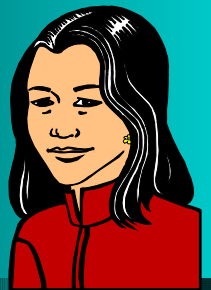


## XII. Words

How are words important?



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## A. Words from God

# God's Speech

And God said, "Let there be light,"  
and there was light. -- Gen. 1:3

Plan for Light

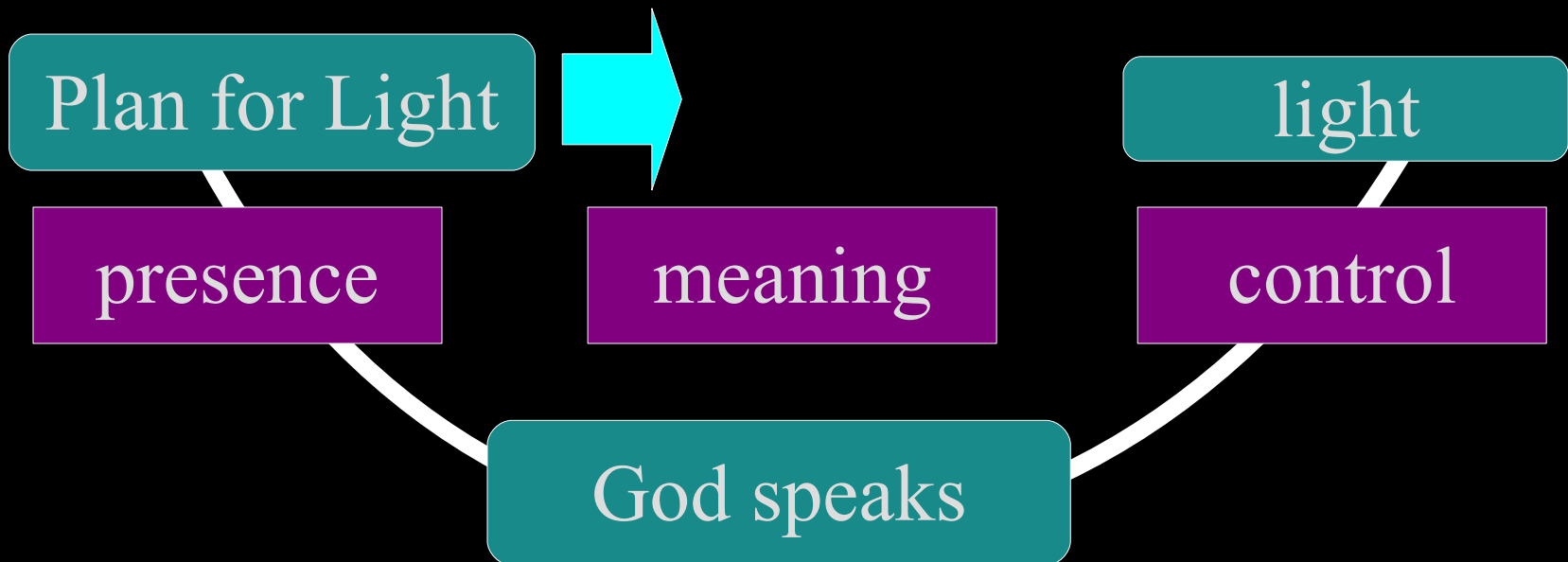


