



Freedom

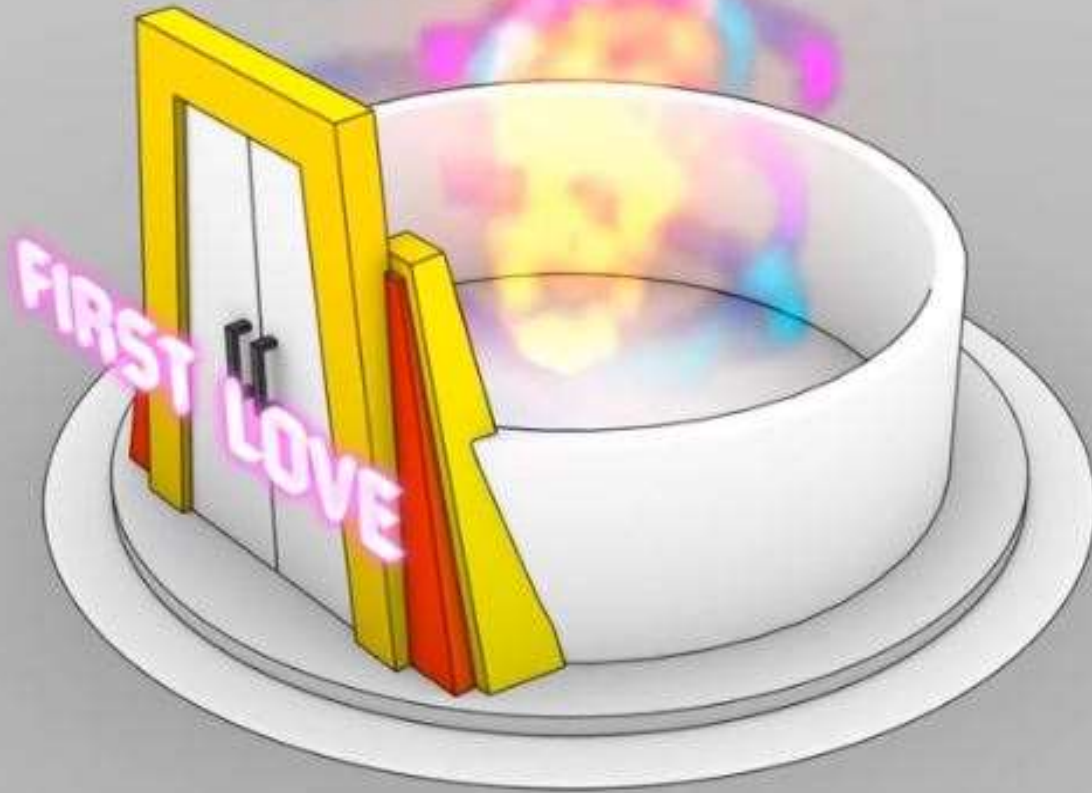
Apostolic Resources

Encountering God

- Rev 3:²⁰ Behold, I stand at the door and knock; if anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and will dine with him, and he with Me.
- Activate your imagination
- Close your eyes
- Picture a door with light around it
- Use a natural image



GLORY
OF
GOD



Encountering God



- Imagine door: gateway of first love
- Behind door is pure love
- God is saying “please let me in”
- Picture the door of first love
- Reach for the handle and open it
- See God (involves all our senses)
- See glory and fire, presence, feel warmth in your belly, feel His embrace

