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Pastoring in Times of Crisis

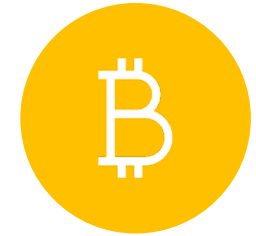
A deeper understanding of key issues that pastors face in times of crisis. Use the data from the brief online survey.



***THEOLOGICAL
ISSUES:***



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UNITY ISSUES:



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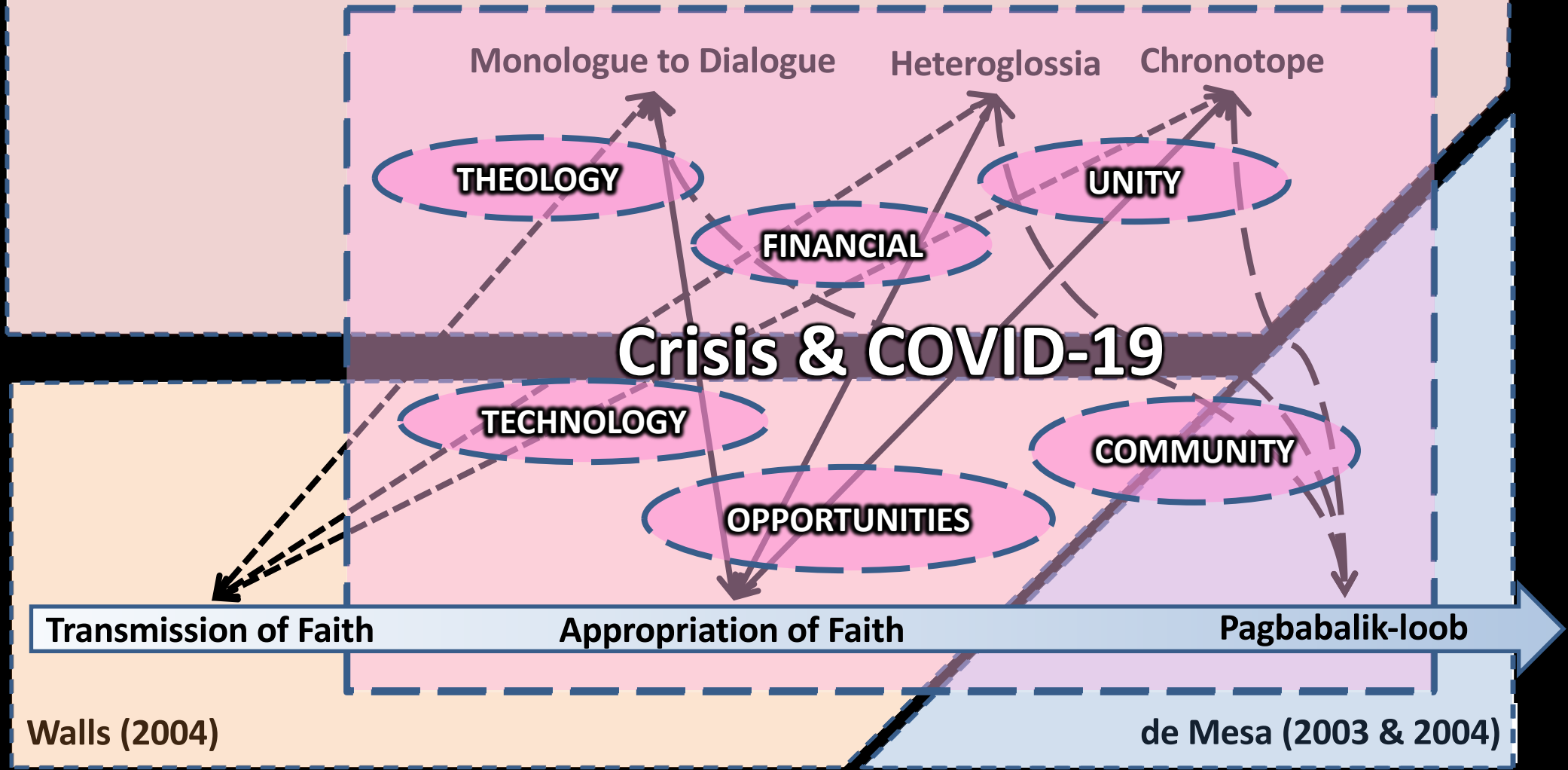


OPPORTUNITIES:

Poll

Theories for Navigating Crisis

Bakhtin (1981, 1984, 1986)



A continually
developing Biblical
Theology of
Disaster,
Quarantine, and
Isolation/Theology
of Church Under
Lockdown, or
Church Scattered.

- Crisis in the Bible. To the people of God → Jer 29
- Examples of distant leadership in the Bible — Ministry from Afar
- Paul
- OT Prophets
- Jesus in Grave
- When God is silent



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- **BROKEN RELATIONSHIPS**

- The Bible is clear that God, people and the wider natural world are deeply interconnected and so if one aspect of that is broken then everything will be impacted.