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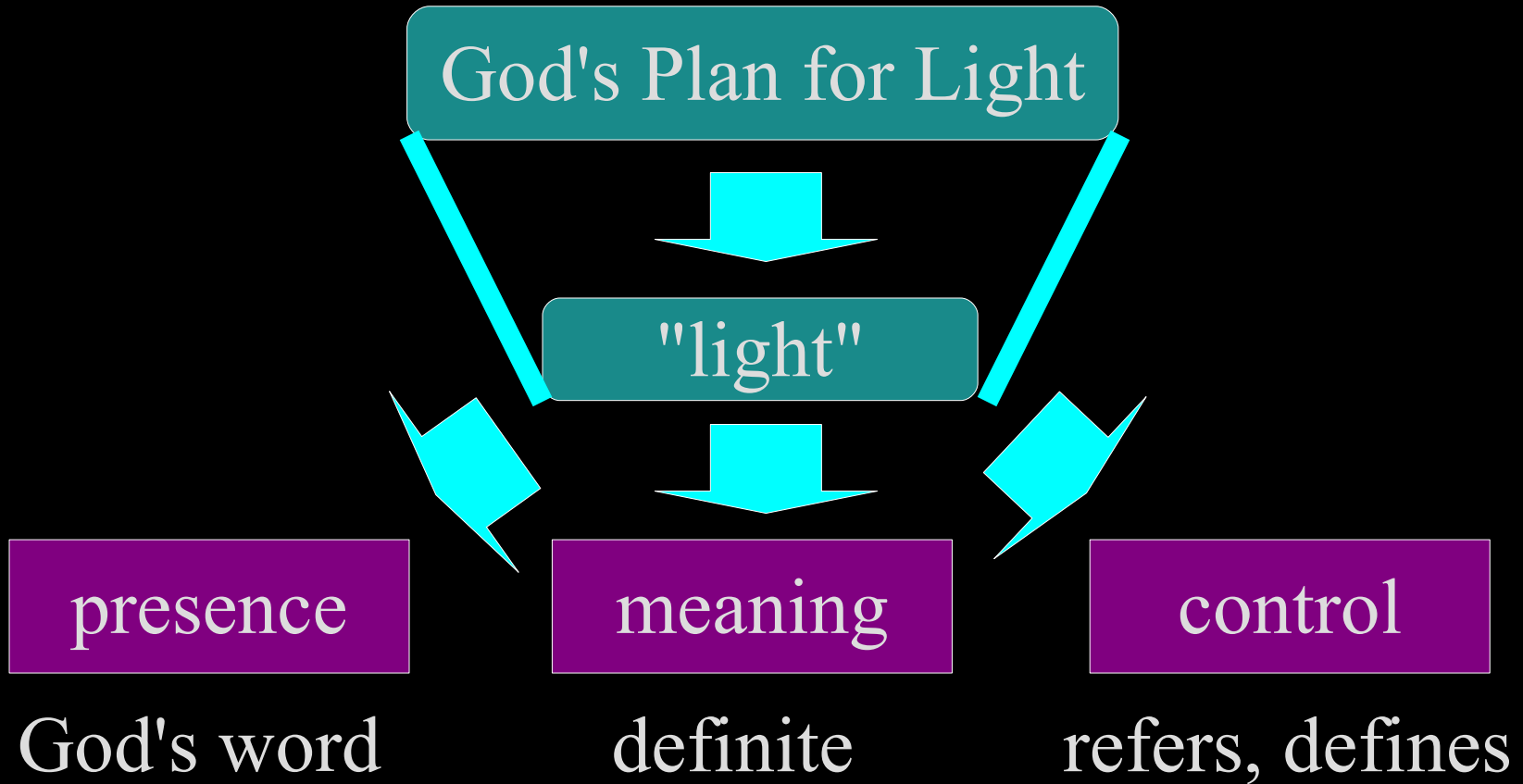
God speaks

# God's Character Revealed

And God said, "Let there be light,"  
and there was light. -- Gen. 1:3

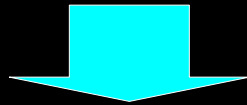


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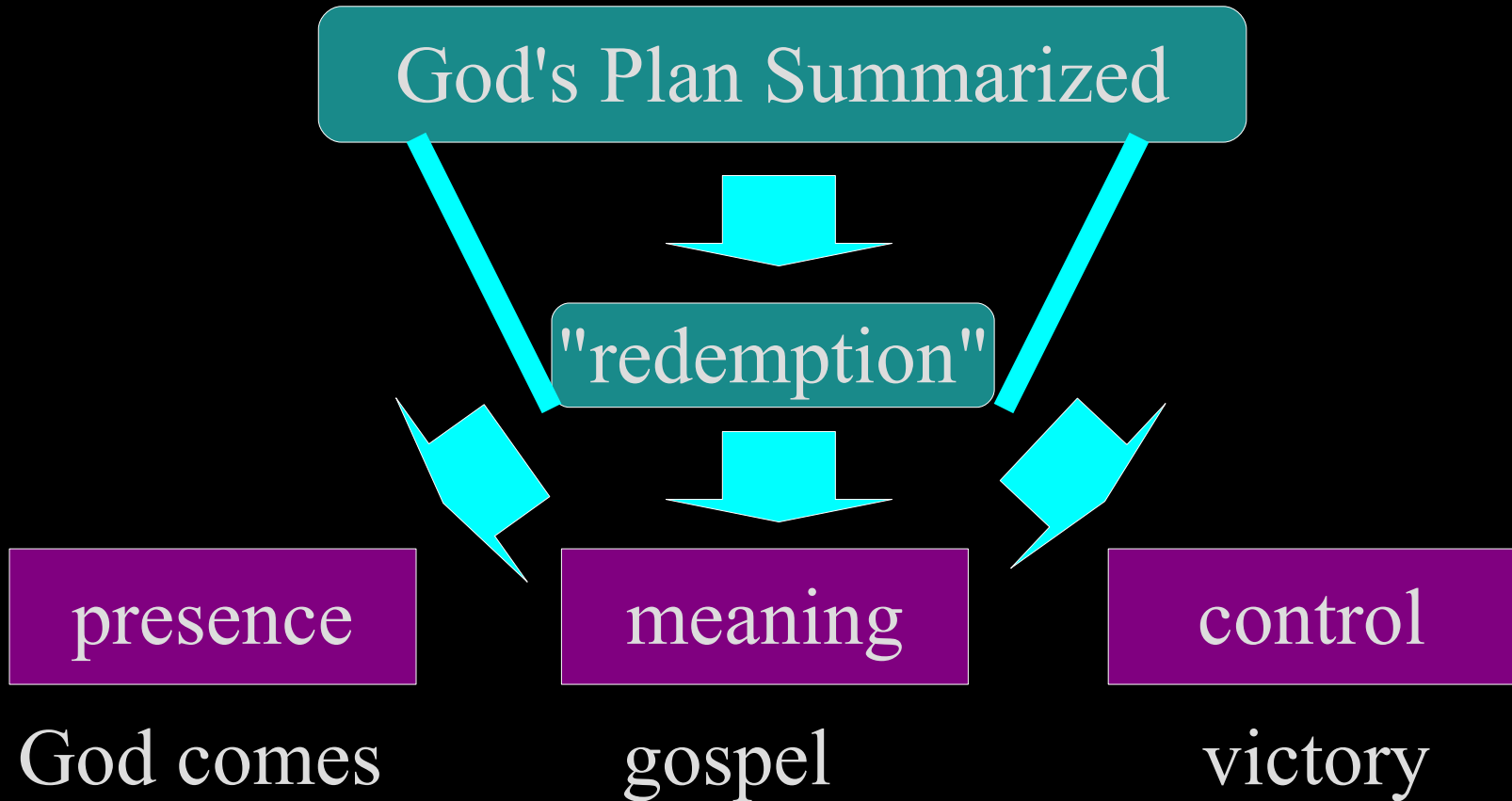
# The Word "Redemption"

