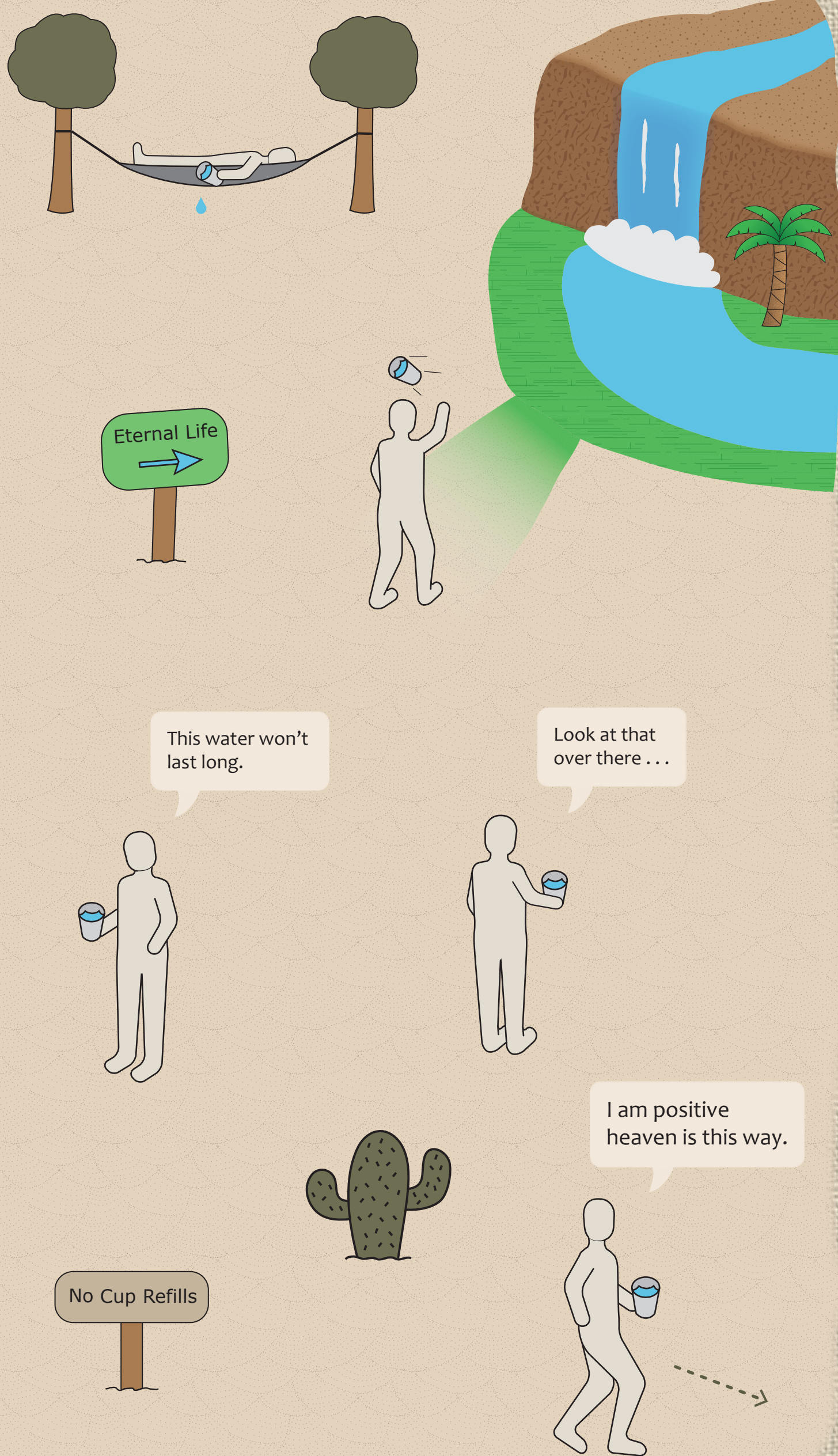


Finding Living Water

Your cup of life will run dry. A vastly better and never ending life is promised. Are you headed there?



24 reasons to make certain you are

You really don't want to get this question wrong.

Your only chance to be with loved ones forever.

Even the slightest chance of hell should be checked out.

