

# the WORLD

**1** How in the world did we get here?

**2** What in the world is wrong?

**3** Where in the world are you?

**4** In the world but not of the world

**5** Who in the world is right?

**6** Why in the world am I here?

**7** Where in the world should I go?



1 It is only a theory

2 It involves a lot of "guesswork"

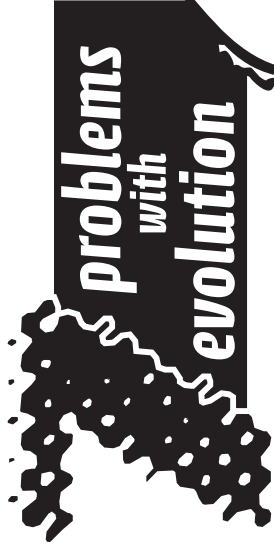
3 The "missing links" are still missing

4 The Earth is not that old

5 No explanation for animal graveyards

6 Darwin and others weren't convinced

7 It tries to explain life without God



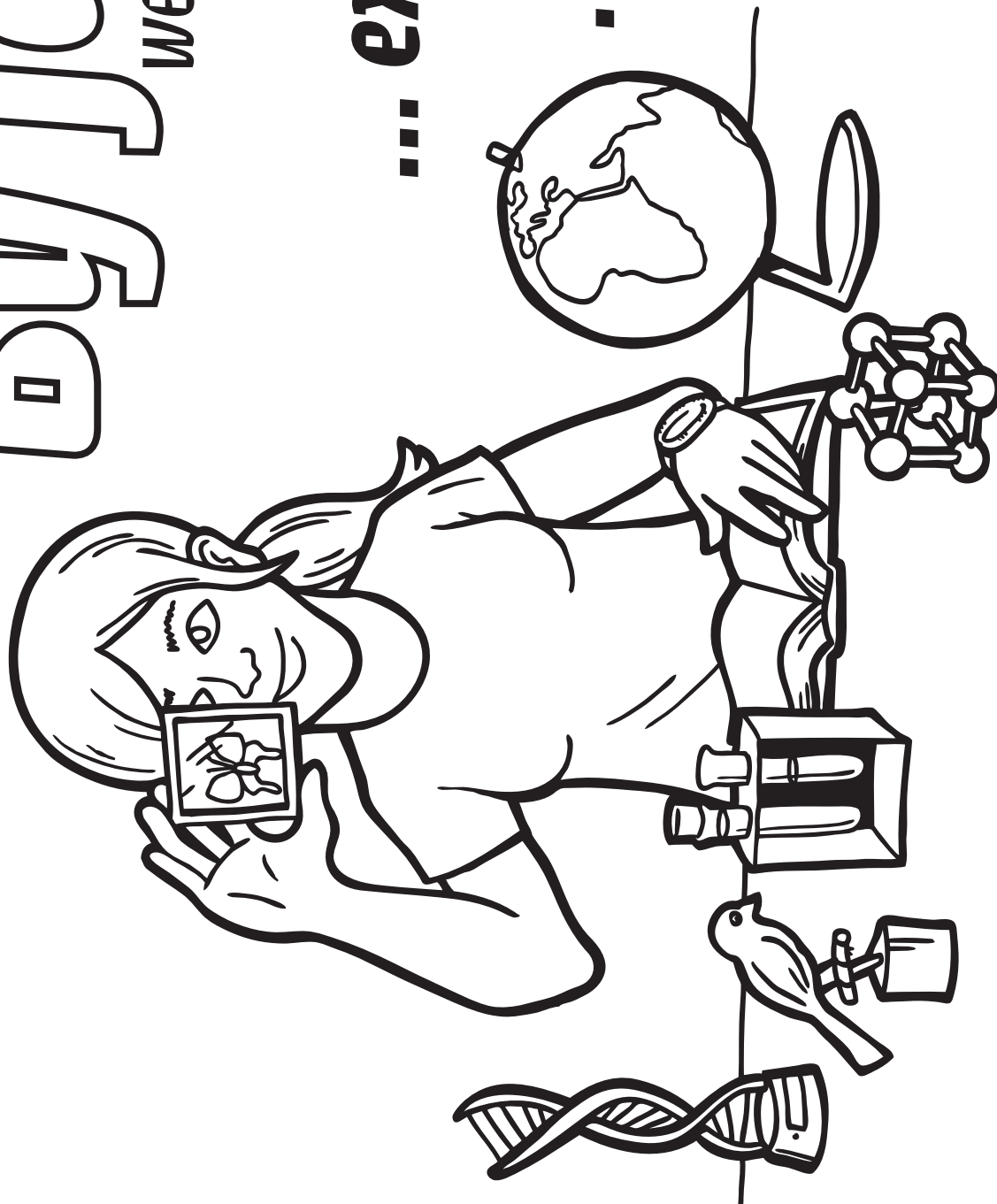
# By faith

*we believe that God ...*

**... exists**

**... has spoken**

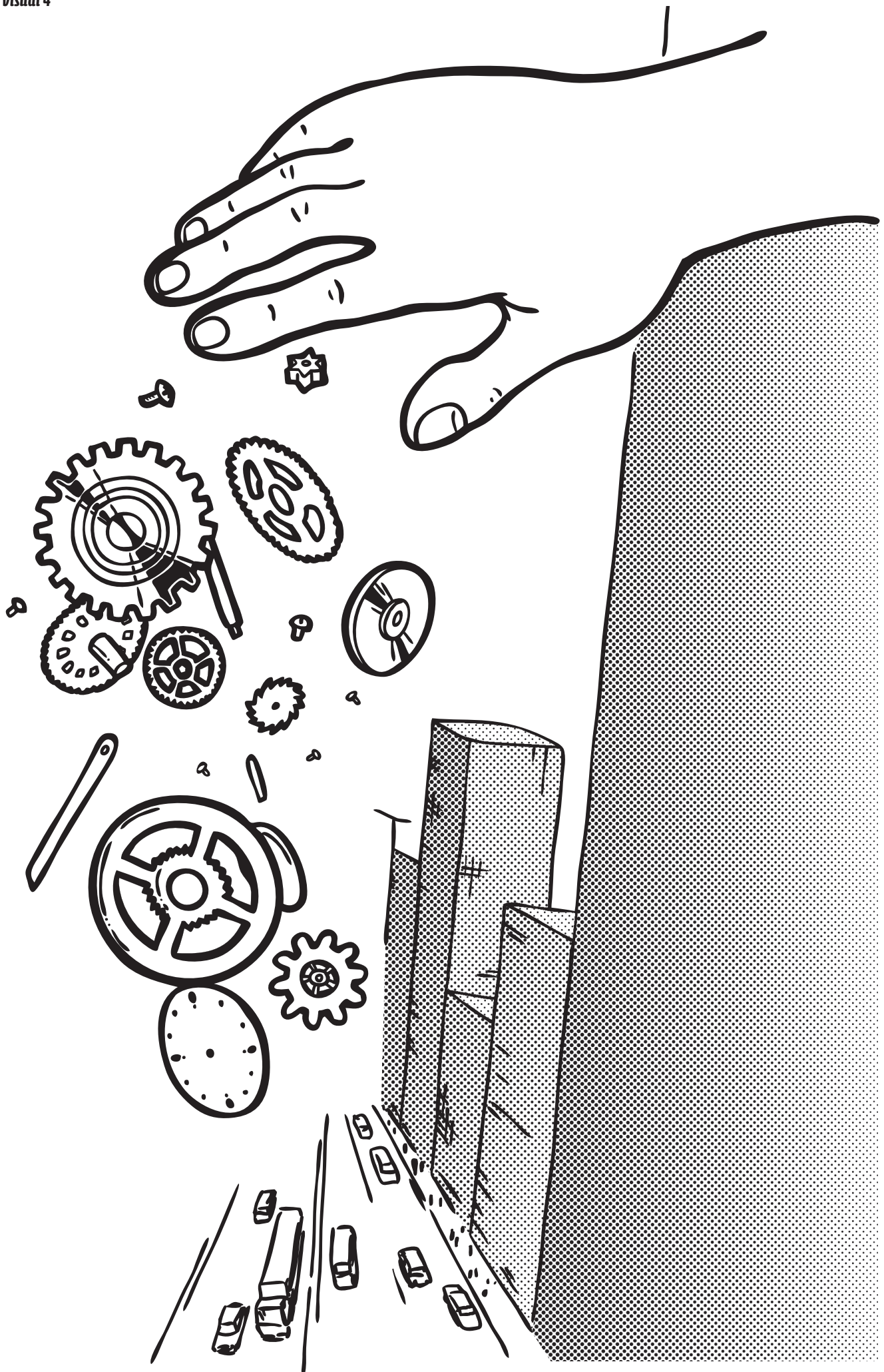
**... created  
all things**



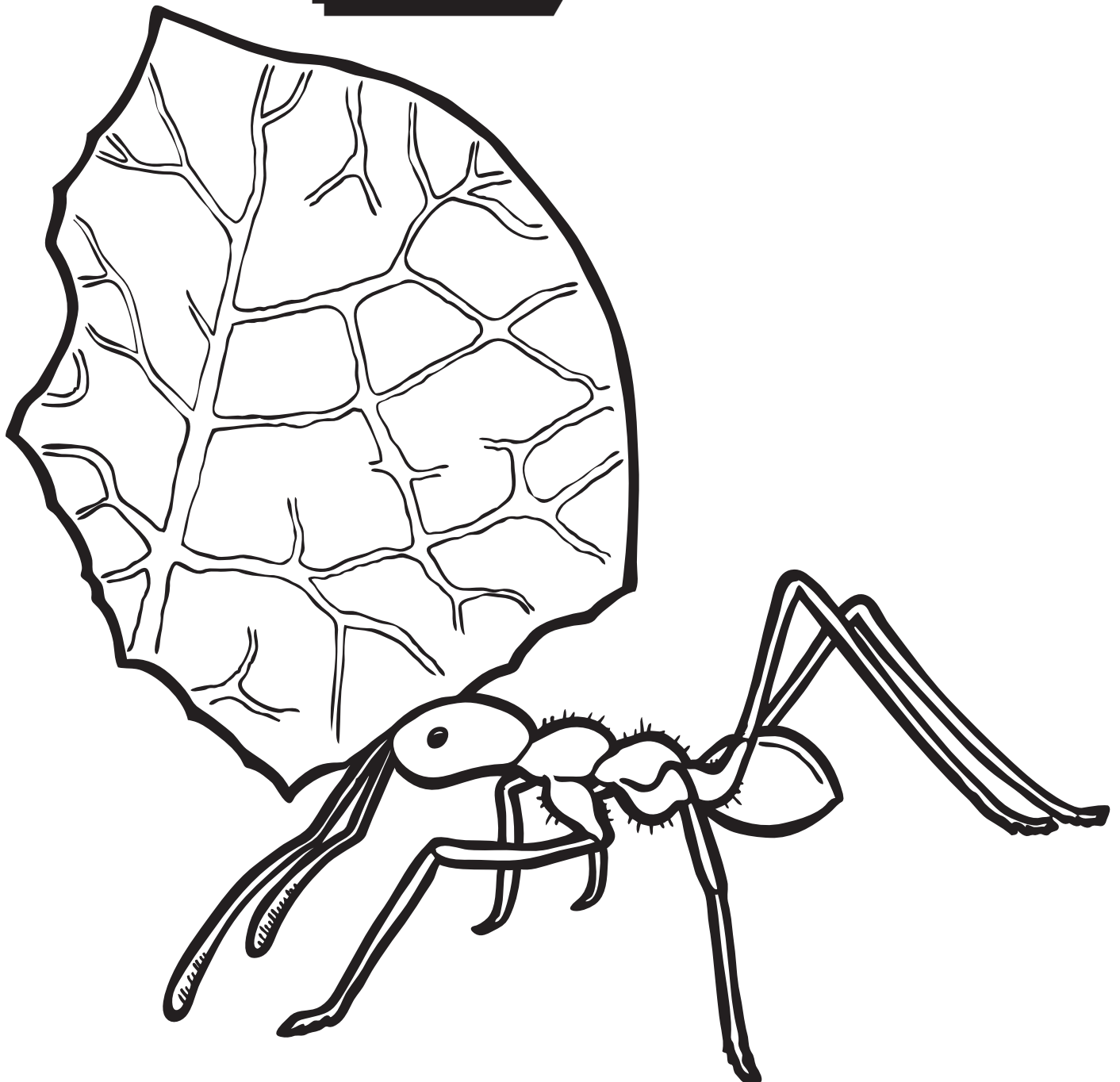
# 7 days of creation



|          |                          |   |
|----------|--------------------------|---|
| <b>1</b> | Light and dark           | ✓ |
| <b>2</b> | Sea and sky              | ✓ |
| <b>3</b> | Fertile earth            | ✓ |
| <b>4</b> | Lights of day and night  | ✓ |
| <b>5</b> | Fish and birds           | ✓ |
| <b>6</b> | Land animals and mankind | ✓ |
| <b>7</b> | Rest and enjoyment       | ✓ |



