

John 14:1-14

¹“Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me. ² My Father’s house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? ³ And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am.

John 14:1-14

⁴ You know the way to the place where I am going.” ⁵ Thomas said to him, “Lord, we don’t know where you are going, so how can we know the way?” ⁶ Jesus answered, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ⁷ If you really know me, you will know my Father as well. From now on, you do know him and have seen him.”

John 14:1-14

⁸ Philip said, “Lord, show us the Father and that will be enough for us.”

⁹ Jesus answered: “Don’t you know me, Philip, even after I have been among you such a long time? Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’?”

John 14:1-14

¹⁰ Don't you believe that I am in the Father, and that the Father is in me? The words I say to you I do not speak on my own authority. Rather, it is the Father, living in me, who is doing his work.

¹¹ Believe me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; or at least believe on the evidence of the works themselves.

John 14:1-14

¹² Very truly I tell you, whoever believes in me will do the works I have been doing, and they will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³ And I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴ You may ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it.

**I AM
THE WAY
THE TRUTH
THE LIFE**



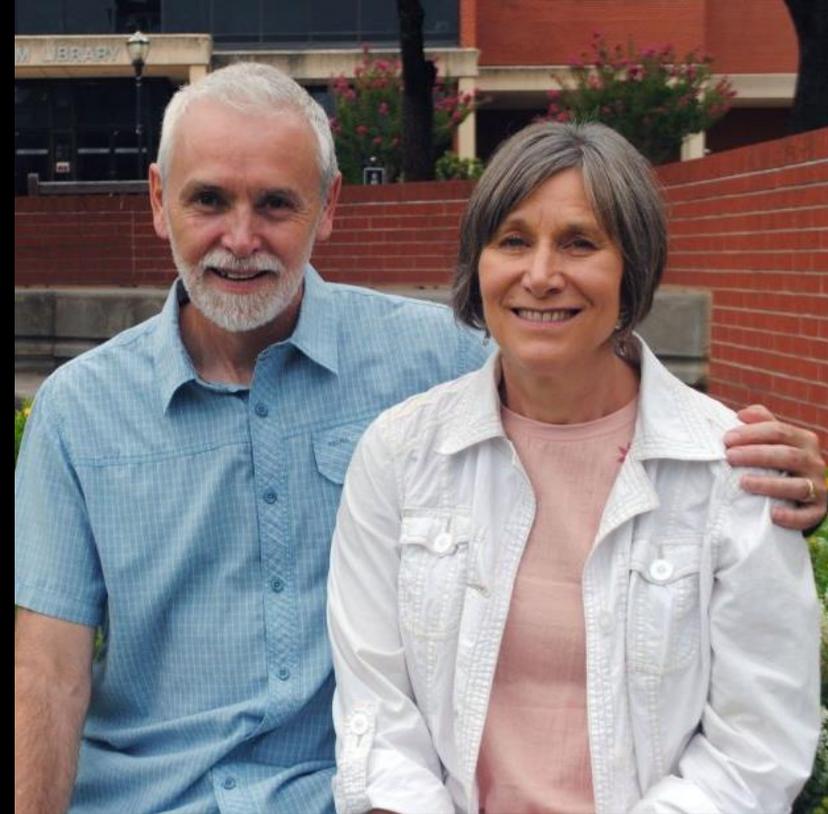
Seven “I Am” statements of Jesus

1. I am the bread of life 6:35, 48, 51
2. I am the light of the world 8:12; 9:5
3. I am the gate of the sheep 10:7, 9
4. I am the good shepherd 10:11, 14
5. I am the resurrection and the life 11:25
6. I am the way, the truth, and the life 14:6
7. I am the true vine 15:1

Missionaries in Belgium



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Deuteronomy 6:4–8 | Hearing the Word