Men usually go to great lengths to avoid death.

If you think you know, double check, triple check.

A lot of people are pulling for you to get there.

Some who are expecting heaven, are in for a shock.

God has only shown us a few of his treasures so far.

There are men in this world who would deceive you.

This question deserves our most diligent effort.

Conscience tells us there will be an accounting.

It's possible you are leading your loved ones astray.

Nothing less than zero room for error makes sense.

You don't have a special immunity to deception.

Jesus thought this issue important enough to die for.

Heaven has all that's good here, with none of the bad.

Same reason we mourn at funerals.

Trusting fate doesn't work.

Why gamble on missing paradise.

God wants you with him.

You never have to give it back, ever.

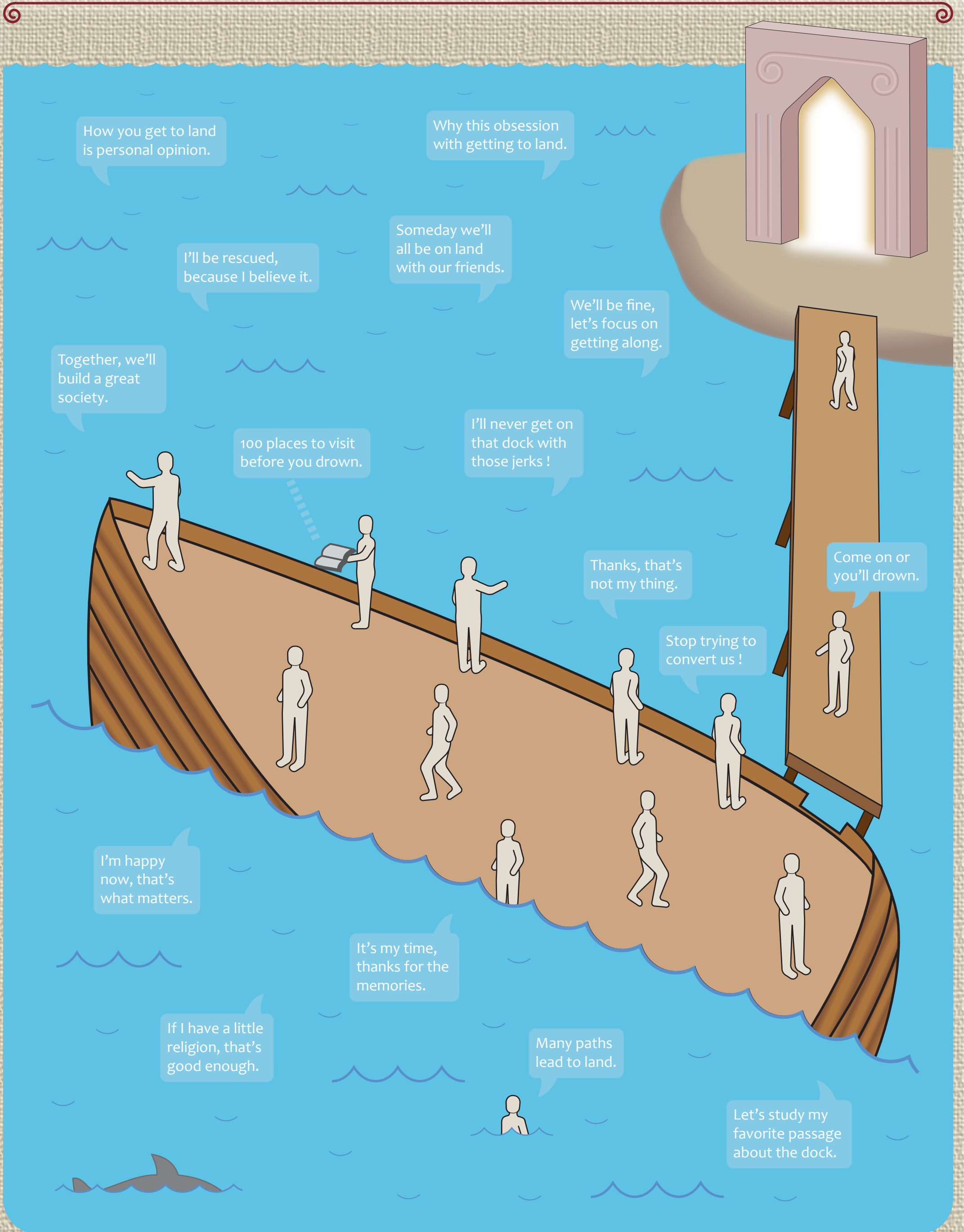
I'll find out after I die is not a plan.