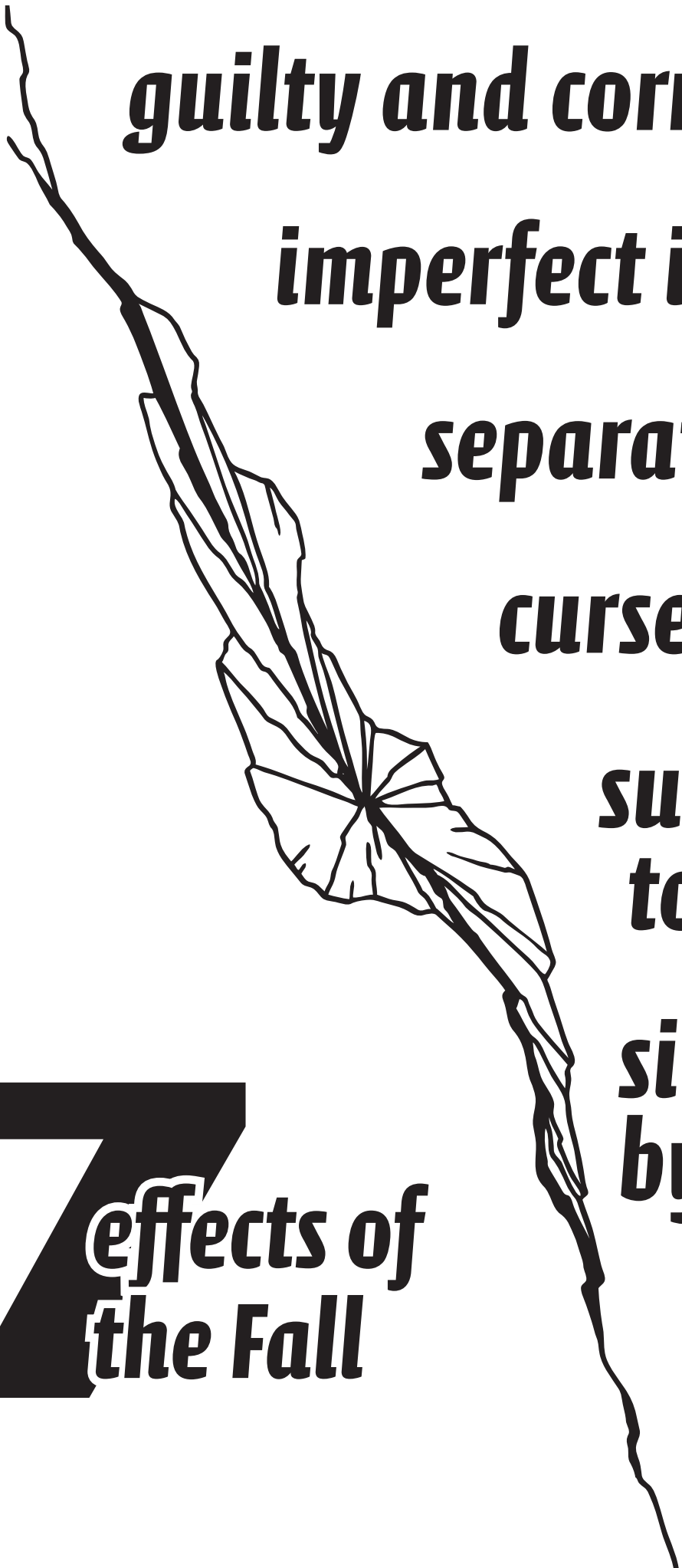
**5**  
***amazing creations!***





# What in the world? IS WRONG?





***guilty and corrupt***  
***imperfect image***  
***separated***  
***cursed***

***subject  
to death***

***sinner  
by nature***

***in need  
of grace***

**7**  
***effects of  
the Fall***



# **Eve's** **5 BIG** mistakes



**1. listened**

**2. looked**

**3. longed for**

**4. took and ate**

**5. involved others**





*A love for God*

*A hunger for God's  
Word and prayer*

*An eagerness to  
serve the Lord*

*A desire to meet with  
other Christians*



**IN** the world but  
not **OF** the world



# THE WORLD SAYS: GOD'S WORD SAYS:

*You will only get on in life if you are prepared to lie, cheat and steal.*

**Proverbs 12:22; Ephesians 4:25**

*We should not lie but always tell the truth.  
The Christian should be someone who can be trusted.*