Encountering God

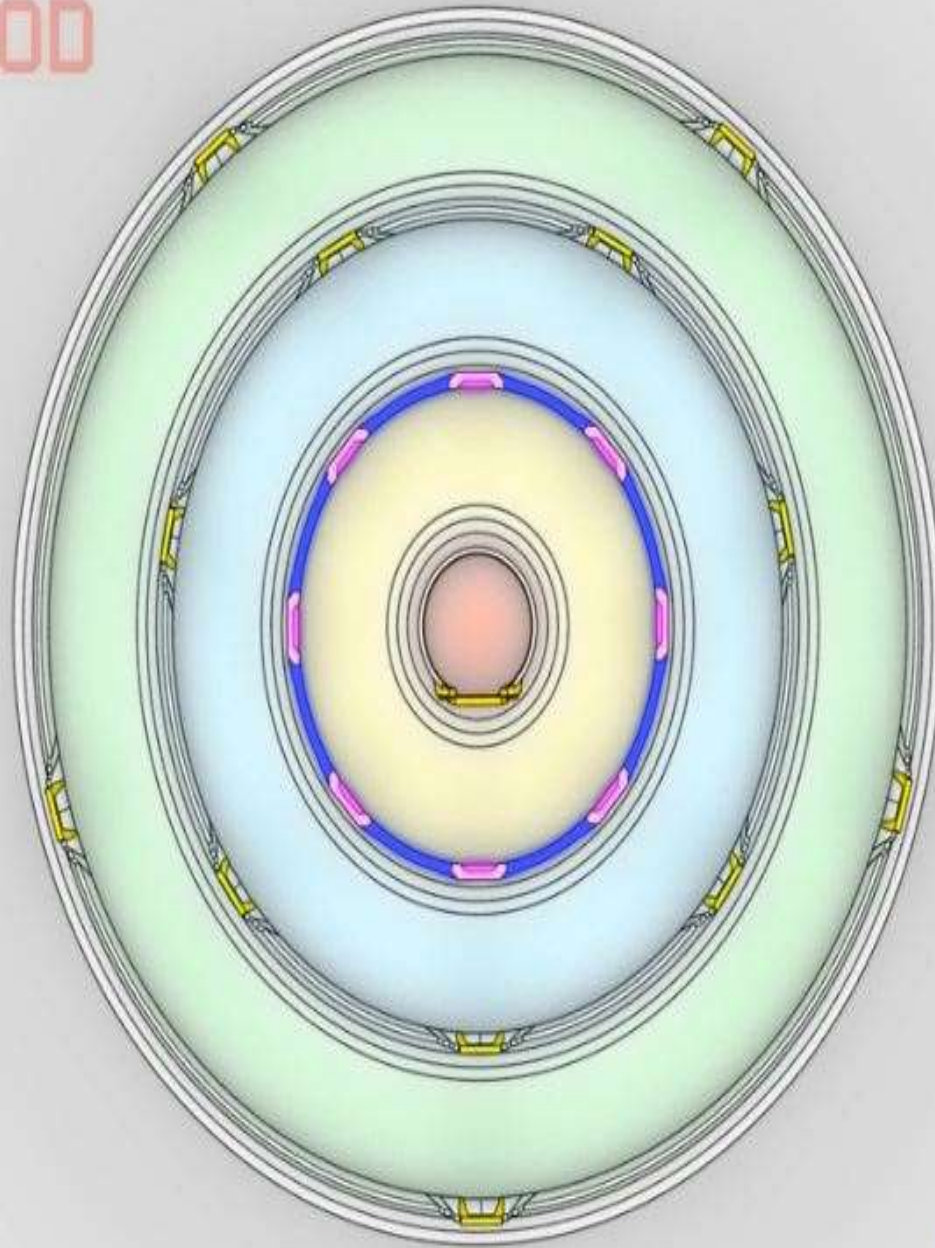
- First love – remember – emotions, excitement, anticipation?
- First love – remember – hurts, pains, emotional damage?
- Rev 2: 2 ‘I know your deeds and your toil and perseverance, ³ and you have perseverance and have endured for My name’s sake, and have not grown weary. ⁴ But I have this against you, that you have left your first love. ⁵ Therefore remember from where you have fallen, and repent and do the deeds you did at first.

GLORY OF GOD

SPIRIT

SOUL

BODY



GATES

REVERENCE

FAITH

HOPE

WORSHIP

REVELATION

INTUITION

FEAR OF GOD

PRAYER

GOD CONSCIOUS

Encountering God

- Imagine a door, behind it is pure love.
- Open it and feel it (involves all our senses)
- Open door or gate and see glory, fire, presence, feel warmth in your belly
- Feel His embrace
- Feel His presence
- Look around, see the other gateways
- He takes your hand and leads you

Encountering God

- You walk over to the door with Jesus and open it
- You invite Jesus to be Lord of that gateway
- You walk through it with Jesus
- Let the thoughts and feelings of God flow

Encountering God

- What does it feel like ? What are the thoughts that flow? What do you see?
- Example: Reverence – honour, respect, repute, majesty, wonder
- Let those feelings and thoughts flow to your conscience
- Let them wash over your conscience
- How does it feel?