Life is wonderful, and worth keeping.

Men have been wrong about this.

It's Sinking

Why would anyone not flee the boat?
Why would anyone not flee to eternal life?



Dangerous attitudes that hinder you from reaching paradise

Prejudice	I'll never get along with some Christians	Pride	I'll never admit those losers are right instead of me
Deception	I'm not deceived because I don't think I am	Reckless	I'm gambling that God isn't bothered by my morality
Apathy	Why bother making sure I'm on the right path	Sentiment	I'll never accept that some won't make it to heaven
Stubborn	I don't agree with the way the church is doing it	Careless	I mix Christianity with what else I think it needs
Short sighted	I don't care about eternity, just so I'm content now	Illogical	I don't care if a religion is true, just so we get along
Assumptions	I'm certain I already know what God wants	Rebellion	The Bible doesn't let me be who I really am

Search For Eternal Life

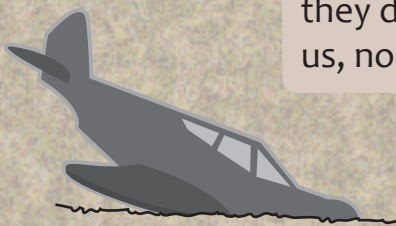
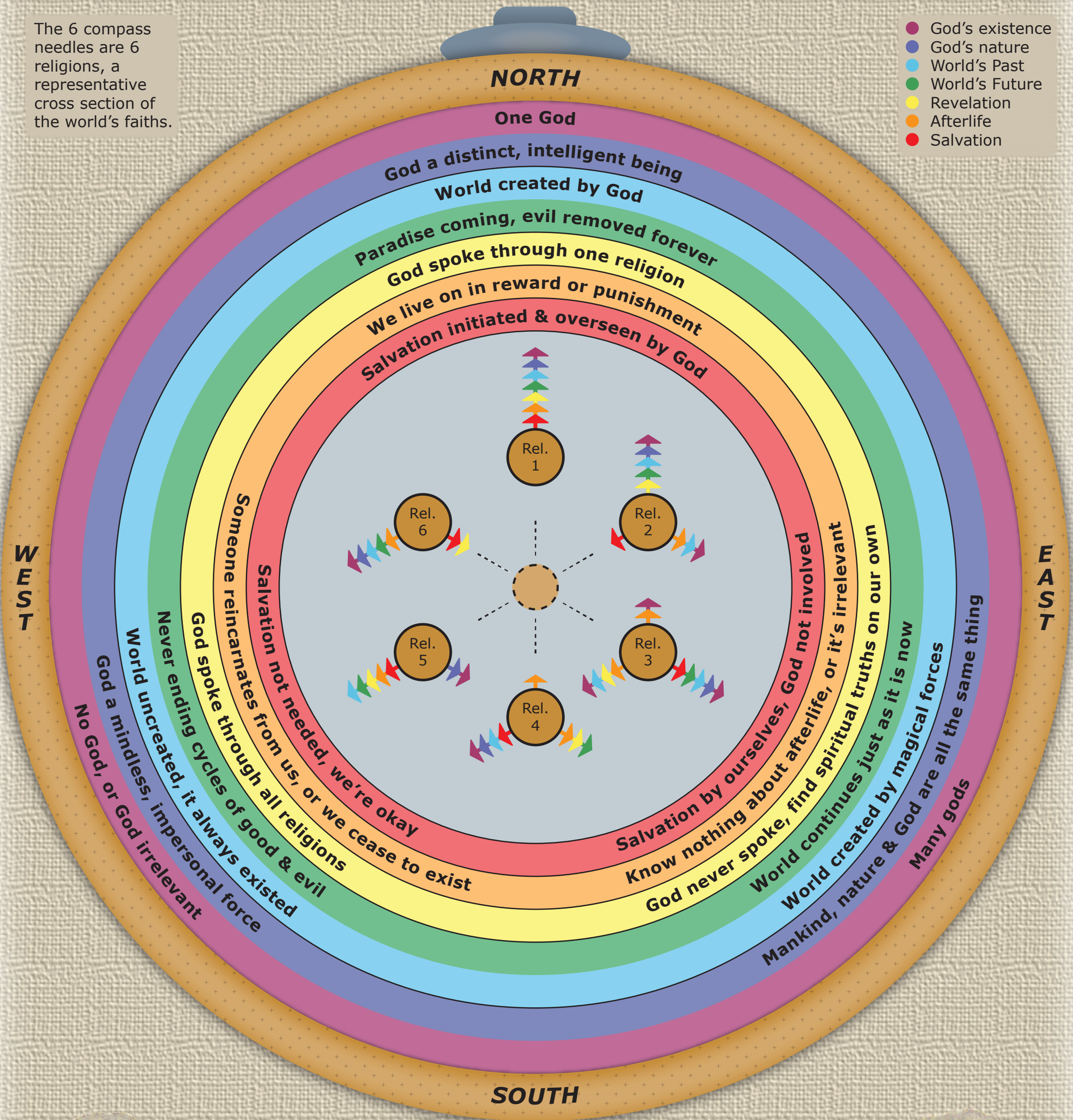
What if someone set out to find eternal life, starting with a blank sheet?



