

*WHAT THE
KINGDOM
ISN'T*



IT'S **NOT** FOR SPECTATORS

IT'S **NOT** MATERIALISM IN THE SKY

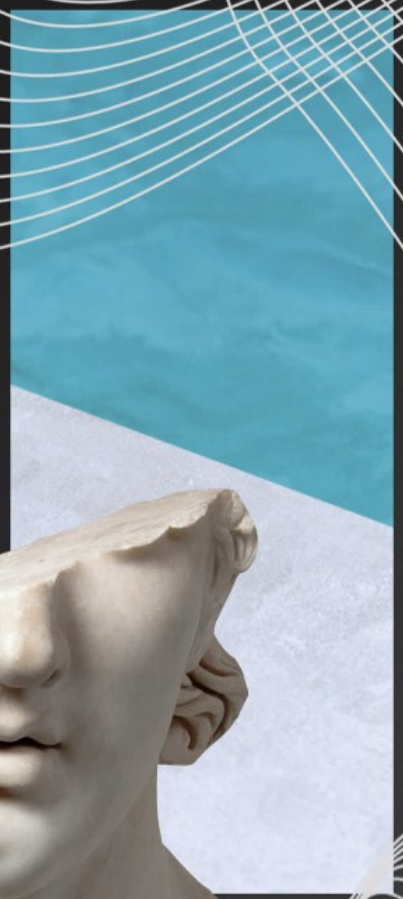
IT'S **NOT** TEDIOUS OBLIGATION

IT'S **NOT** AN IMPRESSIVE STATUS

*IT'S NOT
RIDING OFF
INTO THE SUNSET*

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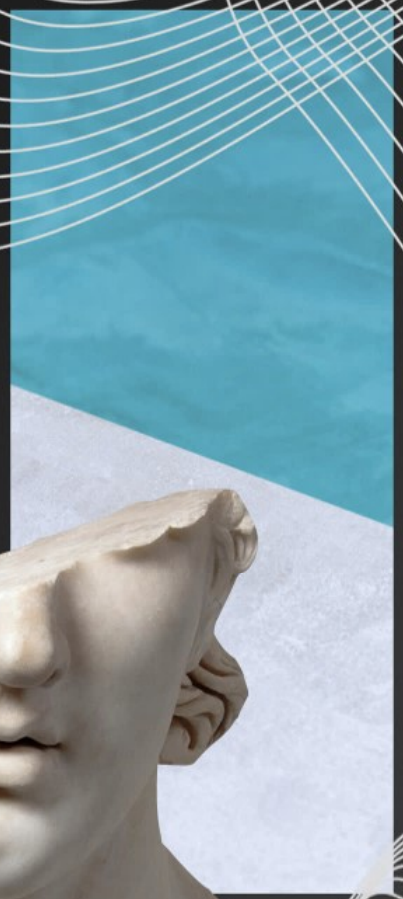
JOHN 21:18-19

“Very truly I tell you, when you were younger you dressed yourself and went where you wanted; but when you are old you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will dress you and lead you where you do not want to go.”

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Jesus said this to indicate the kind of death by which Peter would glorify God. Then he said to him, “Follow me!”

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**TEAM USE YOUR MIND
AND FOLLOW CHRIST**