Encountering God

- Feelings touch your conscience – protect you, guard you and guide you in your instant decision making
- Flow to your eyes, ears – protect you, as the eyes are the window of soul
- Focus on the Light, not darkness
- Protect ears against gossip criticism – guard and protect you from listening to negativity
- Faith comes through hearing.

Encountering God

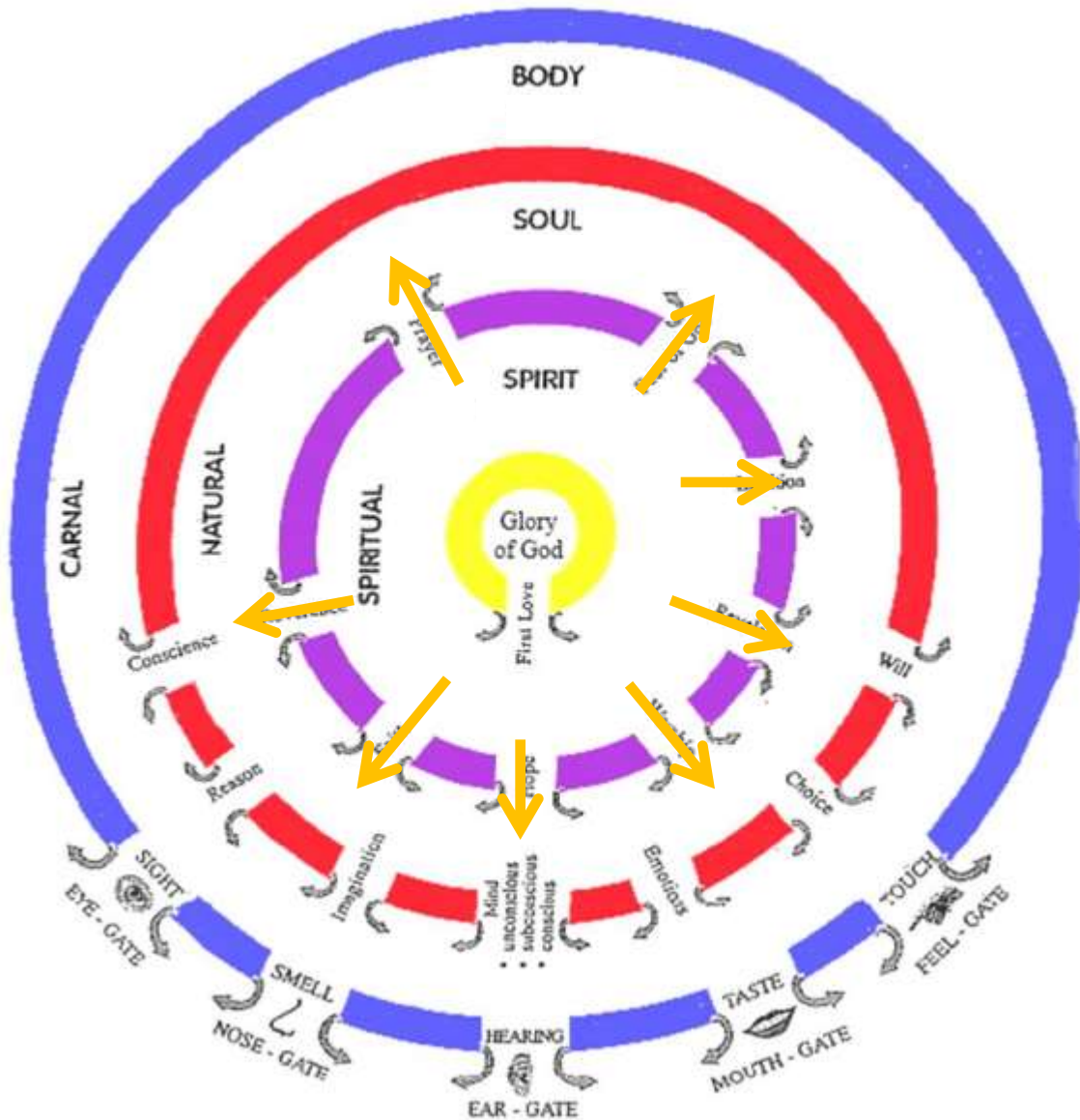
- 2 Kings 6:16 So he answered, “Do not fear, for those who are with us are more than those who are with them.”¹⁷ Then Elisha prayed and said, “O Lord, I pray, open his eyes that he may see.” And the Lord opened the servant’s eyes and he saw; and behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire all around Elisha.

