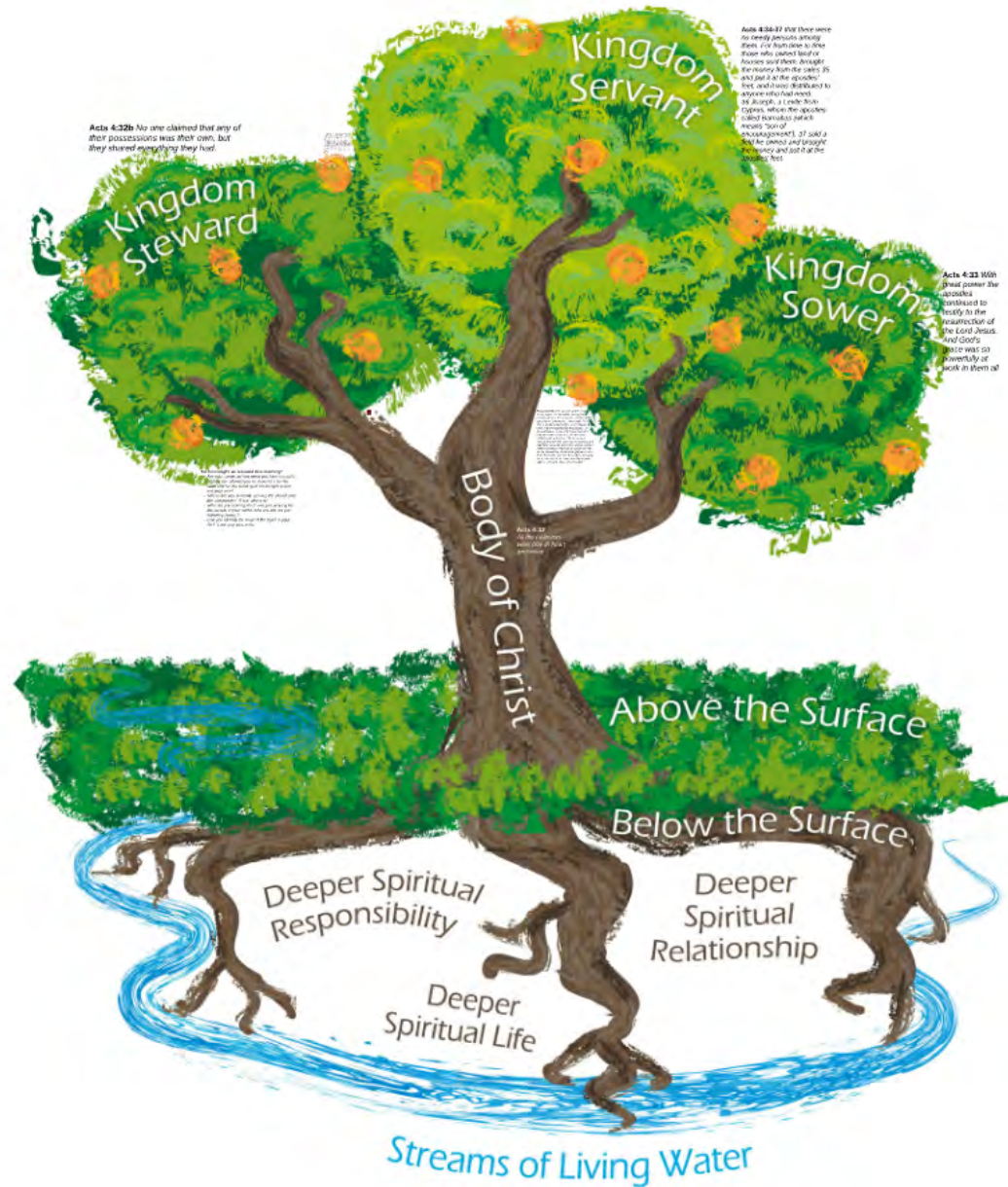


