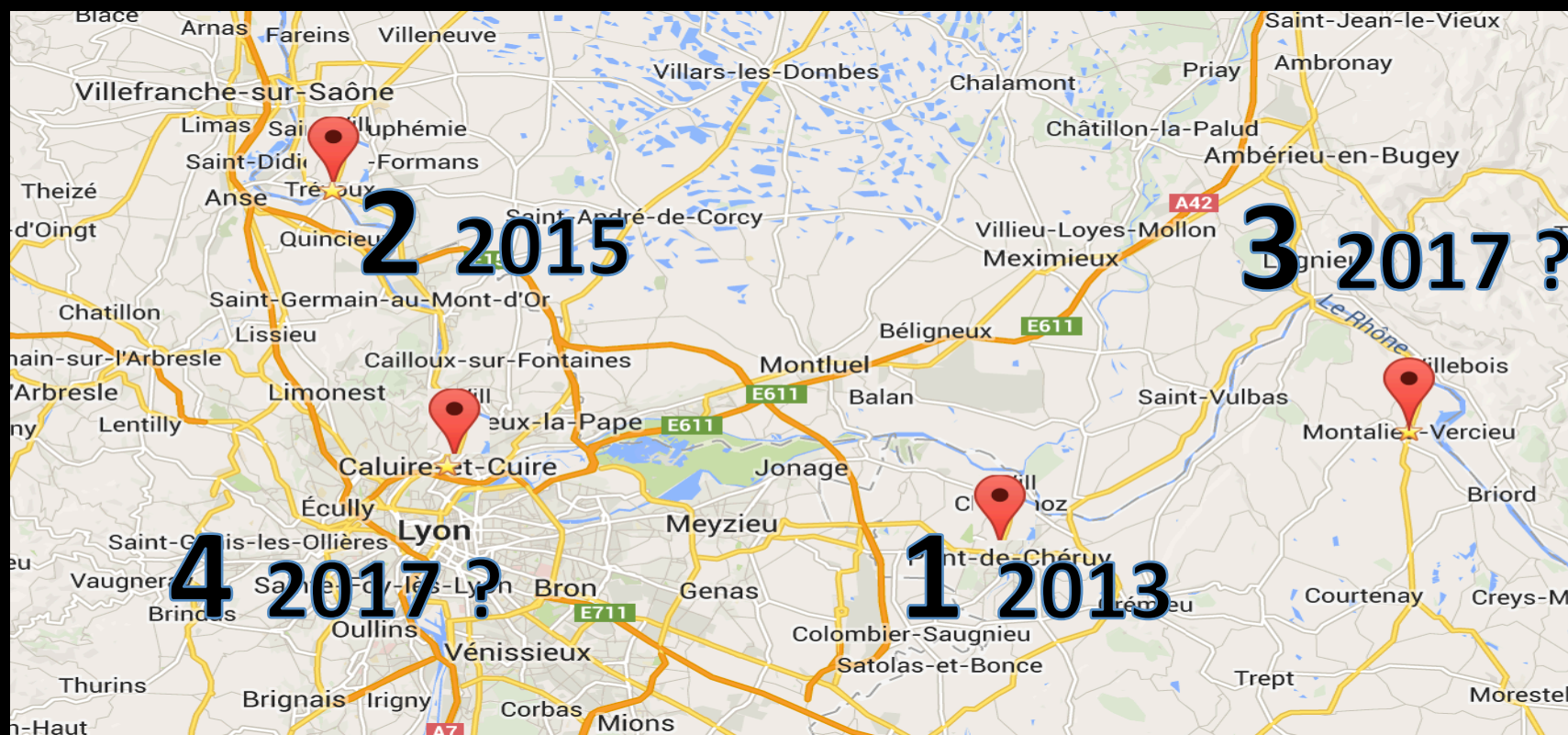
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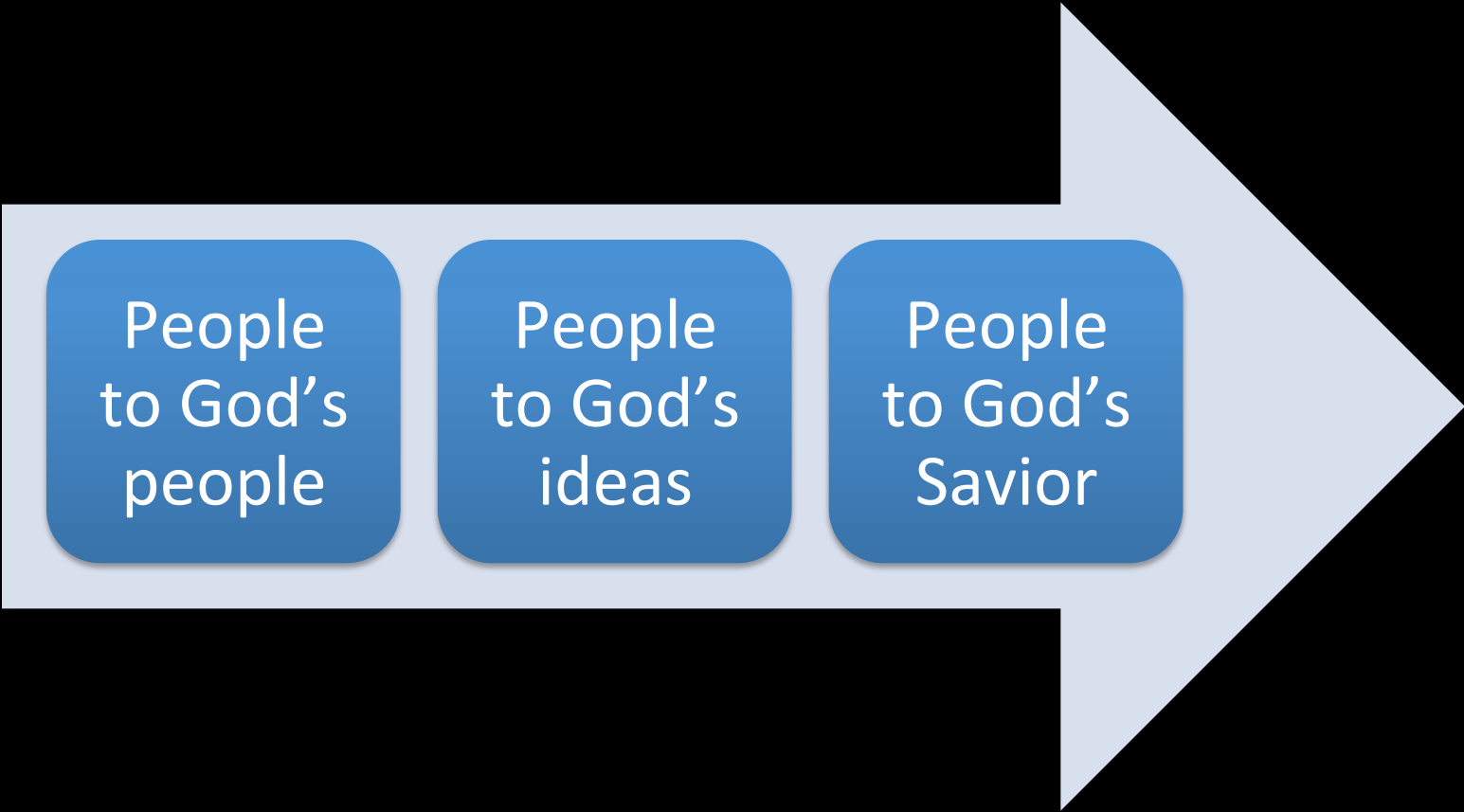


