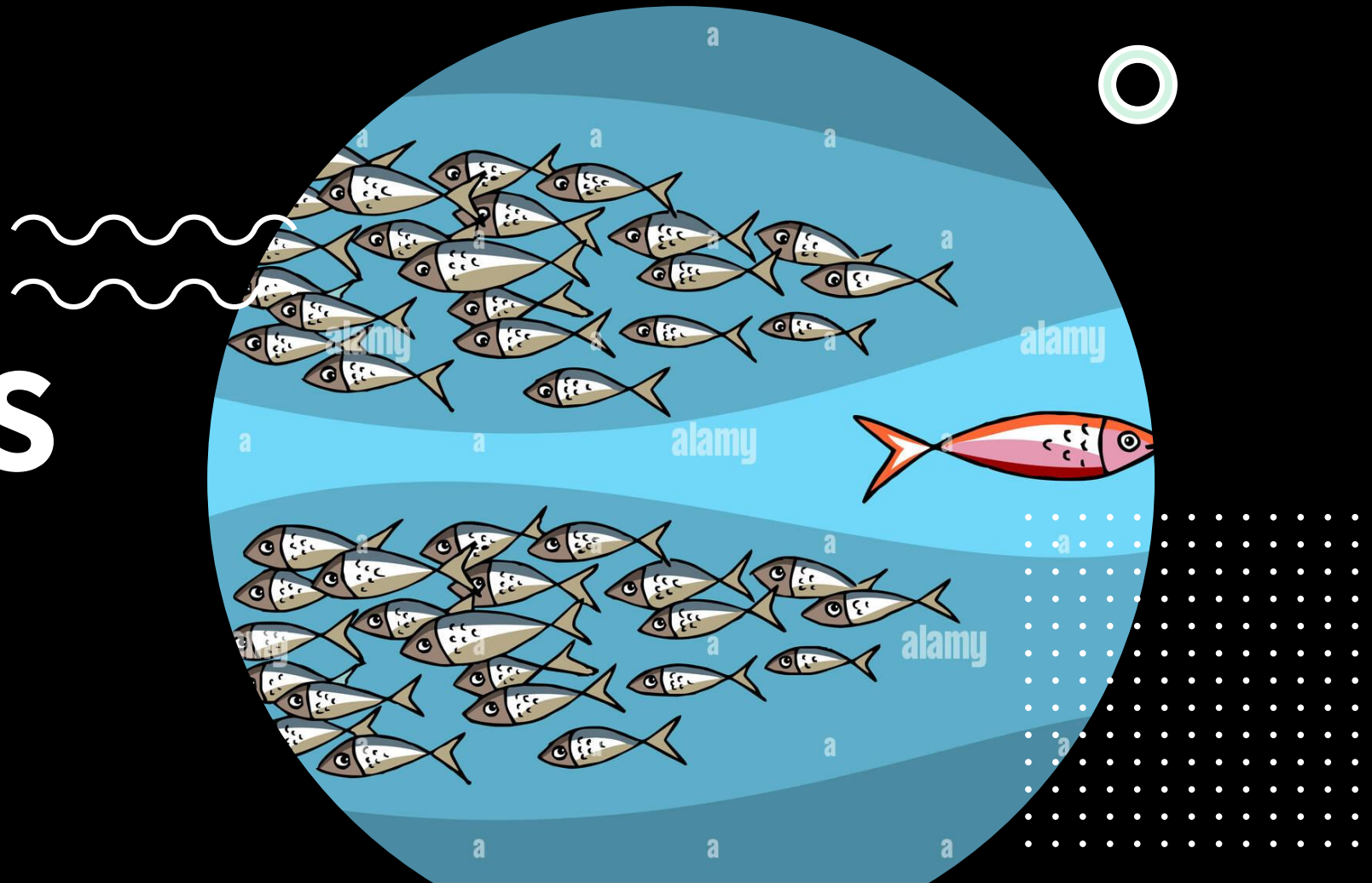


VALUES 101

#2 - LIVING WITH A
COUNTER-CULTURE
PERSPECTIVE



● 1. Humility

Romans 12:3 *for by the grace given me I say to every one of you: Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment, in accordance with the measure of faith God has given you.*





(a) What is Faith?

- Natural faith
- Belief in God

James 2:19 *You believe there is one God. Good! Even the demons believe that – and shudder.*

- Saving faith

Ephesians 2:8 *For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith – and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God...*





(a) What is Faith? (cont)

- Fruit Faith

2 Thessalonians 1:3 *We ought always to thank God for you, brothers, and rightly so, because your faith is growing more and more, and the love every one of you has for each other is increasing.*

- Gift of Faith

1 Corinthians 12:7; 9-10a *Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good ...to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by that one Spirit, to another miraculous powers, to another prophecy...*





(b) What is the Measure of Faith?

- Faith is like a seed, and when planted, has everything required to produce fruit.
- Faith can grow.



● 2. Collective Responsibility

Romans 12:4-5 *Just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we who are many form one body, and each member belongs to all the others.*

Philippians 2:3-4 *do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves. Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others.*



● 3. Diversity of Gifts

Romans 12:6-8 *We have different gifts, according to the grace given us. If a man's gift is prophesying, let him use it in proportion to his faith. If it is serving, let him serve; if it is teaching, let him teach; if it is encouraging, let him encourage; if it is contributing to the needs of others, let him give generously; if it is leadership, let him govern diligently; if it is showing mercy, let him do it cheerfully.*



Gift	Description
Prophecy	The ability to speak forth God's truth and to discern His will.
Serving	The gift of serving others, demonstrating humility and a willingness to help without seeking recognition.
Teaching	The ability to impart knowledge and understanding of God's word accurately
Encouragement	The gift of uplifting and motivating others to live according to God's will.
Giving	The calling to share resources generously and cheerfully.
Leadership	The responsibility to guide and direct others.
Mercy	The ability to show compassion and kindness with a cheerful heart.



Humility leads to unity
which leads to collective responsibility
and the use of spiritual gifts in all their forms,
recognizing each others' contribution
is valuable and necessary.