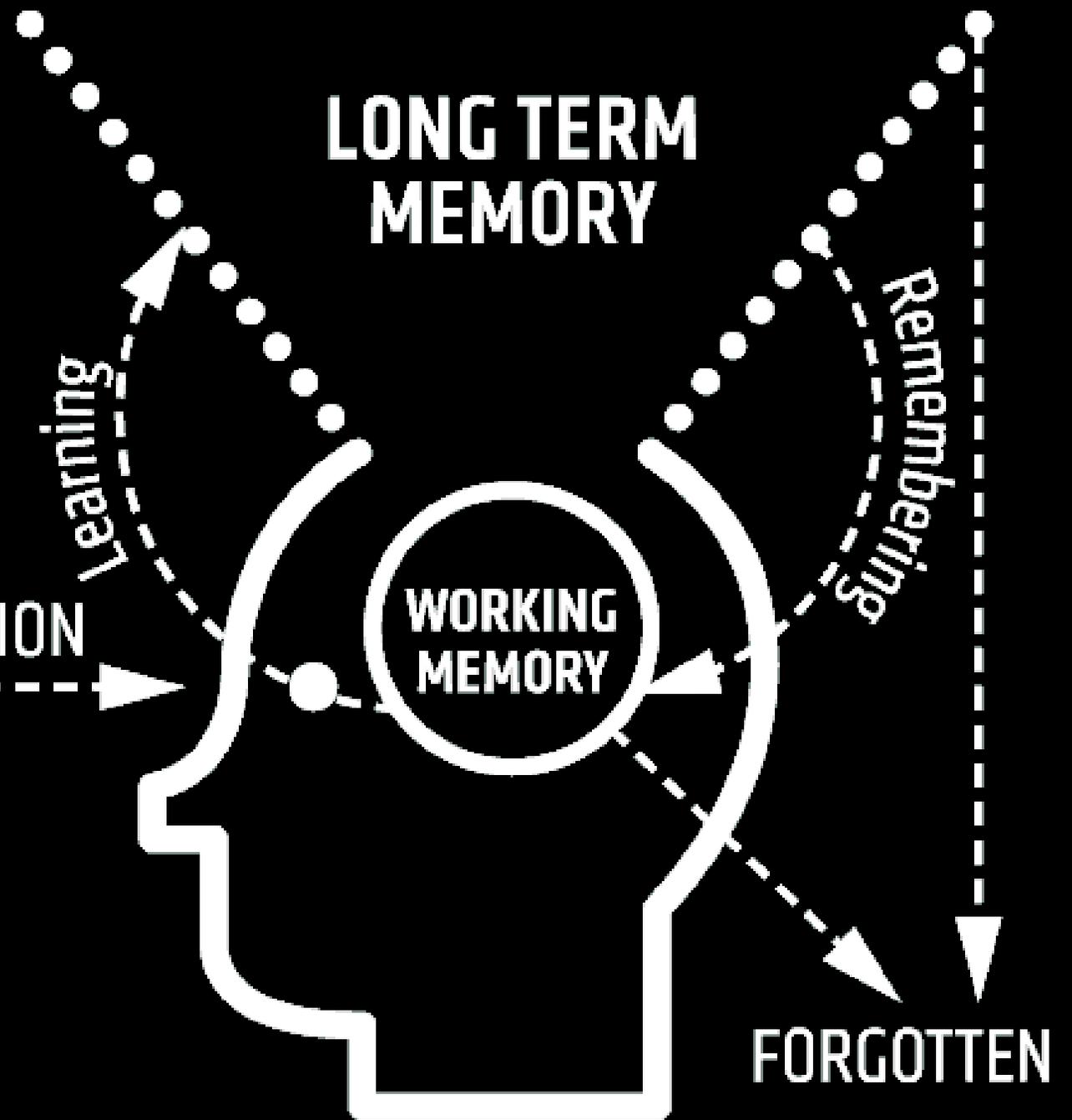
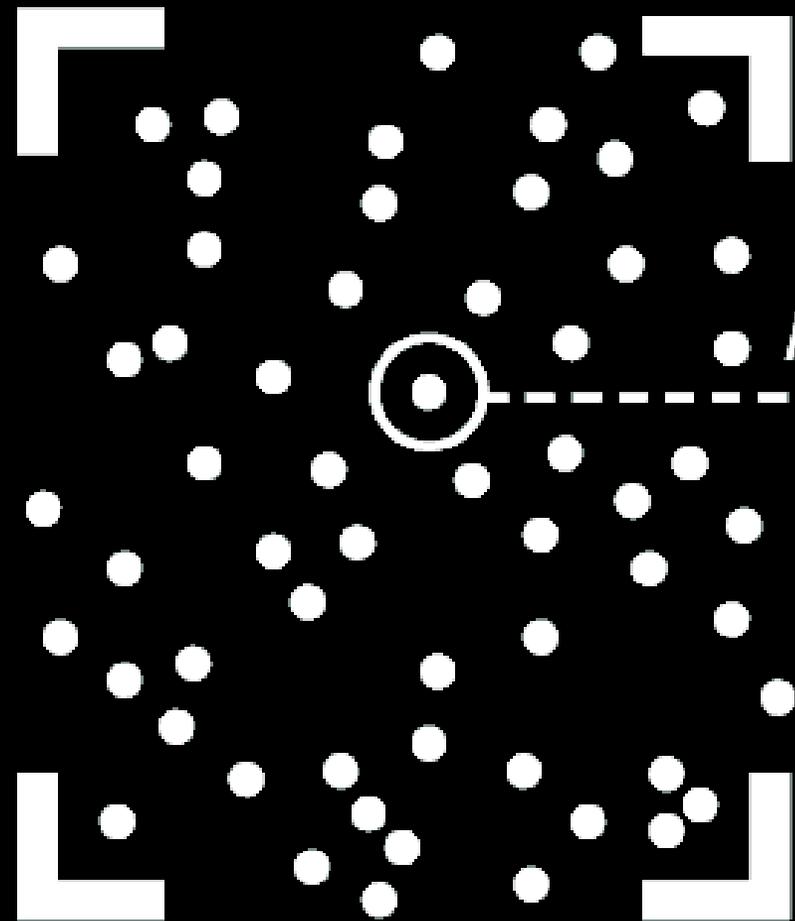
⁴ Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one.