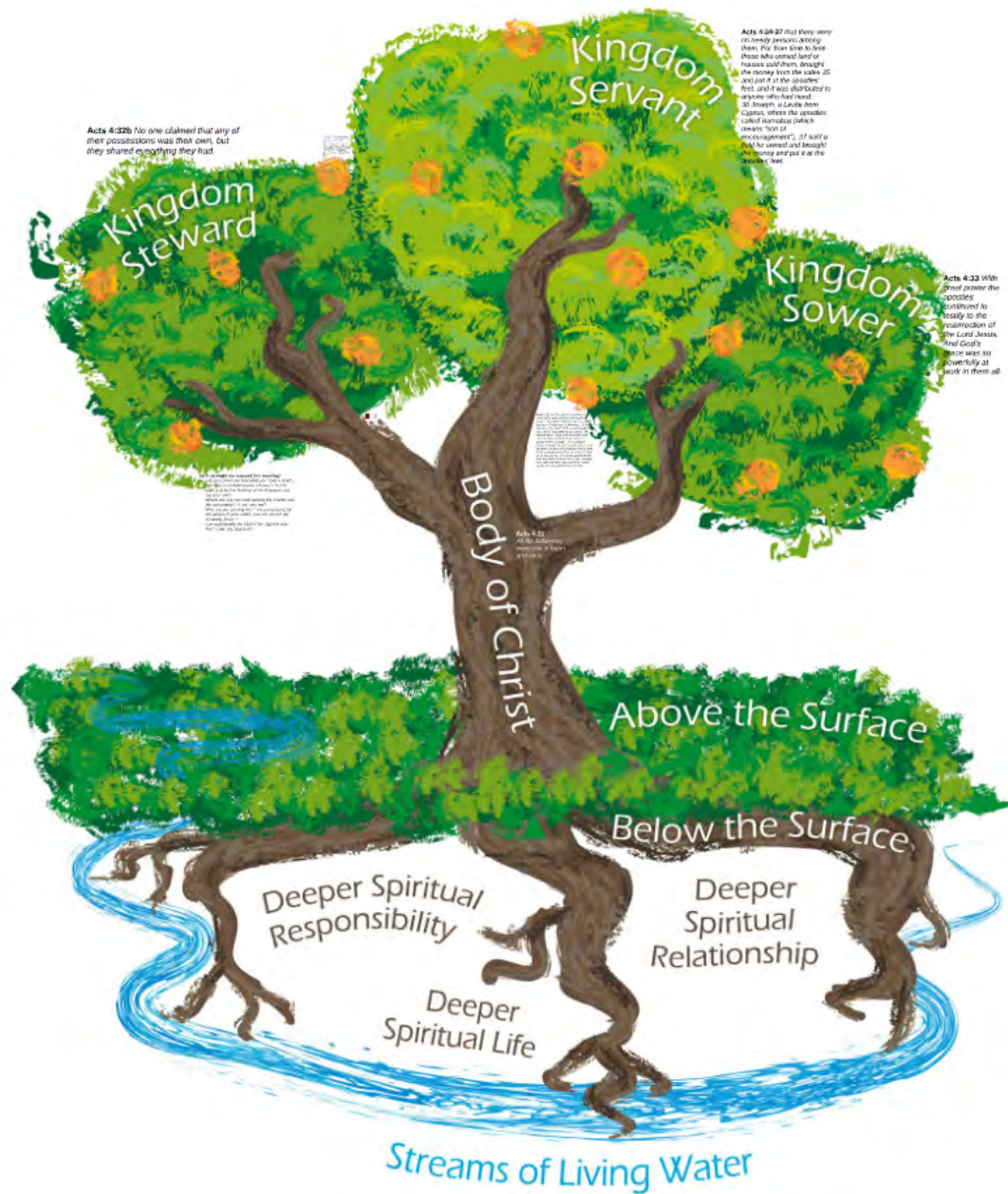
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