God's Total Plan for Redemption



Summary: For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, ... -- 1 Cor. 15:3-4

# The Word "Redemption"



## B. God's Name

# Moses' Request

Moses said, "Please show me your glory." And he said, "I will make all my goodness pass before you and will proclaim before you my name 'The LORD.' And I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy. -- Ex. 33:18-19



# God's Pronouncement

The LORD descended in the cloud and stood with him there, and proclaimed the name of the LORD. The LORD passed before him and proclaimed, "The LORD, the LORD, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness, .... -- Ex. 34:5-6

# The Word "LORD"

God's Character Summarized

"LORD"

presence

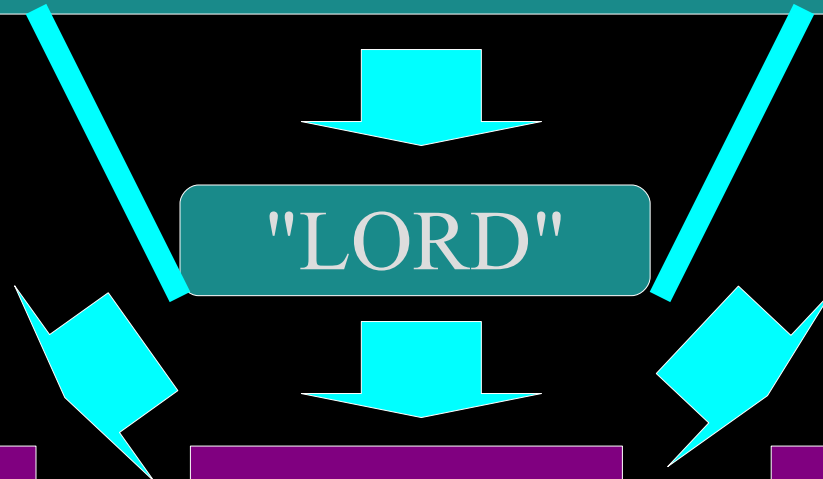
personal  
relation

meaning

description,  
attributes

control

submission



## C. Fulfillment in Christ

# The Name of God

O God, save me, by your name. -- Ps. 54:1

We trust in the name of the LORD our God. -- Ps. 20:7

May the name of the God of Jacob protect you! -- Ps. 20:1

## The Name of God (2)

I am the LORD; that is my name. -- Is. 42:8

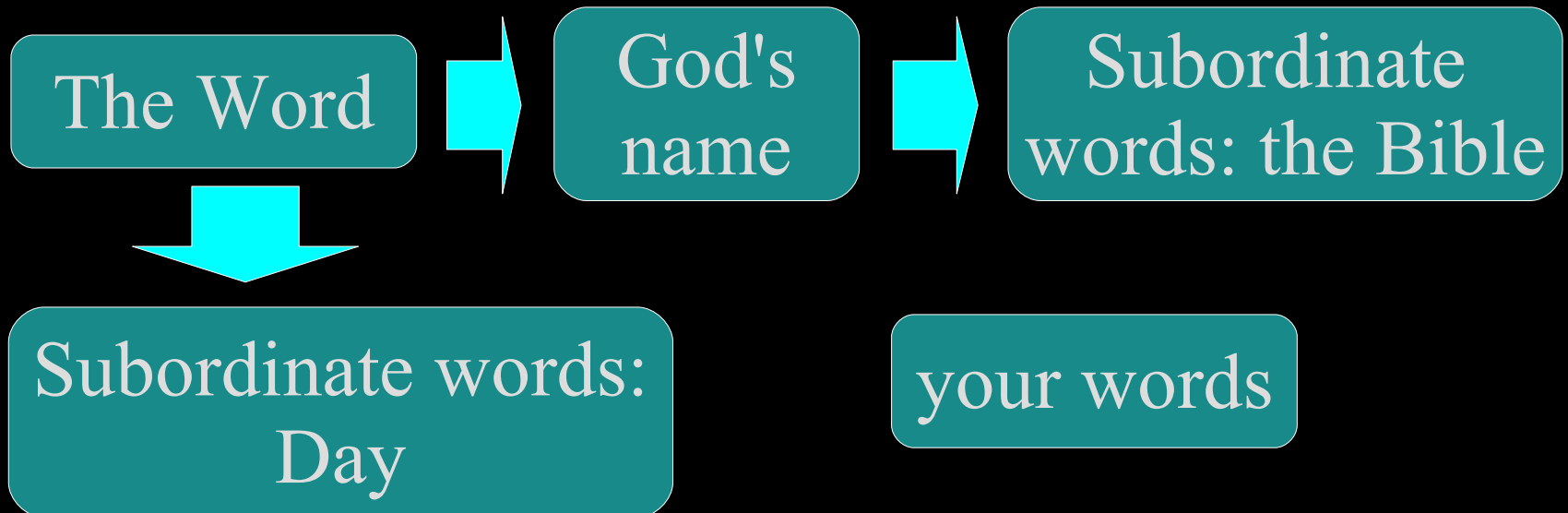
Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. -- Phil. 2:9-11

# God Speaking

In the beginning was the Word. -- John 1:1

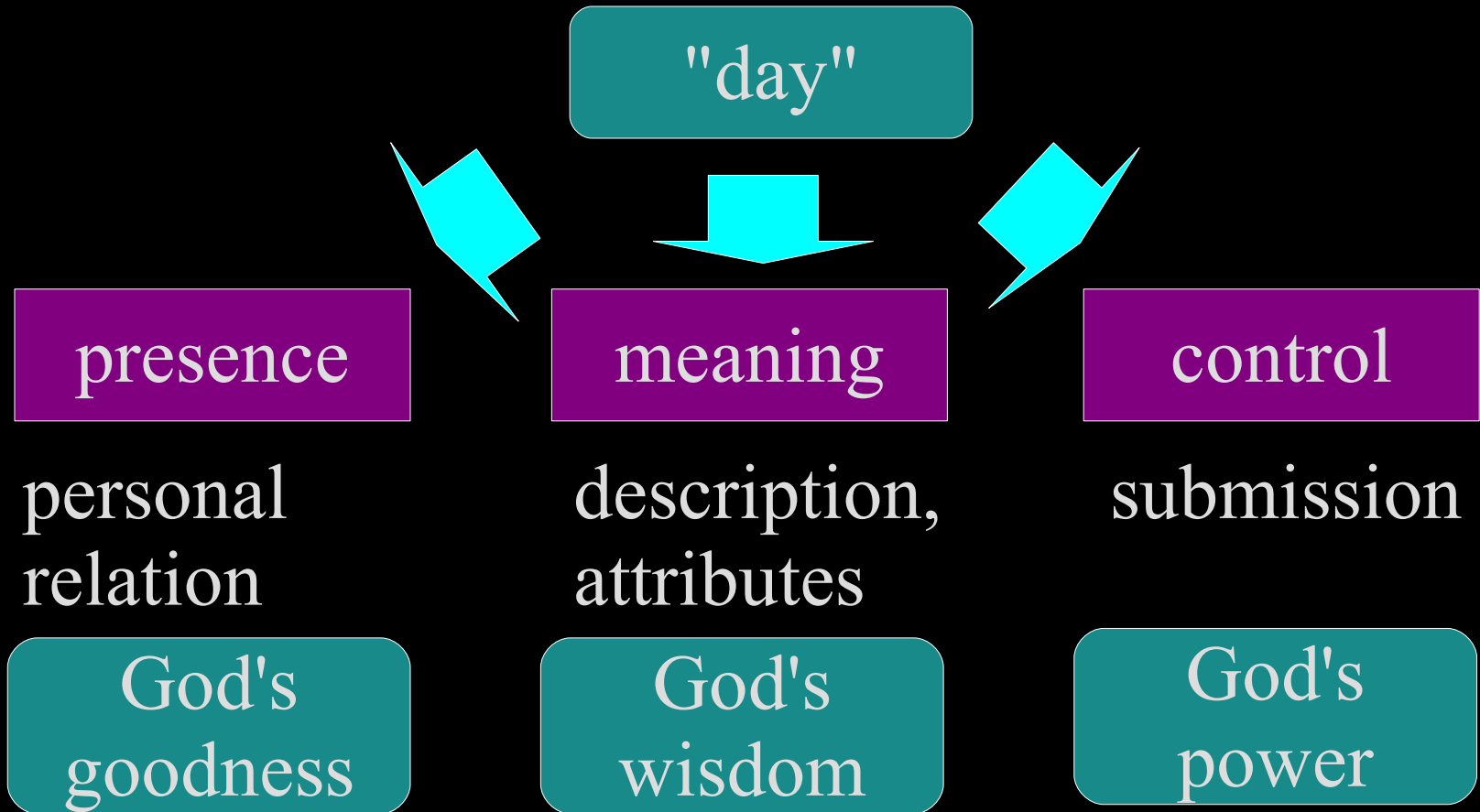
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God called the light Day. -- Gen. 1:5