*Drinking, smoking and taking drugs is cool  
– just do whatever you enjoy.*

**1 Corinthians 6:19-20; Galatians 5:19-21**

*Your body belongs to God, so you should be careful to look after it.*

*Bad language is normal – everyone uses it these days!*

**Exodus 20:7; Ephesians 4:29**

*Bad language is an offence to God and harmful to others.*

*Be selfish – look after “Number One”!*

**Philippians 2:4; Luke 6:31**

*As Christians we should be considerate to other people and treat them as we would like to be treated.*

*Sex outside marriage is OK.*

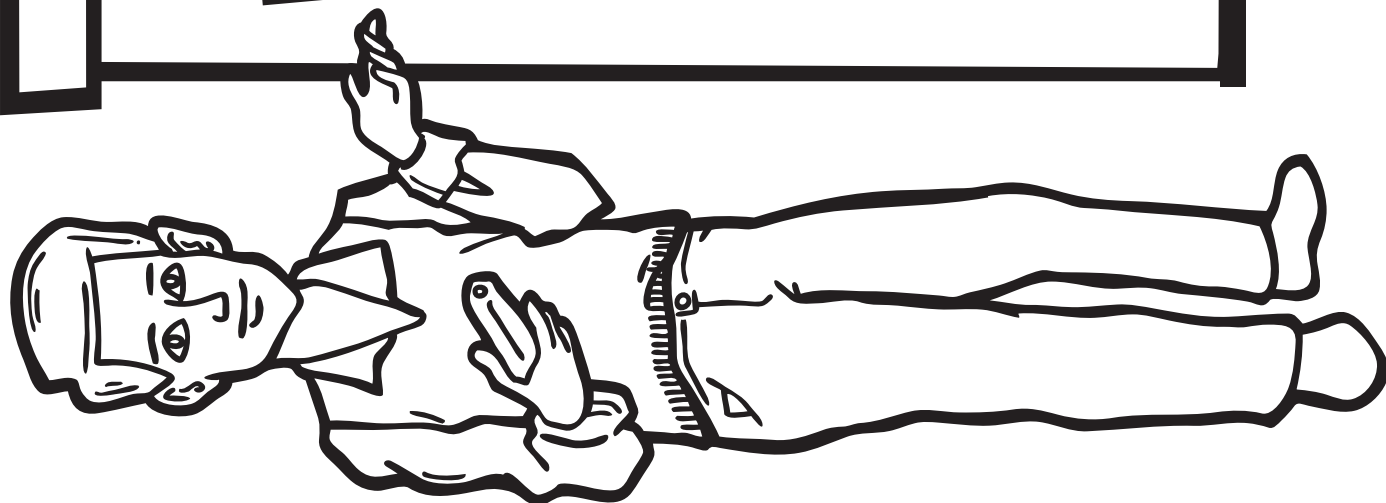
**Genesis 2:24; 1 Corinthians 6:18**

*God's plan for sex is within marriage only.  
Christians should stay away from sexual immorality.*

*It doesn't matter what you watch on TV, what magazines you read,  
what Web sites you visit or what music you listen to.*

**Philippians 4:8; Galatians 5:16**

*As Christians we must guard our minds. Do the programmes you watch, the music you listen to, the Web sites you visit and the magazines you read measure up to these verses?*