Encountering God

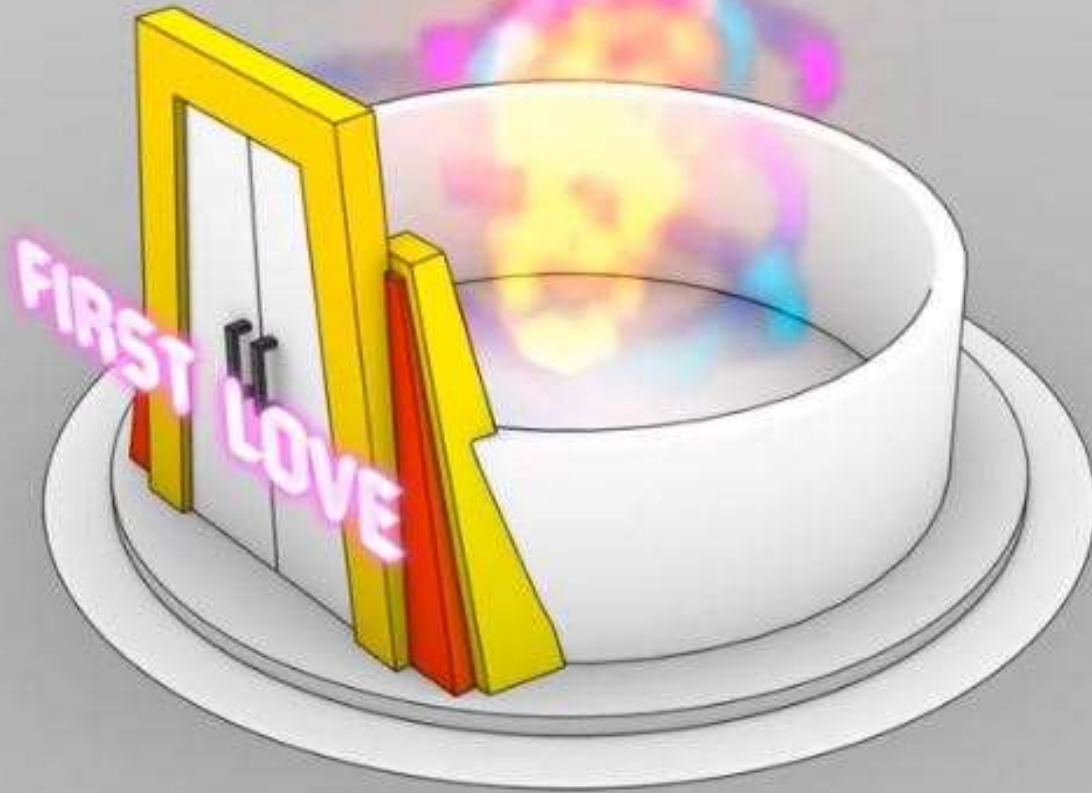
- Born again spiritually
- Flesh and spirit start wrestling for control
- Resonating testimonies start to compete
- Gal 5:17 For the flesh sets its desire against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; for these are in opposition to one another, so that you may not do the things that you please.

