



Values

We value Christ (1)

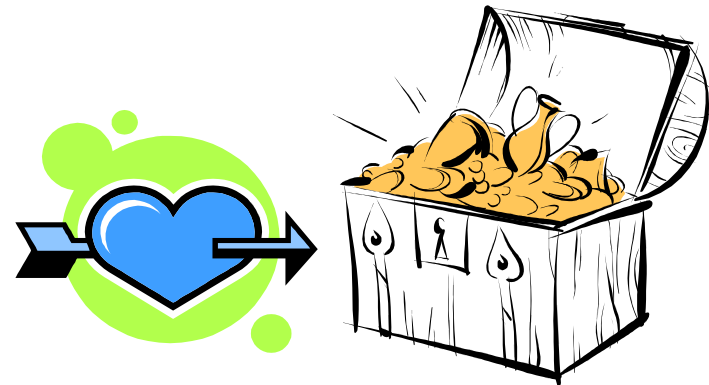
# [ A new series: our values ]

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- Values matter
  - Beliefs and behaviour are important, but ...
    - Beliefs can become dogmatic
    - Beliefs don't necessarily distinguish clearly
    - Behaviour can be "right", but entirely miss the point.

# [ A new series: our values ]

- Values matter
  - What we value determines what we live for (Matthew 6v21)
    - “Your heart will always be where your treasure is” (CEV)