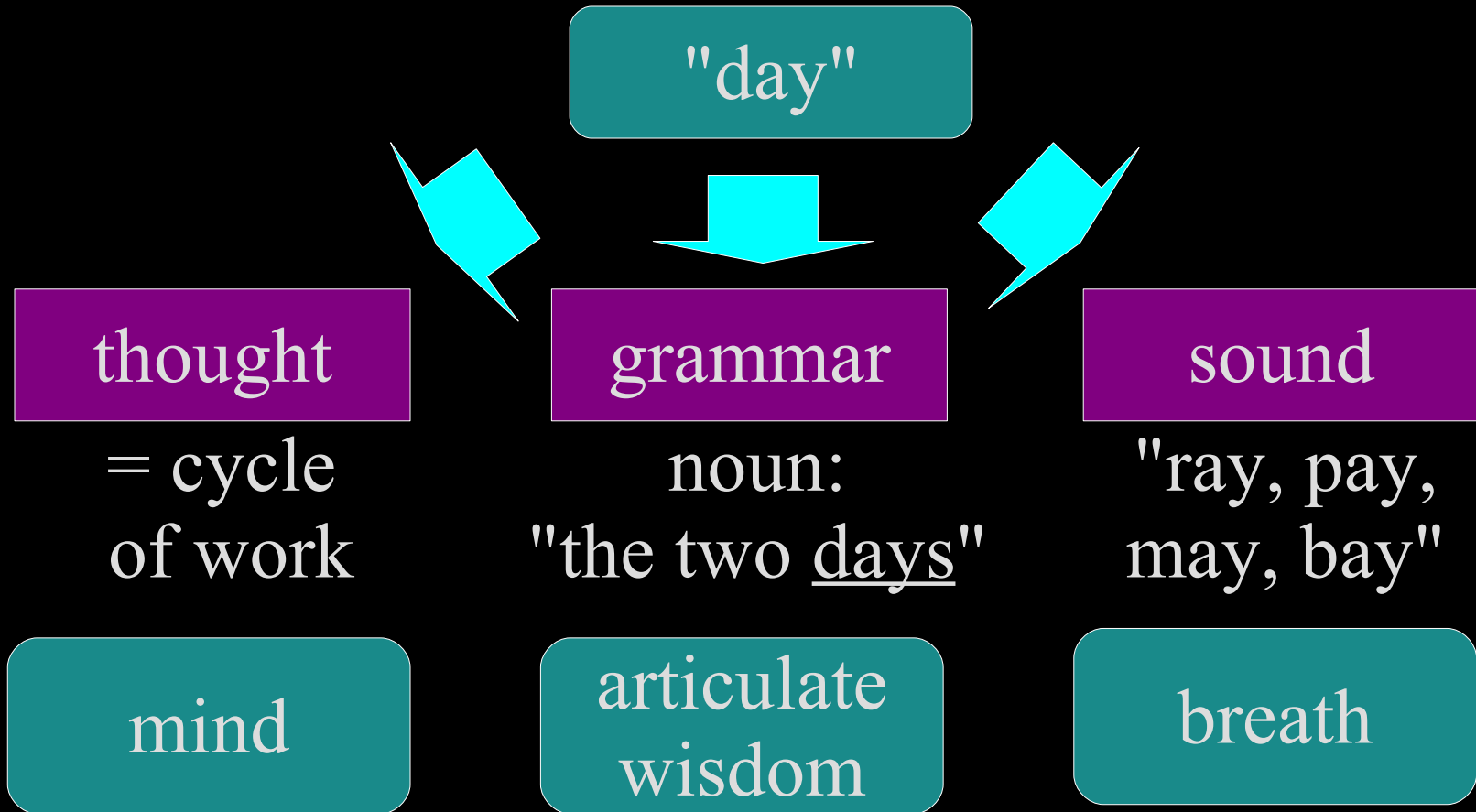
## D. Our words

# God's Gift in the Word "Day"

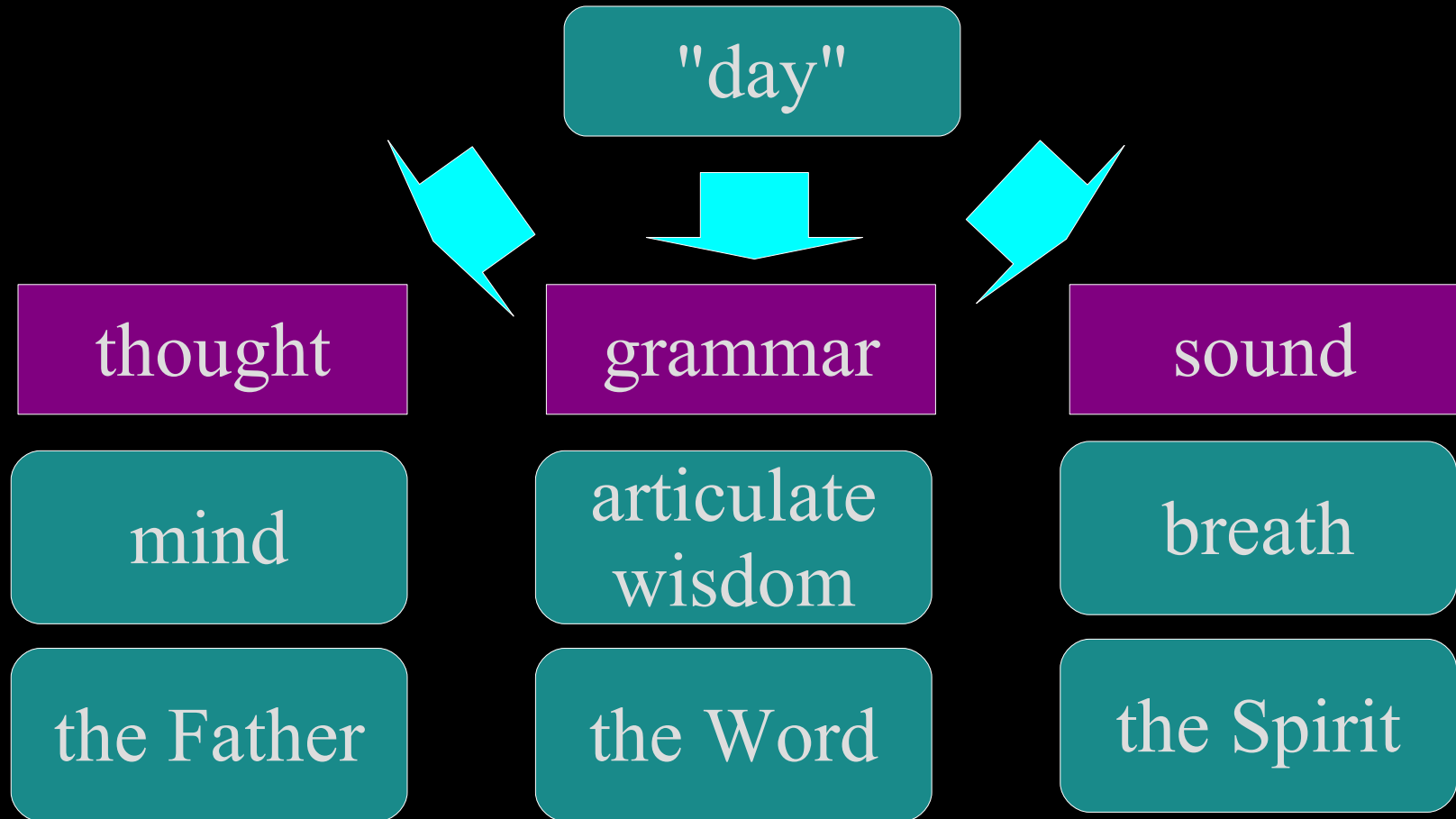




# What's in a Word?



# God as Origin



# God as Wise

ordinary day

And on the following day they entered Caesarea. -- Acts 10:24

pattern of days

Six days you shall labor, and do all your work, ... -- Ex. 20:9

sabbath day

but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. -- Ex. 20:10

## God as Wise (2)

sabbath year

... but in the seventh year there shall be a Sabbath of solemn rest for the land, a Sabbath to the LORD. -- Lev. 25:4

jubilee

And you shall consecrate the fiftieth year, and proclaim liberty throughout the land. -- Lev. 25:10