Do All Religions Teach the Same Thing

The 6 compass needles are 6 religions, a representative cross section of the world's faiths.

- God's existence
- God's nature
- World's Past
- World's Future
- Revelation
- Afterlife
- Salvation



Why use those other compasses? Half the time they don't agree with the one the captain gave us, nor do they agree with each other.

I consider only when they do agree and I ignore the rest, so to me they all say the same thing.



In time of war, a plane crashes behind enemy lines on a cloudy night. Rescue lies due north, if reached by daybreak. Each soldier has a functioning compass, but some also fashion their own compasses.

I've come to believe that all compasses contain a portion of the truth.

Which Religion

Religions claim to inform us about the spiritual world. How do we decide which are telling the truth?

There once was an island that was part of a kingdom far away on the mainland. The primitive islanders had no boats and none had ever seen the mainland or the king, nor did they possess his advanced powers and knowledge. The island was slowly sinking into the sea, so the king continually sent messengers to explain himself, the mainland, and how to get there. These ambassadors brought many proofs to convince the islanders of their authenticity. Other men arose on the island, also claiming knowledge from beyond the sea. Each islander had to figure out who could be trusted.

Nope.

Where's your boat? Have you ever taken anyone out on the water?

Where does your official document end & the opinions of men begin?

How many ambassadors were sent?

Ignore all the others. Our guy replaces them all.

Why don't your converts ever invite us to join them?

We know nothing about the king & his mainland. We make life on the island better.

Your group's ambassadors - can you tell me their names, dates, historical context, miracles, and is this written down?

No, no, no, no, and no.

We don't emphasize proofs. Trust us because it seems right.

You telling me the king only sent a message once, by one person?