⁵ Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength.

Deuteronomy 6:4–8 | Remembering the Word

⁶ These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. ⁷ Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. ⁸ Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads.

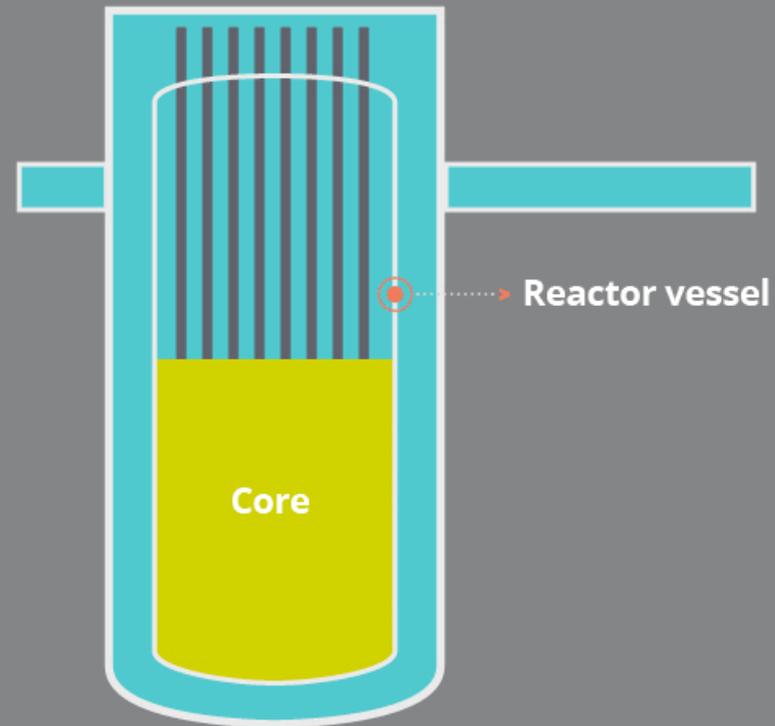
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ENVIRONMENT