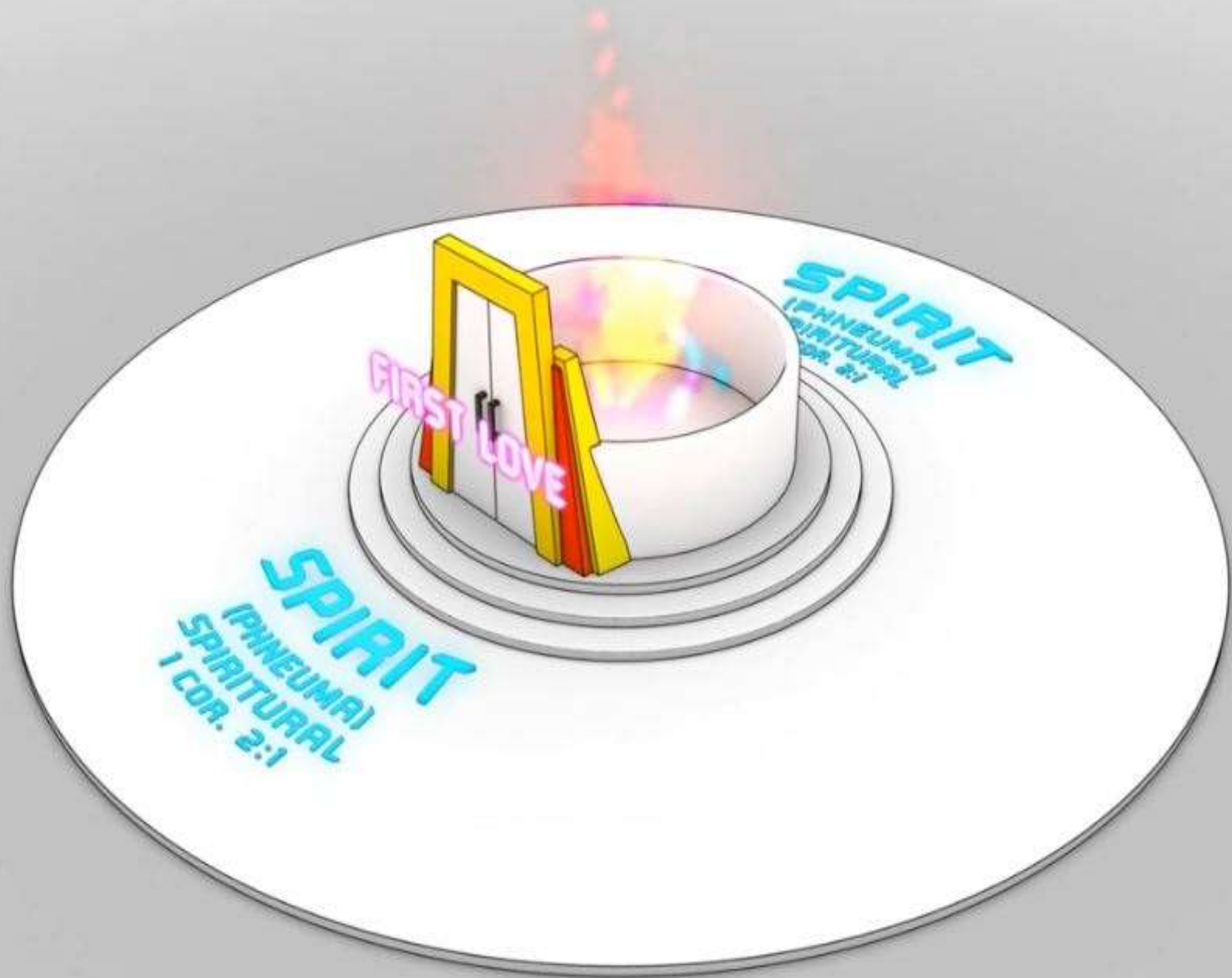
Encountering God

- 2 Cor 4:16 .. our inner man is being **renewed** day by day.
- Col 3:10 and have put on the new self who is being **renewed** to a true knowledge according to the image of the One who created him
- Eph 4:23 that you be **renewed** in the spirit of your mind