# What is **sanctification?**

*It affects:*

***mind   heart   will***



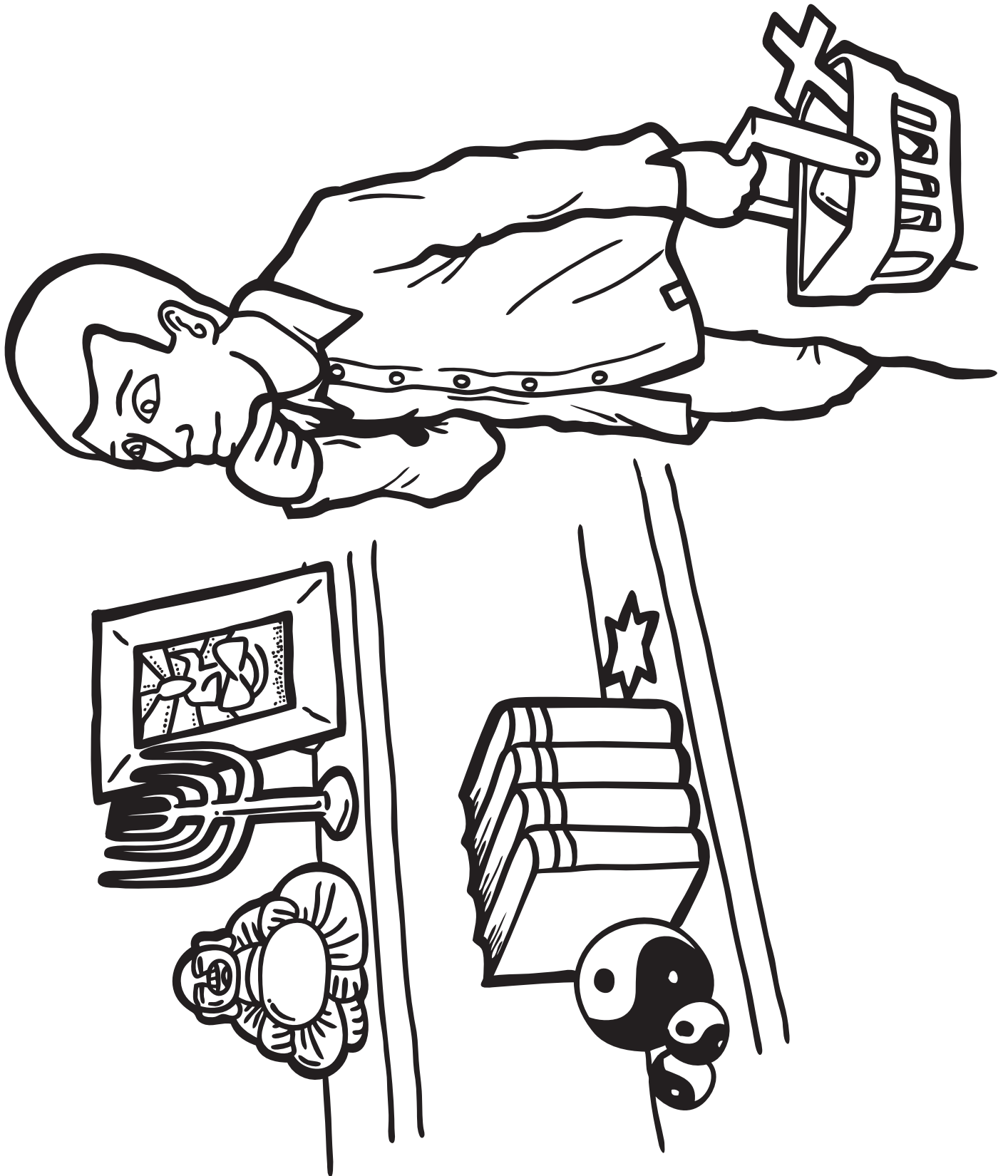


# Reading God's Word

## Prayer

## Discipline





# **What *CHRISTIANS* believe**



***There is one God who is a Trinity.***



***The Lord Jesus Christ is God and lived a perfect life.***



***We are sinful, and therefore separated from God.***



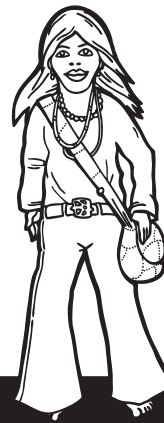
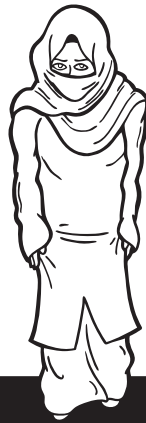
***The Lord Jesus Christ died and rose again.***