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- **SICKNESS AND SIN**

- Luke 13:1-5 – Galileans Pilate killed & those who died when tower fell on them
- John 9:1-5 – Man blind from birth
- Mark 2 – Paralyzed man let down through roof

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- **SIGNS OF THE END TIMES?**

- “If there’s one thing that we can say for certain, it’s that no one can know for certain. If Jesus himself did not know when the end times would be (Matthew 24:36), who are we to try and say?”
- “Although the word ‘unprecedented’ keeps being brought up, this is not the first crisis of this scale – indeed, there have been far, far darker times in human history.”

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- **SO HOW SHOULD WE RESPOND?**

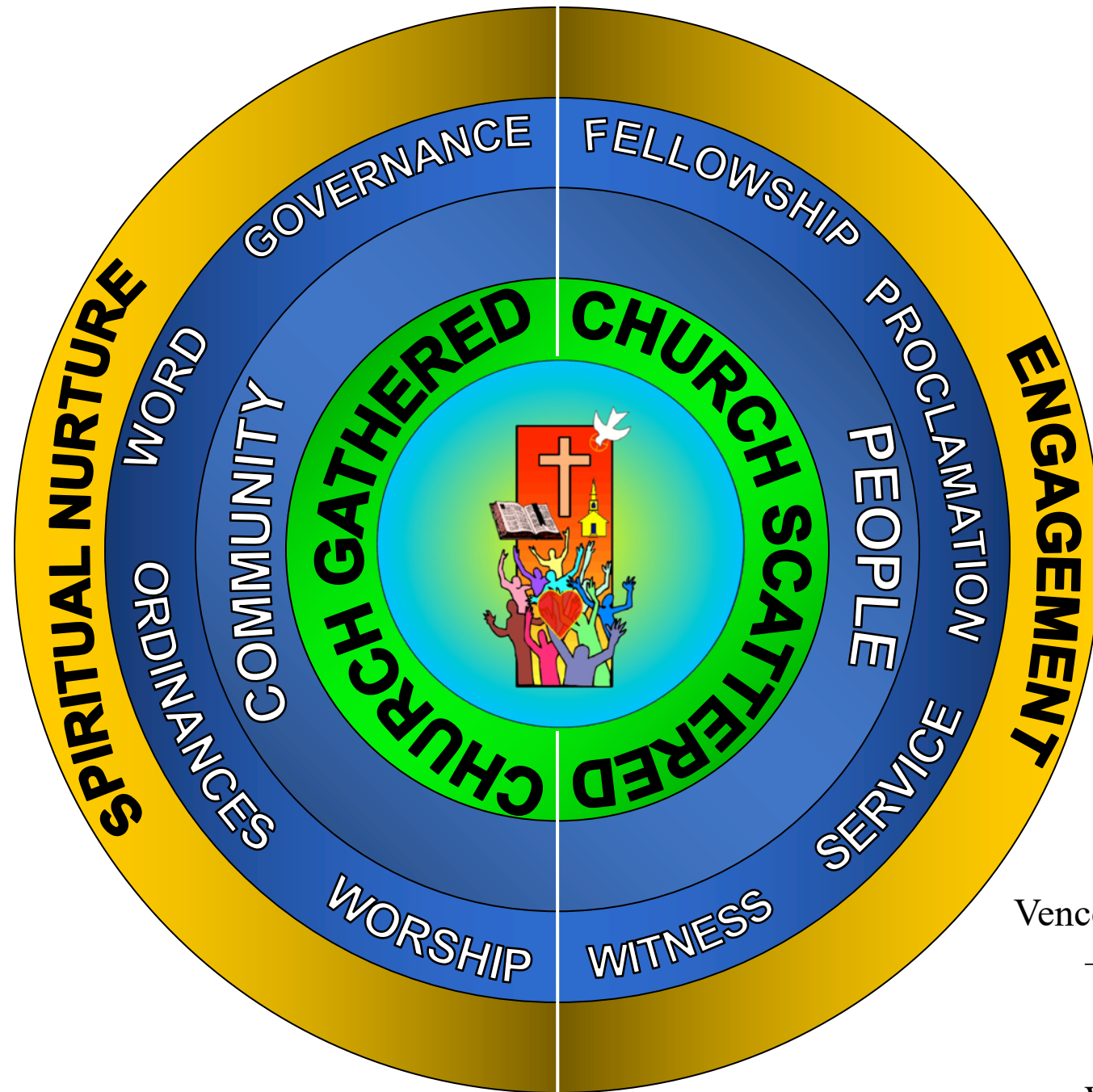
- Matthew 5:14 – “Light of the world”
- “As the shadow of coronavirus falls across the land, the call of the church is to shine as brightly as it can.”

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- **HOPE FOR THE FUTURE**

- “As we emerge from the initial extremes of Covid-19 we can ask ourselves what sort of a world we want to build going forwards. Can we repent of the world we have created, and instead look to build one without such a huge gap between rich and poor – a world that enables us to live in harmony with creation? A world where we understand that the well-being of one is bound up with the well-being of all?”



Vencer, A. (2004). Church Scattered
– Church Gathered diagram. 04
Functional Church Powerpoint
Presentation. Discipling a
Whole Nation Faculty Institute.

Breakout Rooms (4/group)

- Pakilala
- Discuss your experiences during the COVID-19 crisis, including both challenges and opportunities.
- Pray for one another in your group.
- 20 minutes