# God as Wise (3)

## God's rest

So God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it God rested from all his work that he had done in creation. -- Gen. 2:3

## final rest

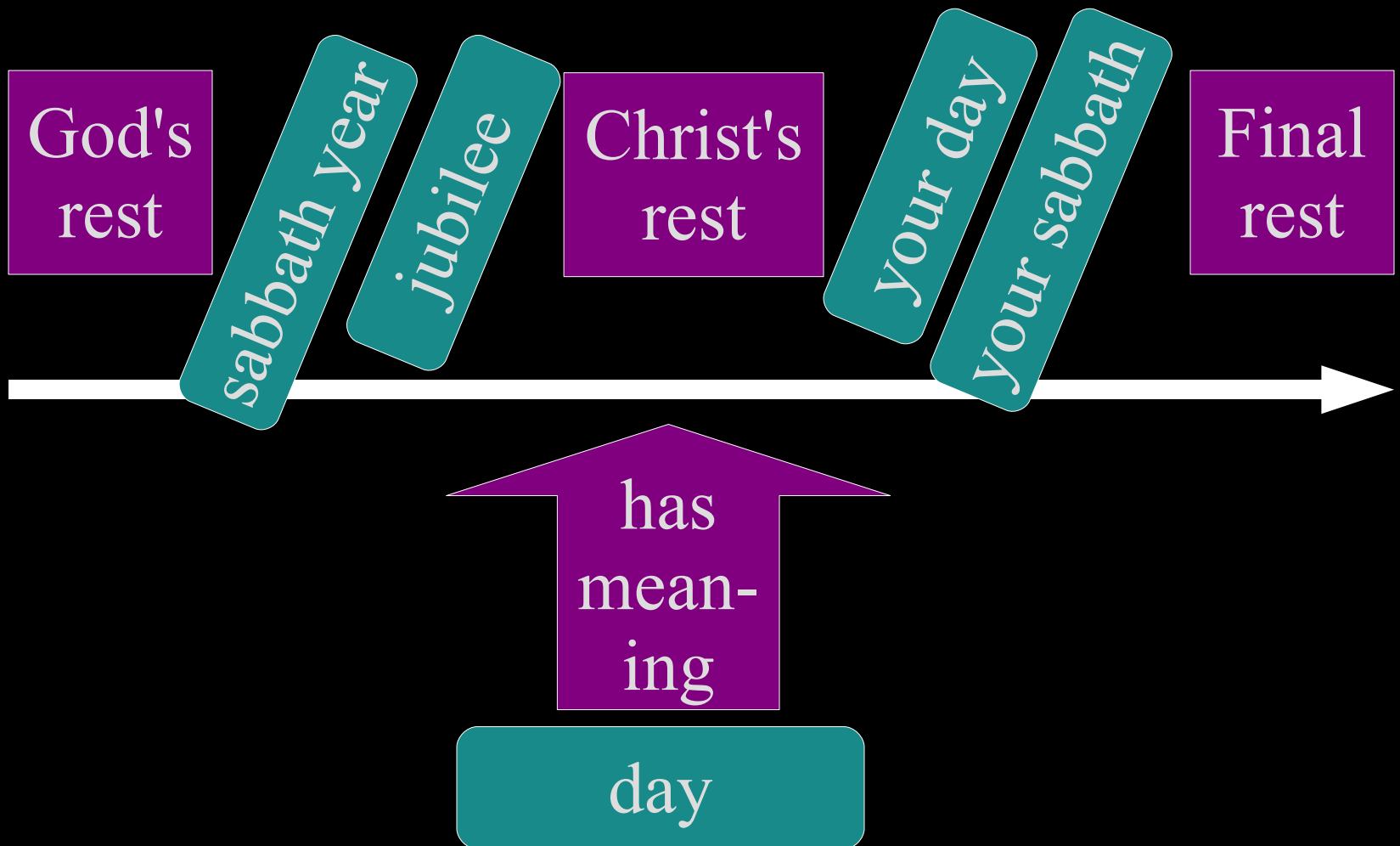
There remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God. -- Heb. 4:9

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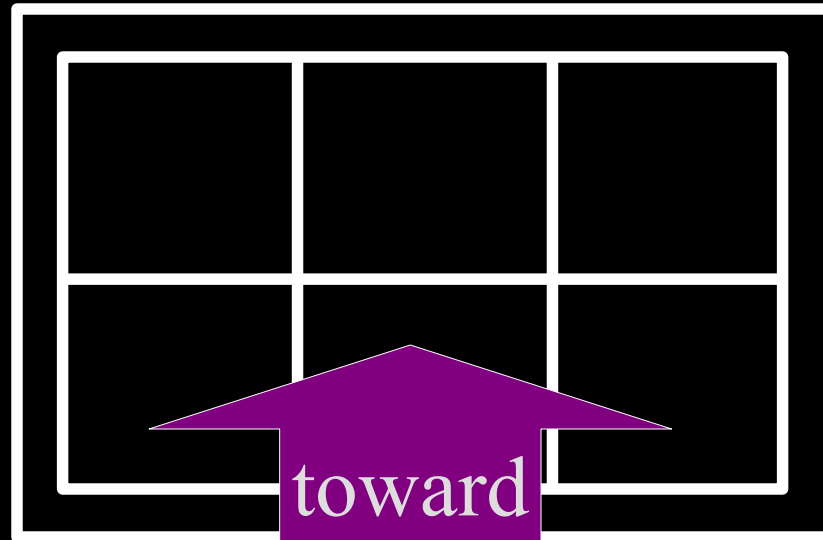
Christ's rest

