

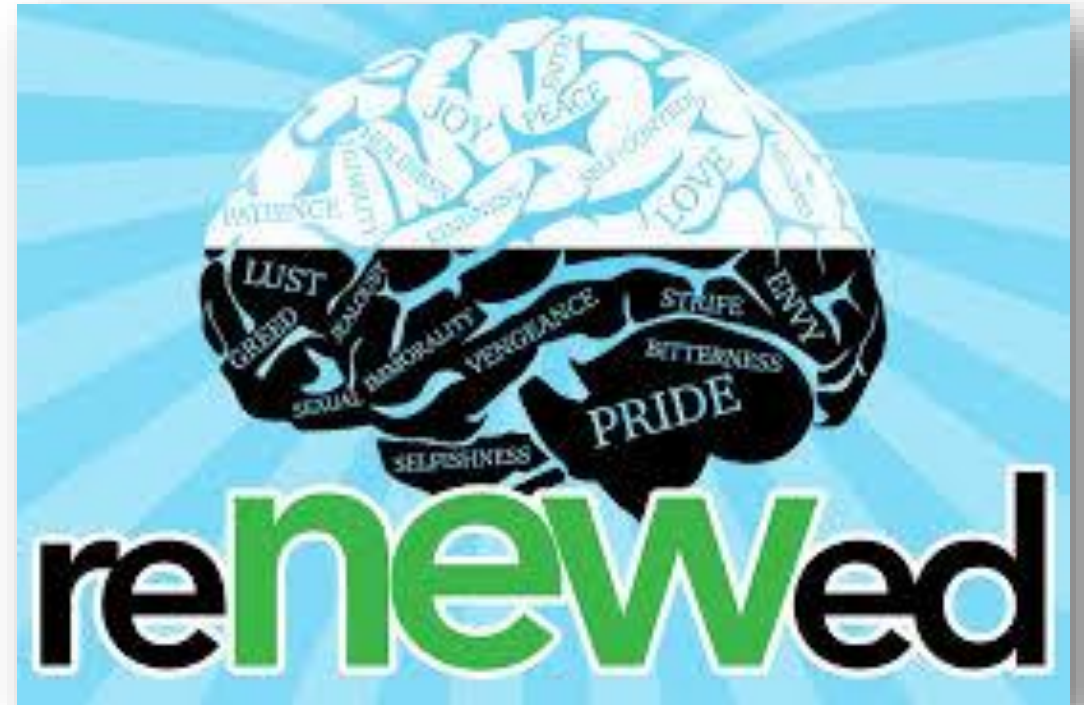


## MESSAGE 2:

**Life on the unknown path: Breaking  
out of 'old creation' mind-sets**

# What else might we need to renew?

“Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God’s mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship. Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but ***be transformed by the renewing of your mind***. Then you will be able to test and approve what God’s will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.” ROMANS 12:1-3