GLORY
OF
GOD

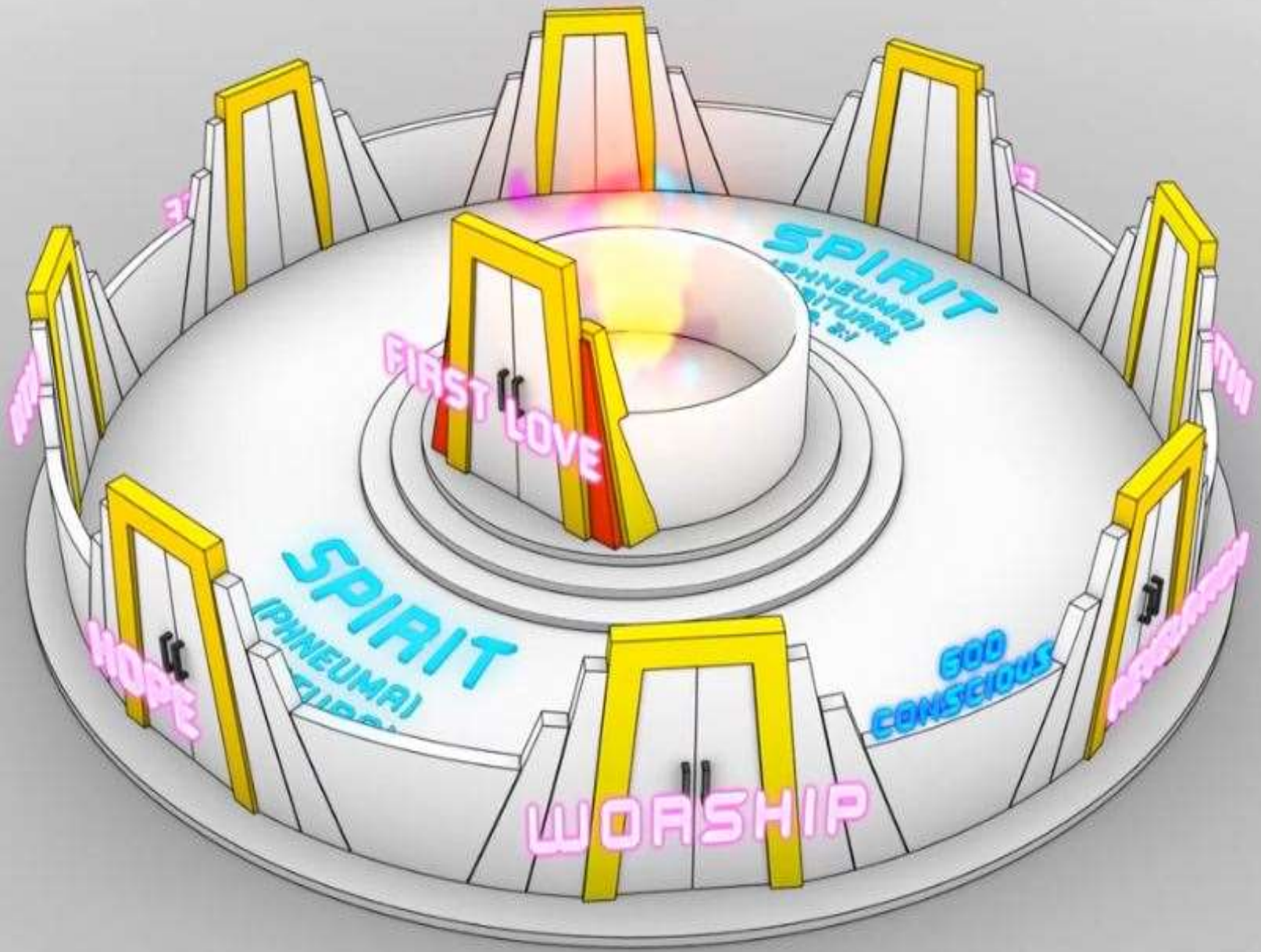


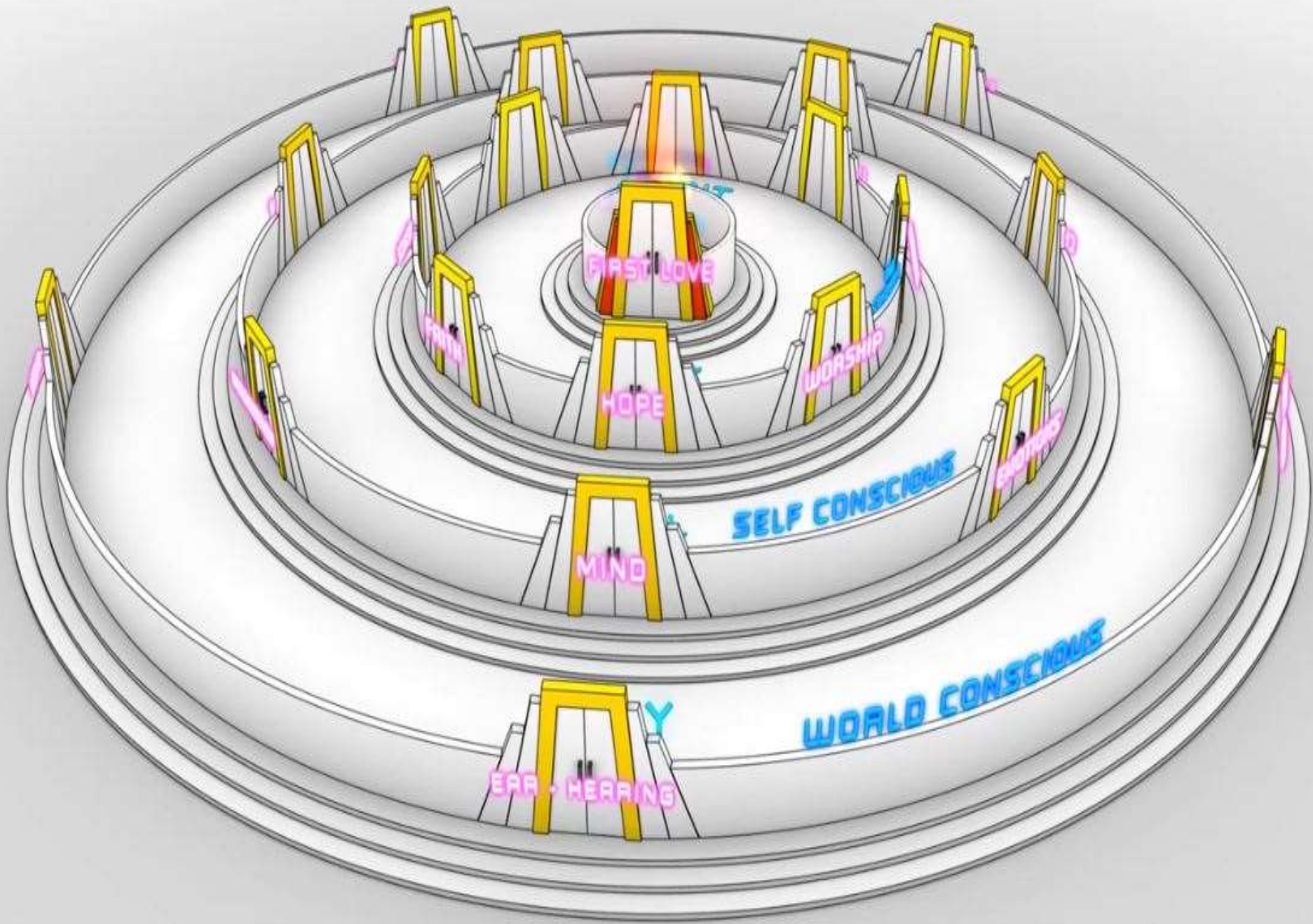


FIRST LOVE

SPIRIT
(PNEUMAT)
SPIRITUAL
1 COR. 2:1

SPIRIT
(PNEUMAT)
SPIRITUAL
1 COR. 2:1





Encountering God

- Heart – physical organ
- Heart – emotions
- Heart – soul
- Heart – inner life
- Heart – personality
- Heart – record of DNA
- Heart – sub-conscious mind

Encountering God

- Heart is the centre of all the operations of human life.
- "Heart" and "soul" are often used interchangeably
- The heart is the home of the personal life
- The heart is also the seat of the conscience