THE FOUR STAGES OF A NUCLEAR MELTDOWN

1. LOSS OF COOLANT
2. REACTOR OVERHEATS
3. CORE MATERIALS MELT
4. MELTED MATERIALS BREACH REACTOR VESSEL



Jesus Does His Father's Will

John 6:38

³⁸ For I have come down from heaven not to do my will but to do the will of him who sent me.

What is His Father's Will?

John 3:16-17

¹⁶ For God so loved the world that he **gave** his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷ For God did not **send** his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.



“Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me.”

The Purpose of John's Gospel

John 20:30–31

³⁰ Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. ³¹ But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

That we might know who Jesus truly is,
and live *because of* and *according to*
His true identity.

Jesus commands the disciples
not to be troubled.

Jesus explains why they they should
not be troubled: reunion with the
Father and with the Son.

1 Thessalonians 4:13-14, 18

¹³ Brothers and sisters, we do not want you to be uninformed about those who sleep in death, so that you do not grieve like the rest of mankind, who have no hope. ¹⁴ For we believe that Jesus died and rose again, and so we believe that God will bring with Jesus those who have fallen asleep in him..

¹⁸Therefore encourage one another with these words.

The disciples know the way
to where Jesus is going.

Jesus explains that He is the
Way, Truth, and Life.

Jesus explains that there is total unity
between the Father and the Son.

Even though Jesus is to leave,
His work will continue.

Jesus will send the Helper.

Jesus says, “I Am the Way”

- ὁδός | *hodos* | way; road; path

John 10:9

“I am the gate; whoever enters through me will be saved. They will come in and go out, and find pasture.”

