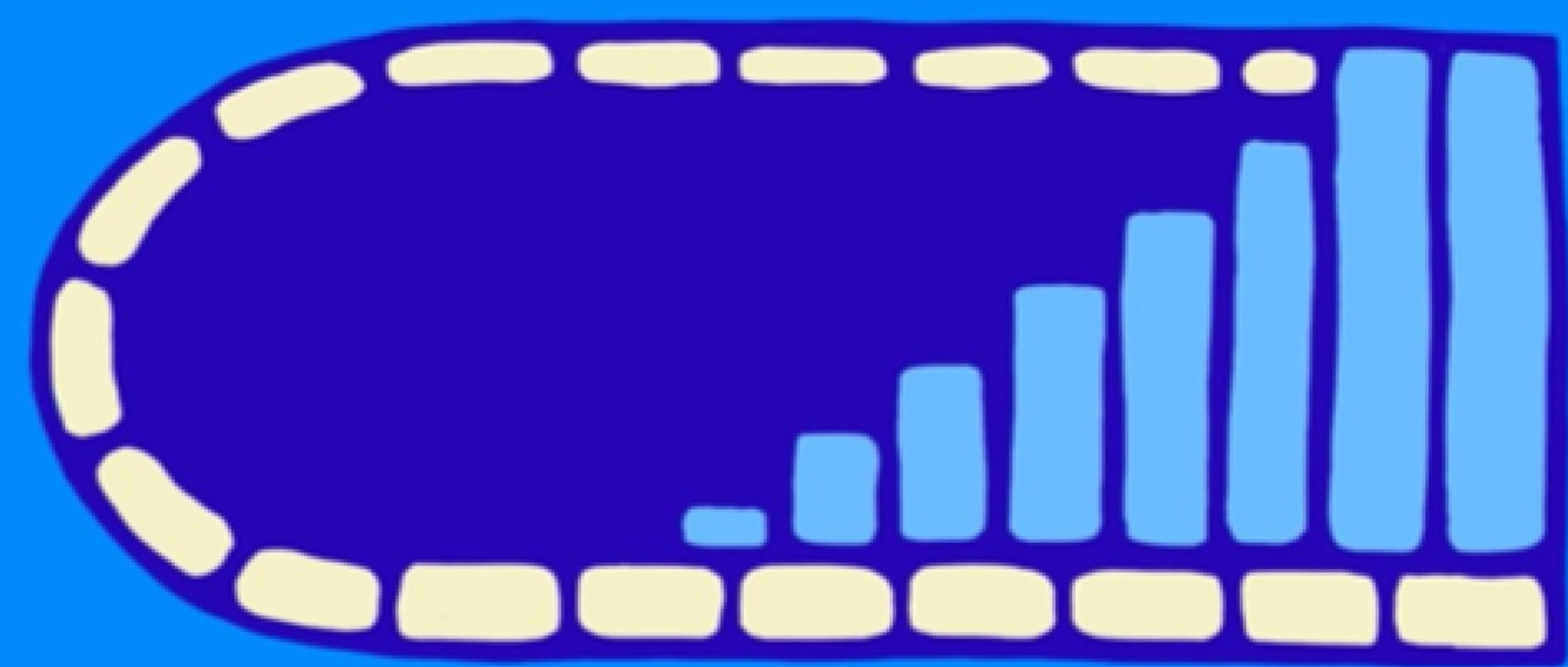


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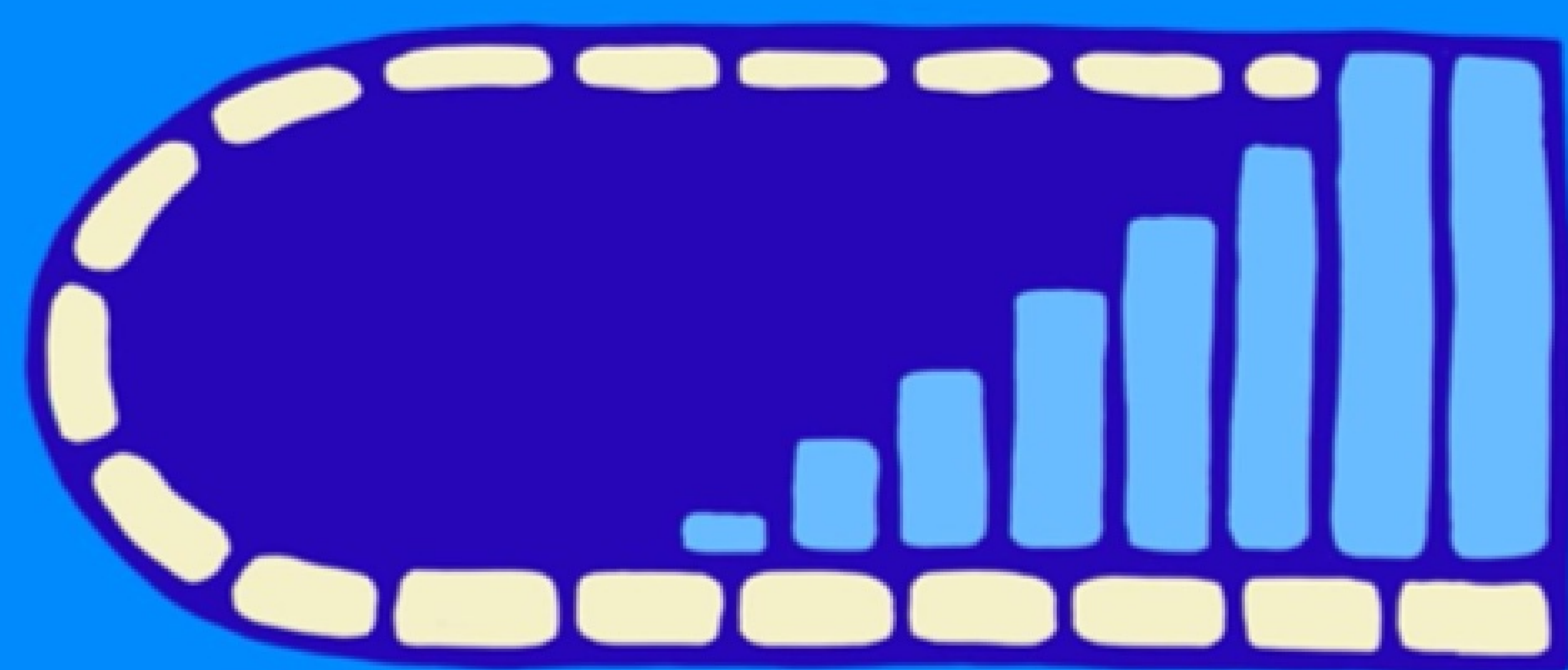


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Ephesians 5:1 – 2

Follow God's example, therefore, as dearly loved children and walk in the way of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.



Before we are ever to be
husband and wife, we are
brothers and sisters in Christ.



Marriage is meant to be a reflection of God's promises to us, that we would each lay down our own life, as Christ did for each sinful person, and serve the other as they find the fullness of Christ in their life and then live it out in community with their spouse and potentially children.



1:18 - I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people

2:4 - But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy

3:16 - I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being

5:21 - Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ.

Submit to one another
because that is the way
of the Kingdom of God.



Our role model in
marriage (for men +
women) is Jesus.



Men, our headship should reflect Christ and his love for the church thereby making the marriage and home the most secure, trustworthy and affectionate place a person could possibly be.



Functional vs. Hierarchical

Galatians 5:13

You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh; rather, serve one another humbly in love.



Understanding the true
gospel is the answer to
so many issues in marriage.



Jesus anticipated joy beyond
the moment of hardship.



1 Corinthians 13:4 – 5

Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs.