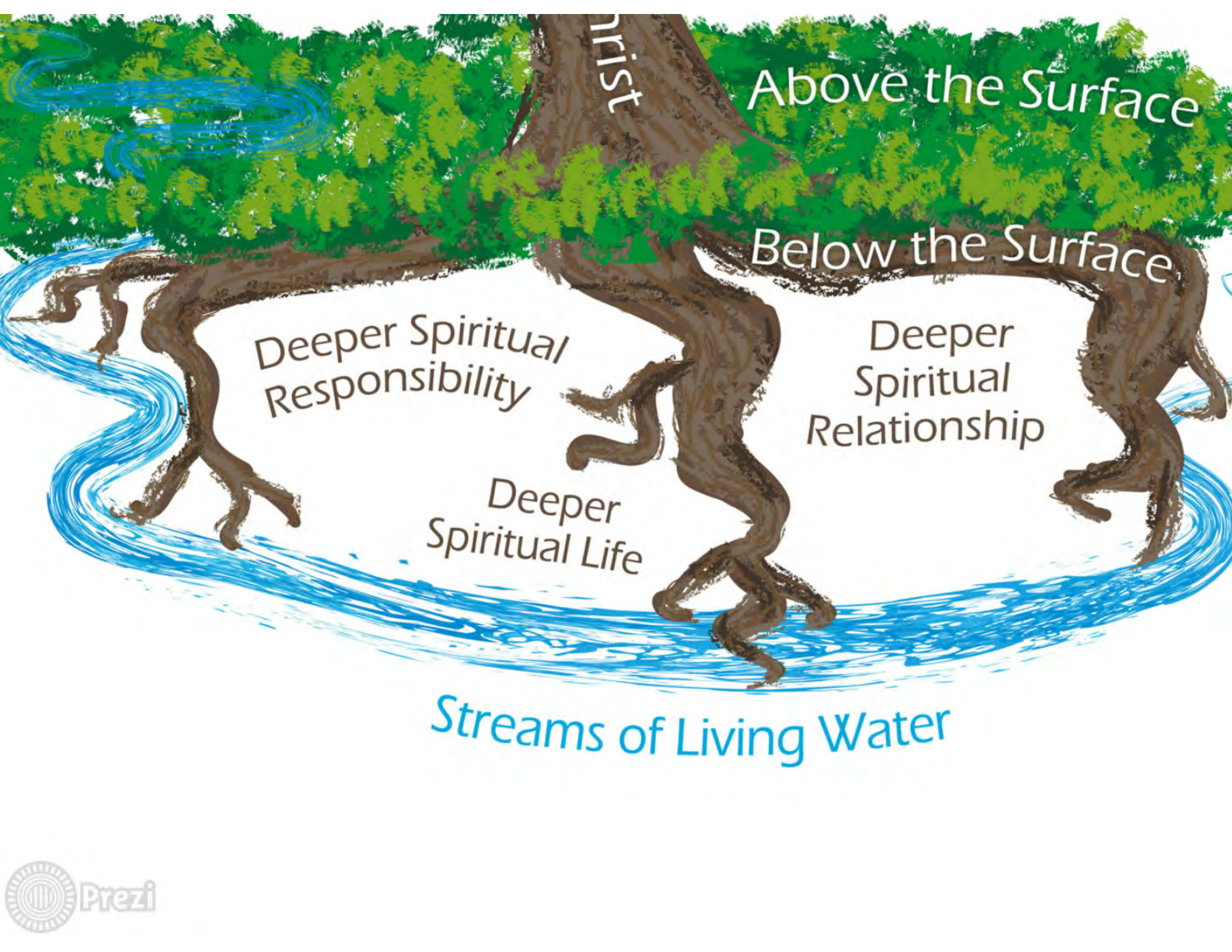