Thomas Aquinas



St. Augustine

Martin Luther

René Descartes

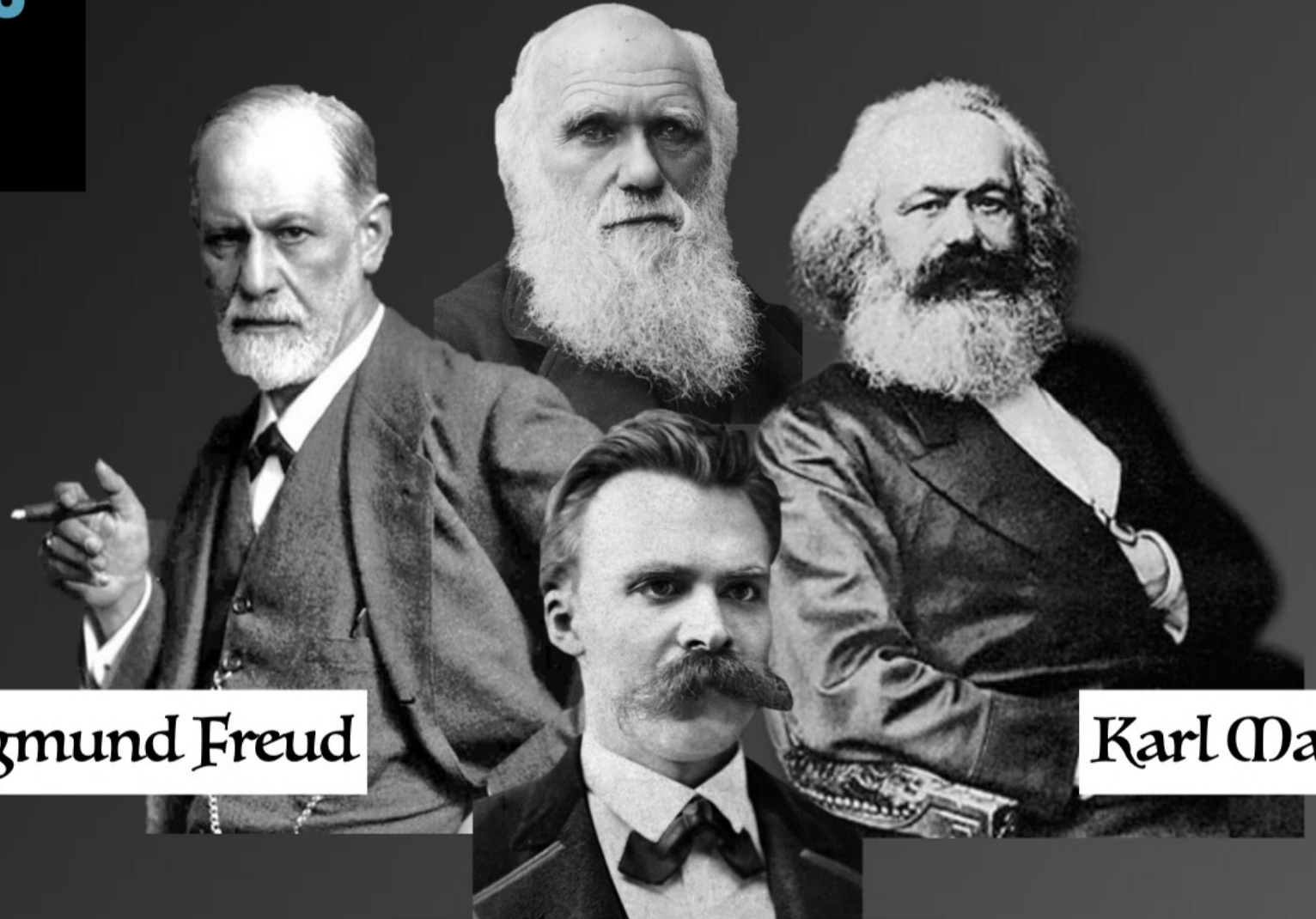
**TEAM LEAVE THE FETTERS
OF RELIGION BEHIND**

Charles Darwin

Sigmund Freud

Karl Marx

Friedrich Nietzsche





St. Augustine

“You have made us for yourself,
O Lord, and our hearts are
restless until they rest in you.”

AUGUSTINIAN MAP

THE CONDITION

Human beings were created in love and for love. We're lovers first and thinkers second. We live primarily from desire, not our rational minds.

THE REJECTION

We love the wrong things OR the right things in the wrong order—St. Augustine called this “Disordered Desires”

THE SOLUTION

Say yes to the right desires in the right order by submitting your life to *a trusted external source of authority*, namely Jesus



Sigmund Freud

“Unexpressed emotions will never die. They are buried alive and will come forth later in uglier ways.”

FREUDIAN MAP

THE CONDITION

Human beings evolved from an undirected process of random mutation and adaptation. Our greatest impulse and desire is seeking pleasure.

THE REJECTION

Because hedonism would be anarchy, we've imposed cultural restraints through mythologies that purport to be morality—
“Repression”

THE SOLUTION

Cast off the repressive mythologies of religion and morality and *only listen to your internal urges and desires*,
Do whatever feels good

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WHEN YOU INTENTIONALLY FOLLOW JESUS...

CONVICTION – DECISION – BEHAVIOR



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WHEN YOU ARE PULLED BY THE CURRENTS OF CULTURE...

BEHAVIOR – TENSION – JUSTIFICATION

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1 PETER 1:13-16

Therefore, with minds that are alert and fully sober, set your hope on the grace to be brought to you when Jesus Christ is revealed at his coming.

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As obedient children, do not conform to the evil desires you had when you lived in ignorance. But just as he who called you is holy, so be holy in all you do; for it is written: “Be holy, because I am holy.”

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