2 contemporary influences









People
to God's
people

People
to God's
ideas

People
to God's
Savior

**IDEAS TO CONNECT PEOPLE
TO GOD'S PEOPLE**

- Christmas cookies to the neighborhood
- Clothing for the needy
- Open air “kermesse”, party time for the young
- Board games evening advertised on Internet
- Family / kids’ club (neighborhood, not church)
- ...

**IDEAS TO CONNECT PEOPLE
TO GOD'S IDEA**

- 10 min speech in a restaurant or café (before dessert!)
- Burger, Beer and Bible 😊
- Multi-author conference
- “Shoot the pastor” event



Possible themes

- After death?
- Catholics and Protestants – what diff?
- Is God against religions?
- God is good and I hurt?
- Jesus did not resurrect
- What is happiness?
- Church and politics
- 2012 and the Mayas
- Gun control and the Bible 😊

**IDEAS TO CONNECT PEOPLE
TO GOD'S SAVIOR**

- 7 signs (difficult, actually 😞)
- Gospel of John:
(1) who is Jesus? (2) what does he want?
- Meta-narrative of the Bible

Best tool: the meta-narrative

- A perfect world: Genesis 1 & 2
- A broken relationship: Genesis 3 & 4
- A chosen man : Genesis 12, 17, 22
- A behavior code: Exodus 19 & Ecclesiastes 2
- A promised messiah : Isaiah 53 & Jeremiah 31

- The birth of Jesus: Luke 1 & 2
- The requirements of Jesus: John 3
- The generosity of Jesus: John 4
- The mission of Jesus: Luke 15
- The death of Jesus : Luke 23
- The resurrection of Jesus: Luke 24
- The offer of grace: Acts 3 & Ephesians 2