The Joy of Marriage
by Tim Keller

The Gift of Sex
by Penner and Penner

Restoring the Pleasure
by Penner and Penner



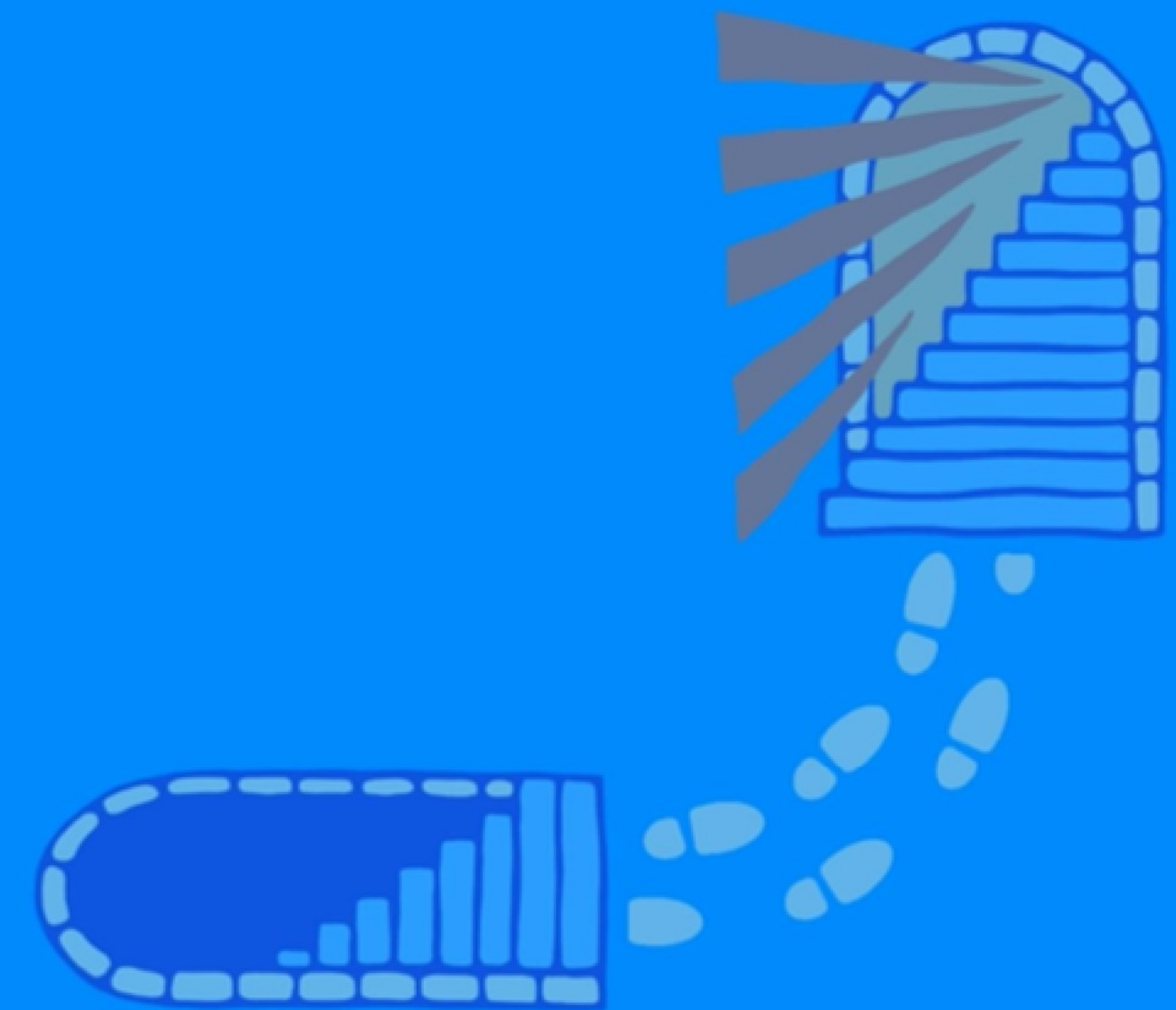
2 Corinthians 5:15

And he died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him who died for them and was raised again.