***The only way of salvation is through faith in Jesus Christ.***



***Heaven and Hell are real places - no second chance after death.***



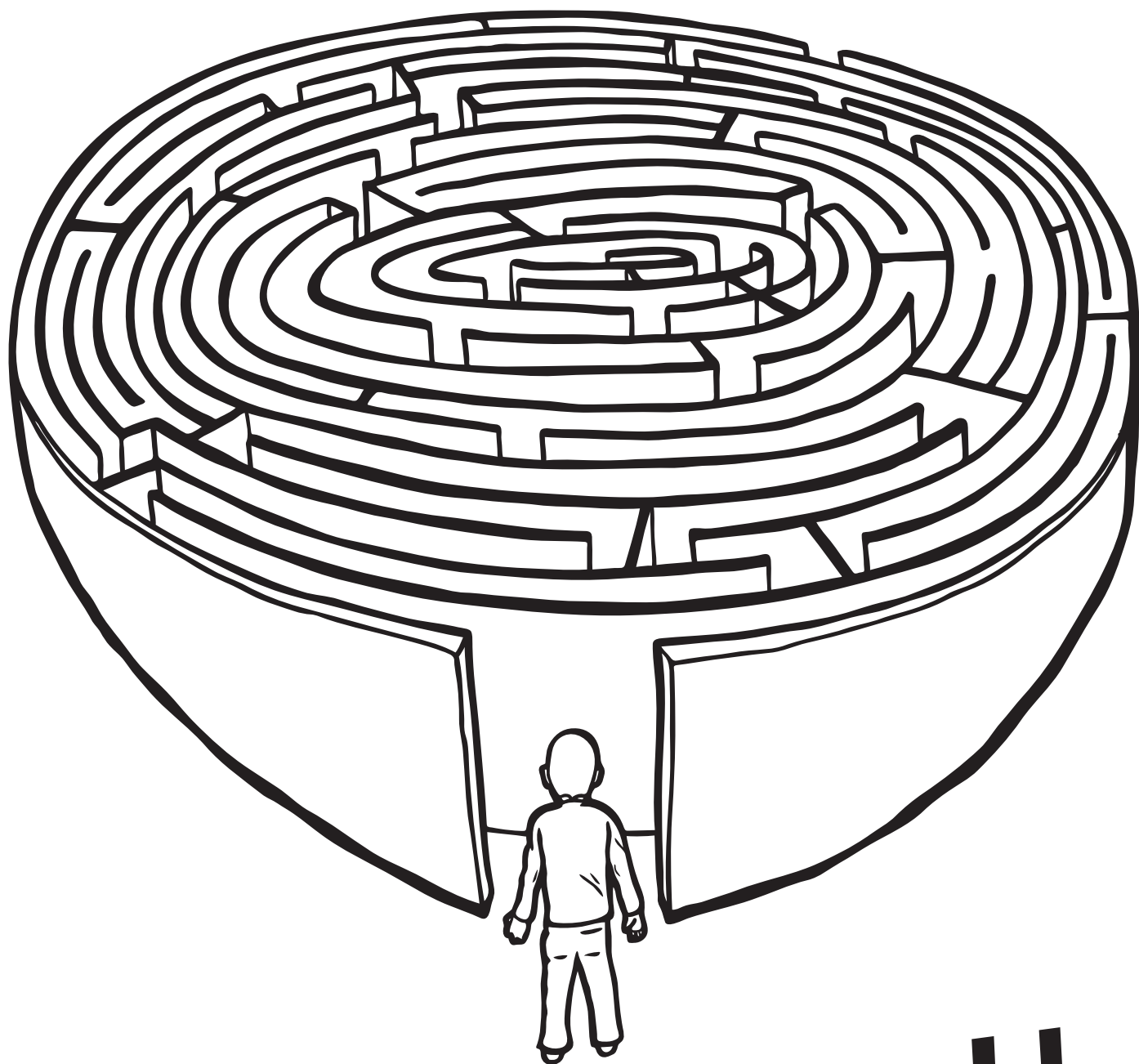
| <b>Biblical truth</b>   | <b>Roman Catholicism</b> | <b>Islam (Muslims)</b> | <b>New Age movement</b> | <b>Jehovah's Witnesses</b> |
|---|--------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>The Bible is the only source of authority.</b>                               |                          |                        |                         |                            |
| <b>There is one God who is a Trinity.</b>                                       |                          |                        |                         |                            |
| <b>Jesus is God.</b>  |                          |                        |                         |                            |
| <b>All people are sinful.</b>   |                          |                        |                         |                            |
| <b>The Lord Jesus died and rose again.</b>                                      |                          |                        |                         |                            |
| <b>Salvation by faith in Christ alone.</b>                                      |                          |                        |                         |                            |
| <b>Heaven and Hell are real places - there is no second chance after death.</b> |                          |                        |                         |                            |

# WHY IN THE WORLD AM I HERE?





- **God commands us**
- **People are waiting**
- **Who will go?**
- **Go now**
- **Go in the future**
- **Count the cost**
- **Experience the blessing**



**Where in the world  
should I go?**





# How God guided the **early Christians**

**Acts 8:1-4**

Through circumstances which God allowed.