... that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. -- 1 Cor. 15:4

# Total Wisdom



# A Word as a Window



toward  
a vista

day



# The Word as a Window

Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. -- John 14:9

The Father



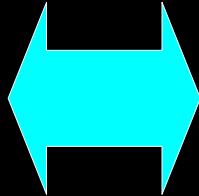
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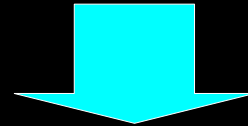
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# Problem Word

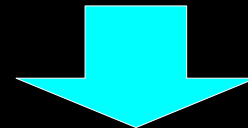
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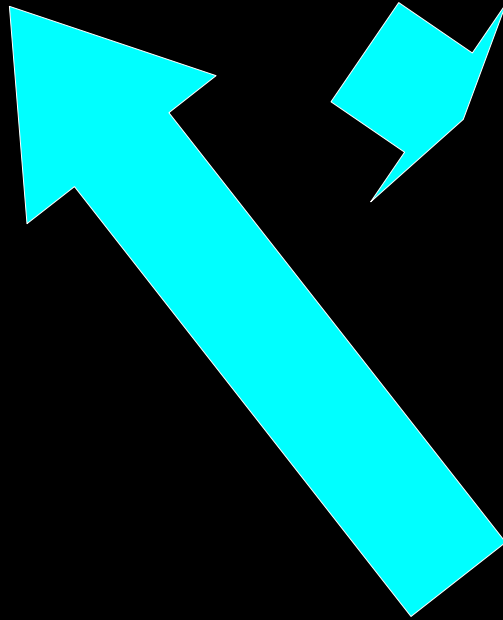
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explain:  
Acts 17:22-31

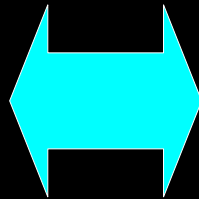


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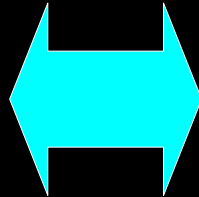
# Problem Words

God



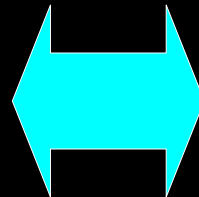
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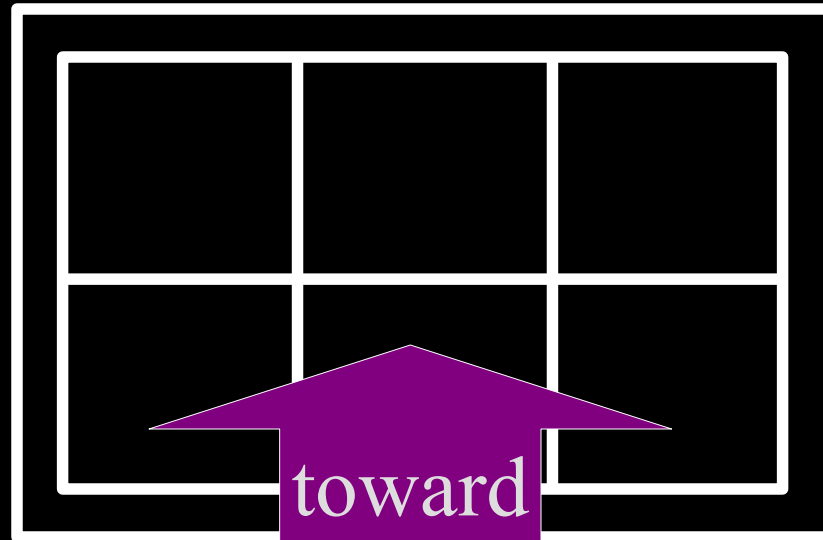
crime

love



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# Stretching Words to See



toward  
a vista

day

# Renewing Your Mind

Do not be conformed to this world,  
but be transformed by the renewal of  
your mind, that by testing you may  
discern what is the will of God, what  
is good and acceptable and perfect. --  
Rom. 12:2

# The Mind of Christ

But we have the mind of Christ.  
-- 1 Cor. 2:16