Marriage isn't about fixing our spouse.

- Popular Christian response
- World's response
- Biblical response



Ephesians 5:33

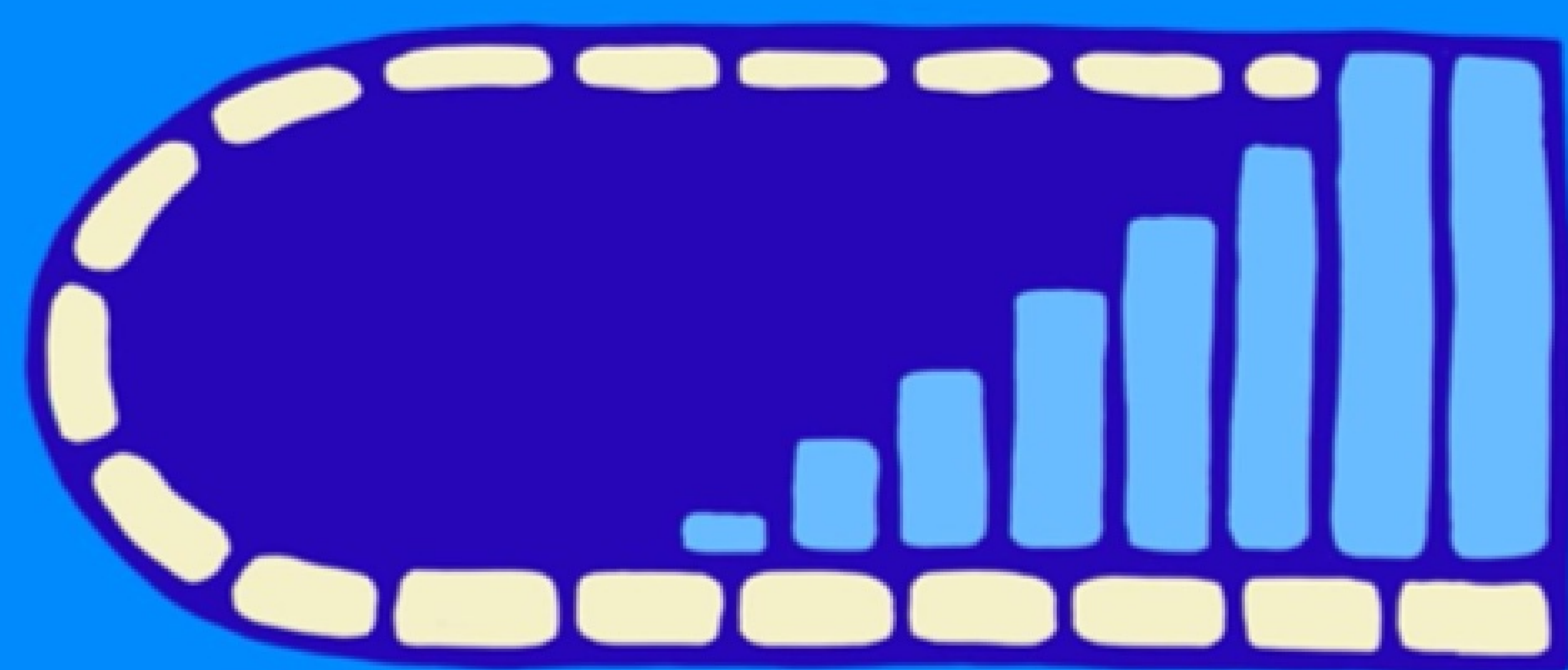
However, each one of you also must love his wife as he loves himself, and the wife must respect her husband.



**What godly trait do you need to develop
that would improve your relationships?**



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