# Contrasting the Fruit of a Carnal V Renewed Mind

## **Carnal Mindedness**

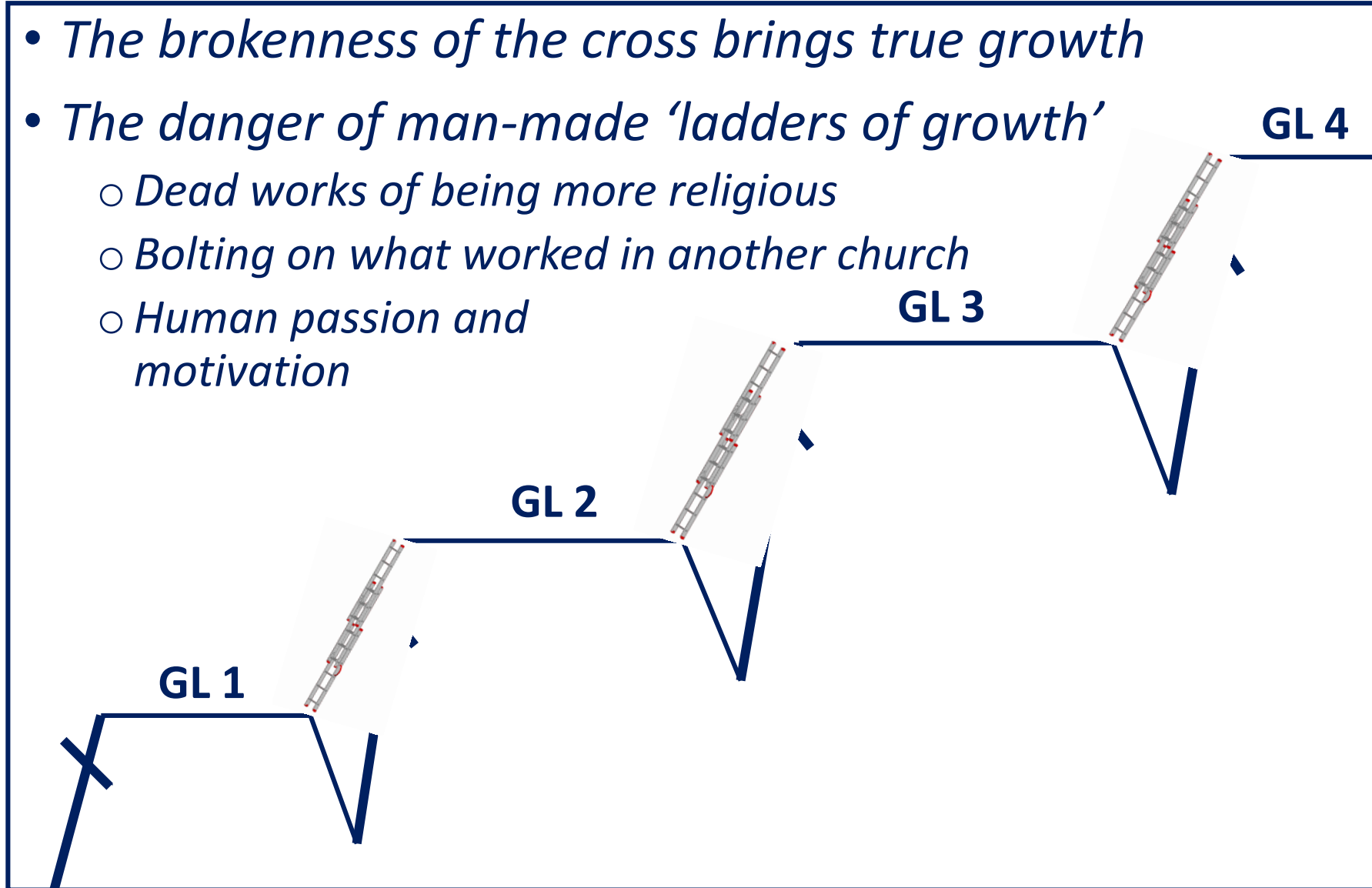
- Calculated, reserved, suspicious
- Given to emotional ups & downs
- Inconsistent, unreliable, moody
- Often play with sinful thoughts
- Biblically opinionated or unsure
- Pray but lean on my own understanding
- Spectator, too 'dignified'

## **Renewed Mindedness**

- Warm, serving, open demeanour
- Emotionally balanced
- Endure with joy and tenacity
- Thought-life harnessed
- Biblically but meekly well-informed
- Revelation of Spirit co-dependence
- Worships deeply and gratefully

# The Pathway to Growth

- *The brokenness of the cross brings true growth*
- *The danger of man-made 'ladders of growth'*
  - *Dead works of being more religious*
  - *Bolting on what worked in another church*
  - *Human passion and motivation*



# How prepared am I to do some kingdom violence today?

“The law and the prophets were until John: from that time the gospel of the kingdom of God is preached, and every man enters violently into it.” LUKE 16:16







## What will I choose today?

- “For to set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace.”  
ROMANS 8:6
- “Why do you call me ‘Lord, Lord’, but do not do what I say?”  
LUKE 6:46

# The 4 expressions of the flesh

Expression	Success rate of conquering it alone	Method
<b>SIN</b>	<b>HIGH</b>	Repentance & grace by faith
<b>SELFISHNESS</b>	<b>MEDIUM</b>	Repentance & grace by faith/ discipleship
<b>SELF RIGHTEOUSNESS PRIDES + JUDGEMENTS</b>	<b>LOW/MEDIUM</b>	Repentance & grace by faith/ deep discipleship
<b>WOUNDS THAT CAUSE NEGATIVE BELIEFS</b>	<b>LOW</b>	Special ministry to create a Truth Encounter



## The source of contention ~ Pride

***'Only by pride comes contention...'***

PROVERBS 13:10



# Different expressions of Pride

Arrogance;  
Haughtiness;  
Judging;  
anger; being  
puffed up etc

## Forms of Pride



Fears including failure;  
Feeling: Useless;  
Rejected; Abandoned;  
Mediocre; Timid;  
Condemned; etc

**PRIDE = Trusting my own opinion (or those of another) above God's Word about me.**

# The 'torture' of Un-forgiveness in Matthew 18:34

## Un-forgiveness is torture too:

- Wounds that won't heal
- Anger that won't subside
- Impoverishment that never ends
- Paranoia that won't allow rest
- Bitterness that won't go away
- Wasted moments that won't return