**Acts 9:38**

Through an invitation from other believers.

**Acts 11:22**

Through the action of a local church.

**Acts 13:2**

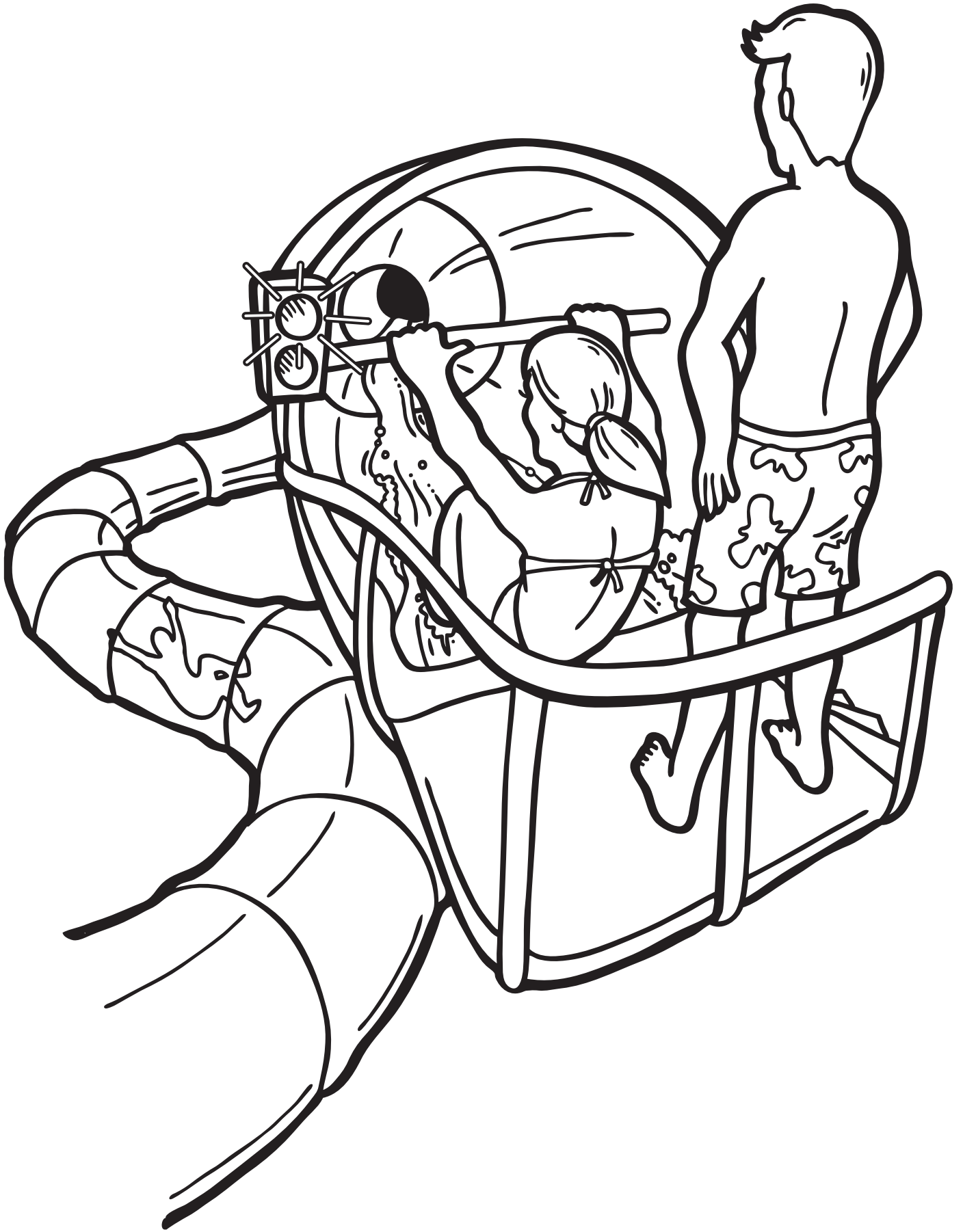
Through the revelation of the Holy Spirit.

**Acts 15:36**

Through responsible planning and common sense.

**Acts 15:40**

Through the confirmation of Christian leaders.



# **GOD GUIDES TODAY WHEN ...**

***... I am living close to Him.***

***... I am totally committed to His will.***

***... I have a teachable attitude.***

***... I recognise the gifts I possess.***

***... I am sensitive to His leading.***