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## Above the Surface, Part 3







Christ

Above the Surface

Below the Surface

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Deeper Spiritual Relationship

Deeper Spiritual Life

Streams of Living Water



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Servant

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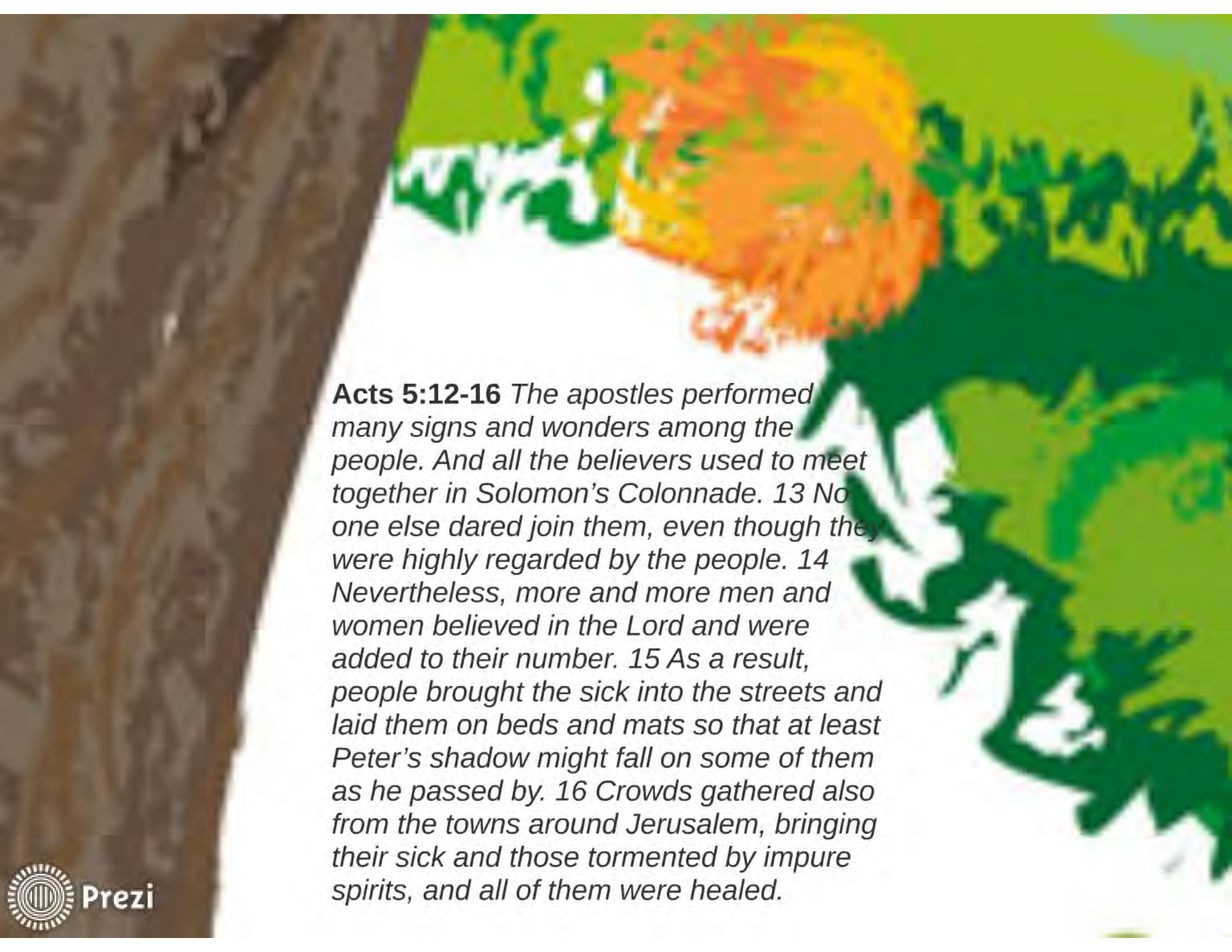
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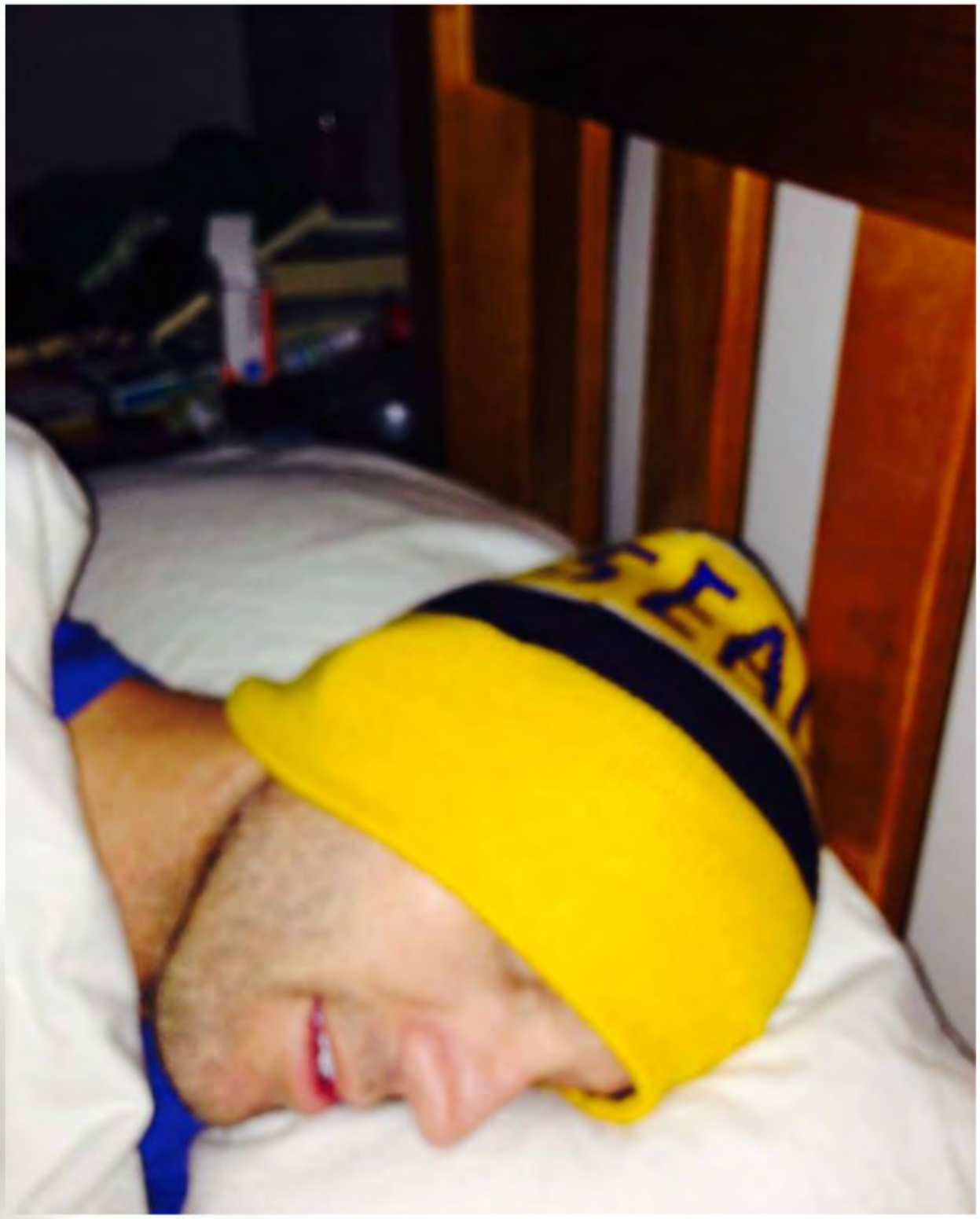
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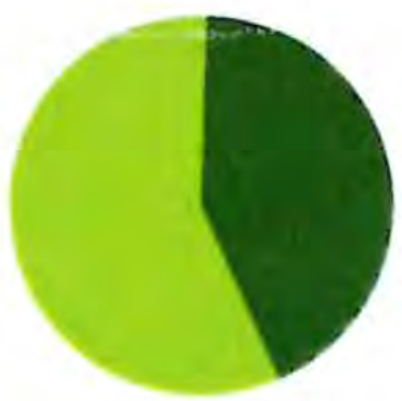






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**45%**  
of homeless  
are female

- **43.5%** of homeless are fleeing domestic violence & relationship issues.
  - **Nearly 60%** of homeless are under the age of 35.
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**RELIEF**  
**HOPE**  
**COMPASSION**







THE START OF BIGGER THINGS



## MAKE JULY THE MONTH TO DONATE TO PERTH'S HOMELESS.

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With over 2,000 homeless people in WA struggling this Winter you can make a direct difference to their lives.

**A \$50 donation during the month of July purchases a One Bag.** This One Bag is a re-usable backpack stuffed full of basic food & toiletries (RRP \$50) which is given directly to a Perth homeless person.

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DIGNITY

*No act of kindness, no matter  
how small, is ever wasted.*  
- Aesop



To donate a One Bag that will go directly to a Perth  
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