LEGEND

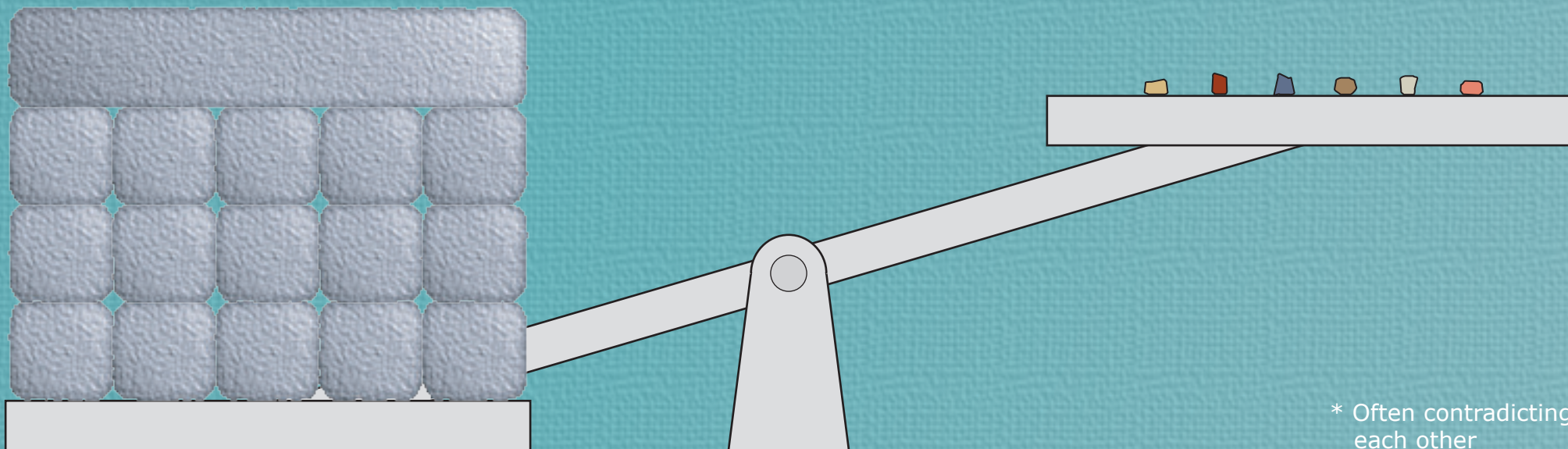
- Ambassadors. Proven contact with God/spiritual world. Then they teach us what they've learned.
- Converts. Devoted lives show they are convinced of the religion's validity.
- Invitations. Persuaded of the religion's truth and value, converts passionately ask us to join them.
- Miracles. Supernatural events that could only be caused by supernatural beings.
- Predictions. Supernatural knowledge of the future that only supernatural beings possess.
- Documentation. Written and well defined official definition of the religion.
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- Validation. What's promised has been historically demonstrated, i.e. dead raised, bodies restored.
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- Repetition. Each distinct episode where God met men, with full historical documentation.

Who Knows Better

To find out what God is really like, what source of information carries the most weight?

The Nation of ancient Israel

Individual opinions *



* Often contradicting each other

Why does Israel's description of God carry so much weight?

Because they met him . . . many times.

I'm telling you, God was just here.

Once we tell you what he did, you'll be sure too.

How can you be sure it was God?

Here, read about it in our official account.

Every time God shows up, he speaks and acts the same way.

And he always proves supernaturally it's him.

That same God visited us again, just like our ancestors wrote about.

It was him alright. Look at that footprint.

Time line of the ancient Jews

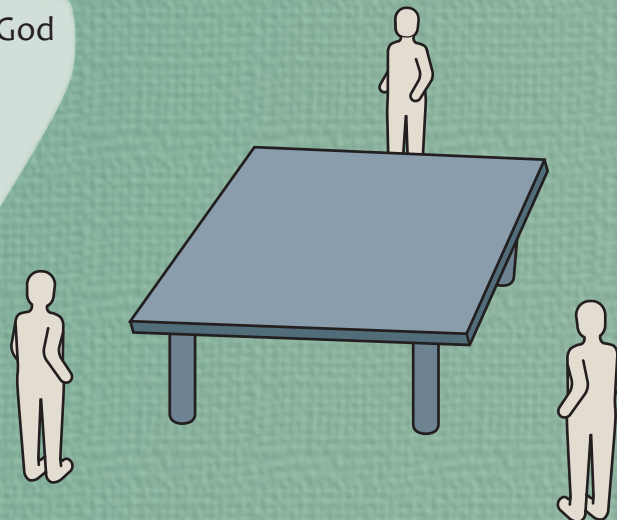
20th Century BC

1st Century AD

And why does one person's opinion carry so much less weight?

Lay on the table proof that your knowledge of God rivals ancient Israel's. Include the following:

- Seas parted, armies routed and dead raised.
- Churches which formed out of your views.
- Additional prophets God sent to confirm your doctrines.
- Missionaries traveling the world spreading your ideas.
- Number of centuries your opinions have been tested.



After that, put this evidence on the table:

- Number of converts to your unique ideas.
- Your predictions fulfilled after 1000 years.
- Angelic encounters, miraculous births and audible voices from heaven.
- Skeptics throughout history who have challenged your theories.
- Names of those who willingly died for your opinions.