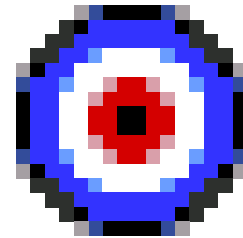
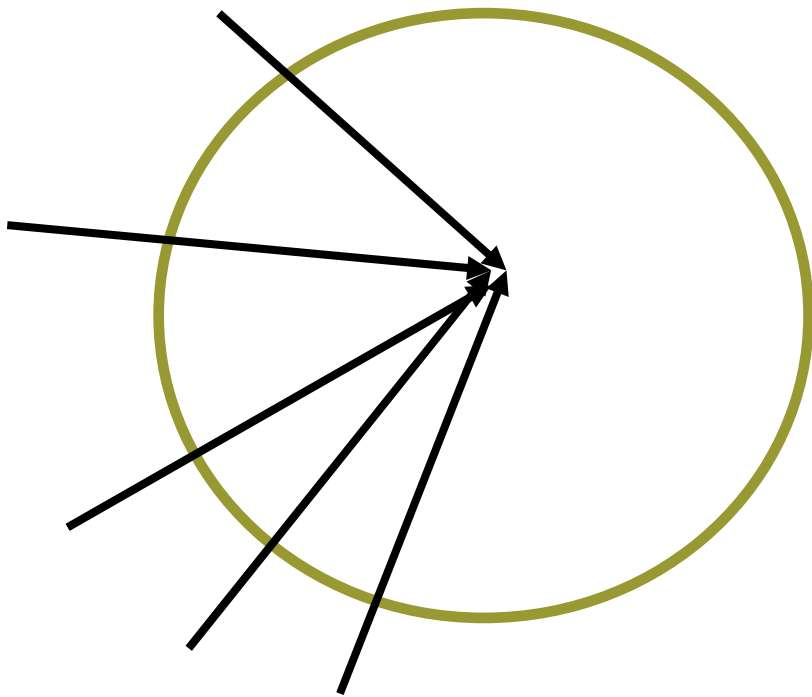
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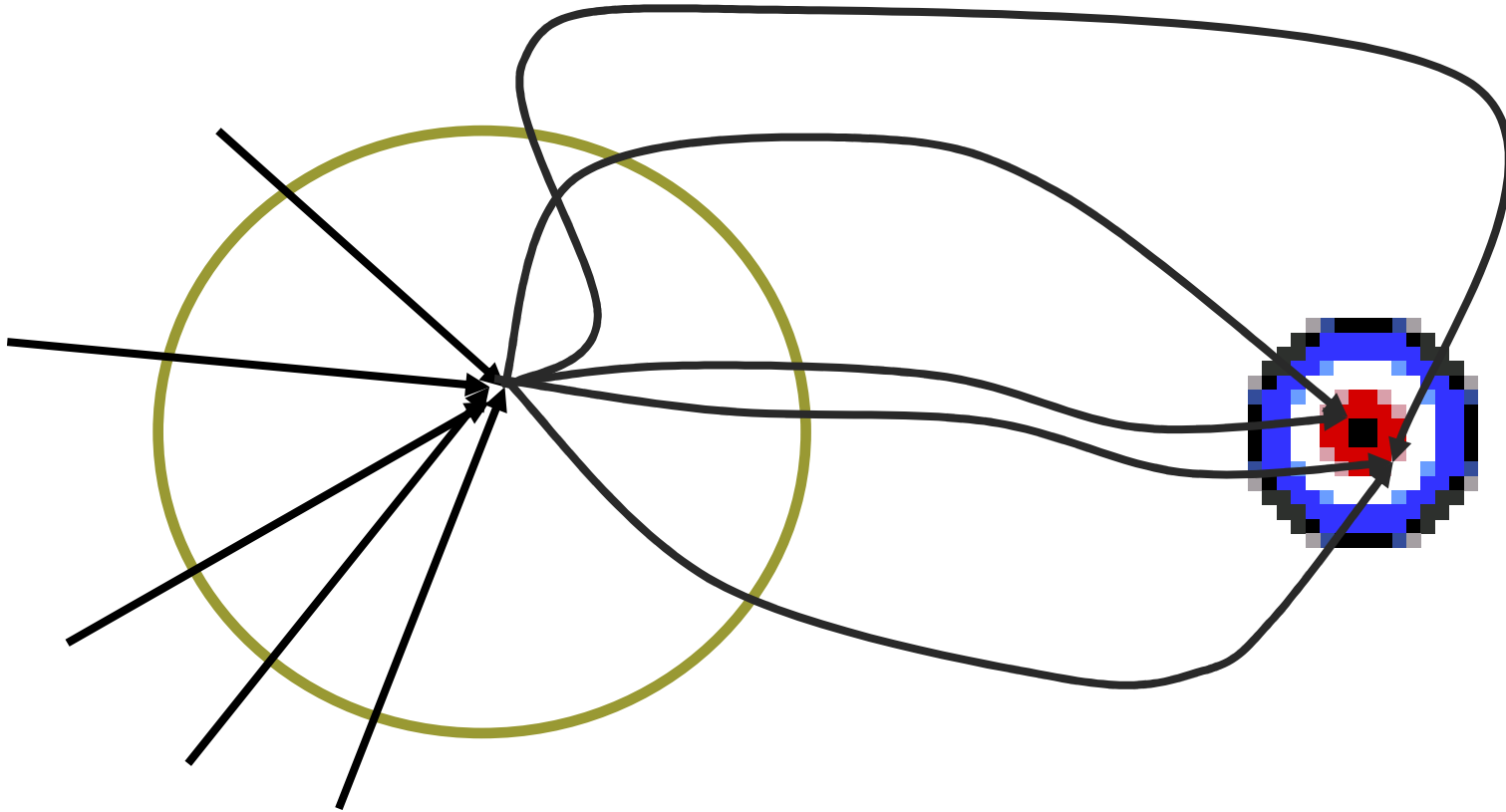
- Values matter
  - Shared values result in a coherent family
    - We are aligned rather than just agreed.