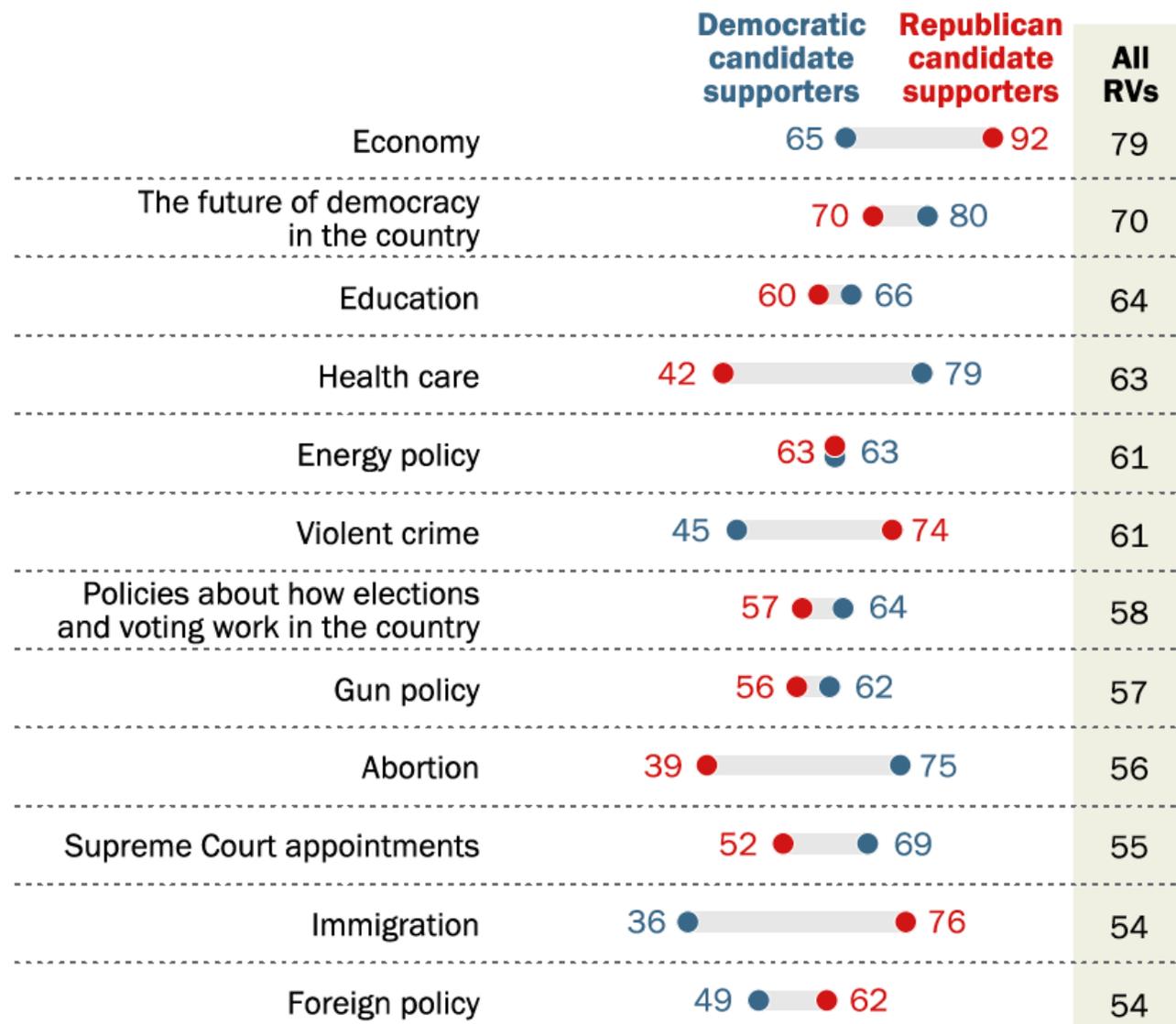
The Ways of the World

James 4:4

⁴ You adulterous people, don't you know that friendship with the world means enmity against God? Therefore, anyone who chooses to be a friend of the world becomes an enemy of God.

The economy remains the top issue for voters in the midterms

*% of registered voters who say each is **very important** to their vote in the 2022 congressional elections*



The Ways of the World

The “American Dream” Index (Forbes Magazine)

1. Bankruptcies
2. Building permits
3. Entrepreneurship
4. goods-producing employment
5. labor participation rate
6. Layoffs
7. unemployment claims

Who are you?

- Who determines the goals, priorities, and interests that will lead your path in life?

Jesus says, “I Am the Truth”

- ἀλήθεια | *aletheia* | true; truthful

John 1:1-2

¹ In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

² He was with God in the beginning.

The Wisdom of the World

- *Sola experientia*
 - Experience determines truth
 - “I am a Christian, I just don’t think X is true.”
- *Sola scriptura*
 - Truth determines experience
 - “I am a Christian, I therefore know X is true.”

The Wisdom of the World

Romans 1:21;25

²¹ For although they knew God, they neither glorified him as God nor gave thanks to him, but their thinking became futile and their foolish hearts were darkened.

²⁵ They exchanged the truth about God for a lie...

Who are you?

- How do you determine between what is true and what is false?

Jesus says, “I Am the Life”

- ζωή | *Zoe* | life

John 1:4

⁴ In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind.

Life in Christ

Matthew 16:24-25

²⁴ “Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ²⁵ For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me will find it.

Life in the Flesh

Luke 15:11-13

¹¹“There was a man who had two sons. ¹²The younger one said to his father, ‘Father, give me my share of the estate.’ So he divided his property between them.

¹³“Not long after that, the younger son got together all he had, set off for a distant country and there squandered his wealth in wild living.

Who are you?

- In pursuit of what “life” do you orient your heart, soul, mind, and strength?



Art thou afraid his power shall fail
When comes thy evil day?
Yet can an all-creating arm
Grow weary or decay?