# [ Agreement ]

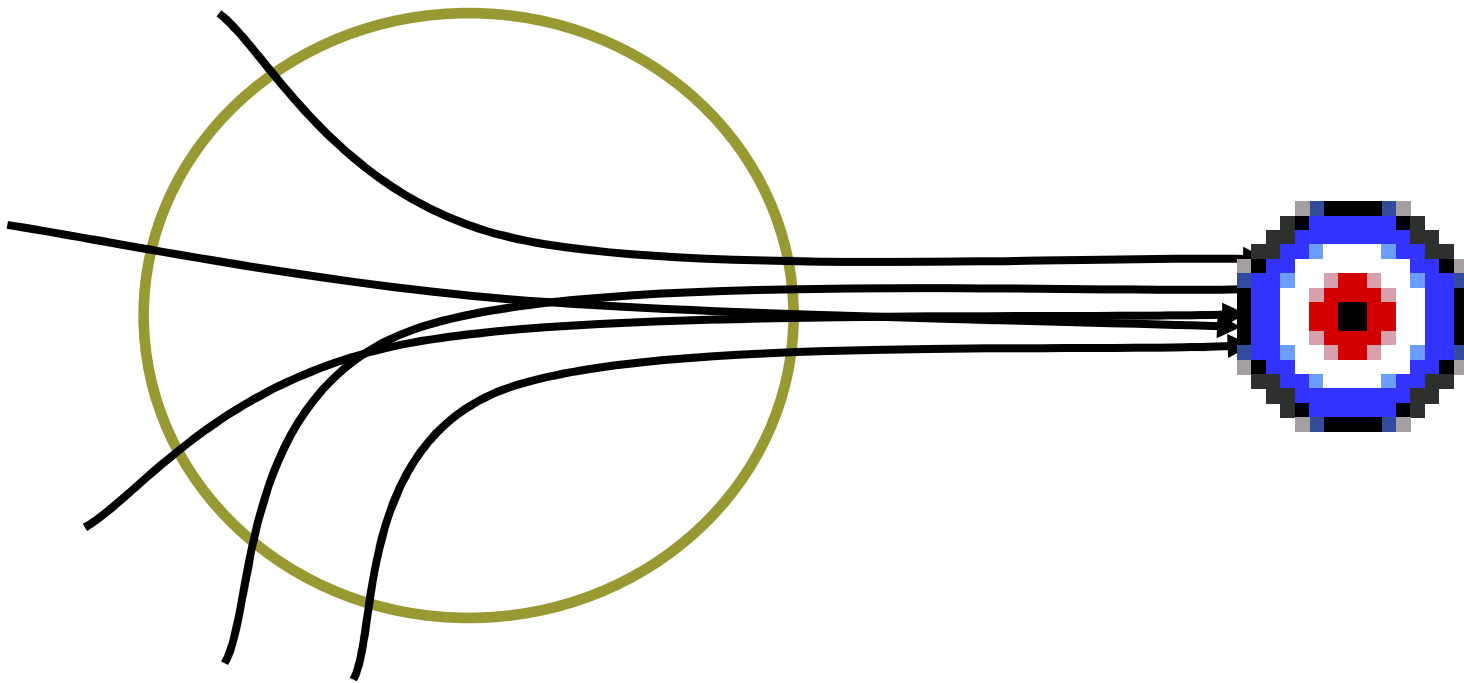
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# [ Agreement ]



# [ Alignment ]



# [ A very important aside ]

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- It goes without saying that we value the bible.
  - It is our ultimate reference
  - The source book

# [ We value Christ (Ephesians 1) ]

- In Christ is new life
  - God never wanted us to be lost (v4)
  - God made a way for us to be forgiven, restored, set free (v7-8)
    - Christ has done it all, our choice is to believe, repent and be baptised

# [ We value Christ (Ephesians 1) ]

- In Christ is true life
  - A relationship with him
    - The bible (again!)
    - Personal prayer
    - What's he up to?

# [ We value Christ (Ephesians 1) ]

- In Christ is how we live
  - We seek to live in the reality of verse 10
    - Our thoughts in Christ.
    - Our words in Christ.
    - Our attitudes in Christ.
    - Our worship in Christ.
    - Our daily work in Christ.
    - Our family life in Christ.

Conclusion 2



We value Christ

The only one worth pursuing