Encountering God

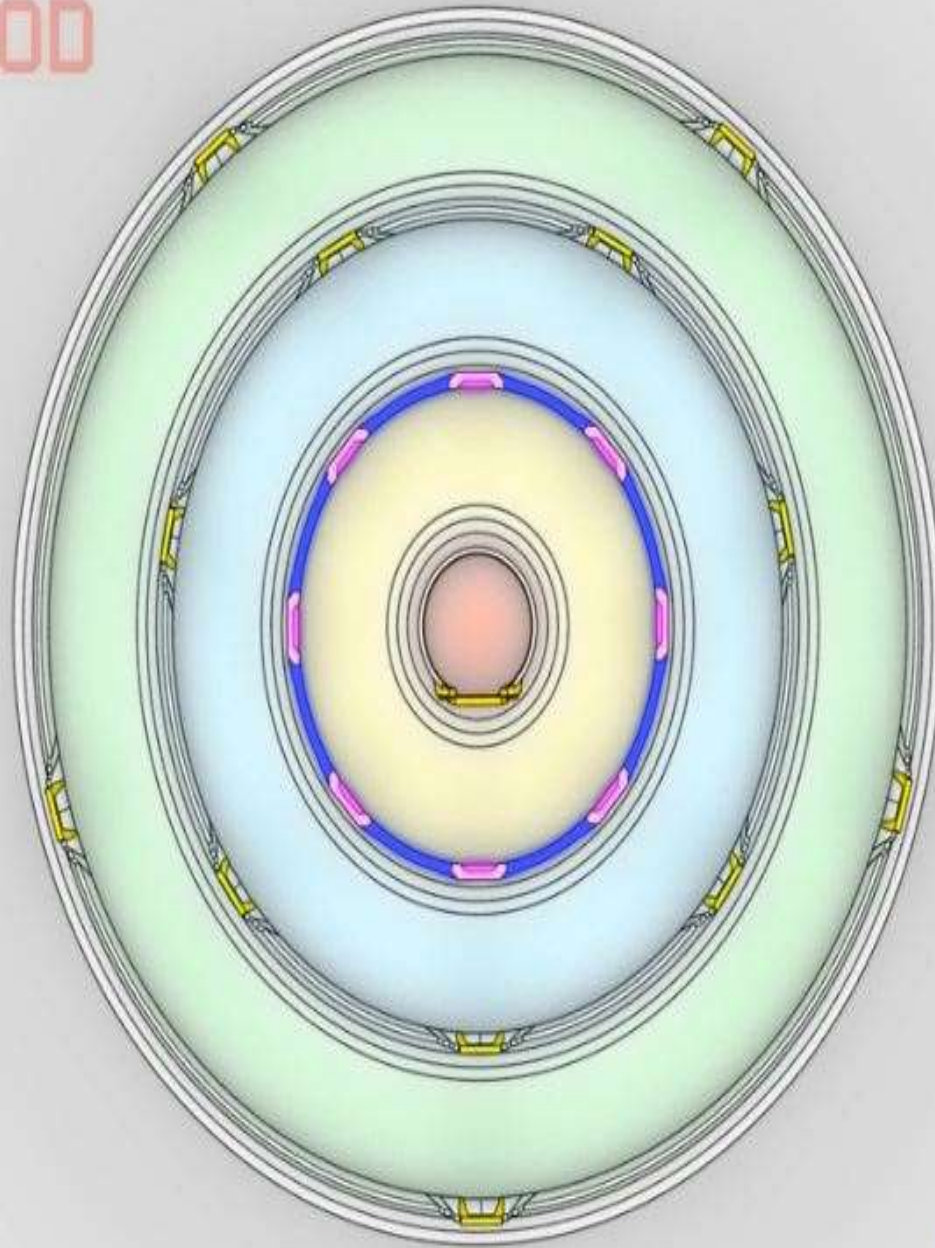
- Jer 17:9 The heart is deceitful above all things, And desperately wicked; Who can know it?
- Prov 23:7 For as he thinks in his heart, so is he.
- Matt 12:34 For the mouth speaks out of that which fills the heart.
- Prov 4:23 Watch over your heart with all diligence, For from it *flow* the springs of life.

GLORY OF GOD

SPIRIT

SOUL

BODY



GATES

REVERENCE

FAITH

HOPE

WORSHIP

REVELATION

INTUITION

FEAR OF GOD

PRAYER

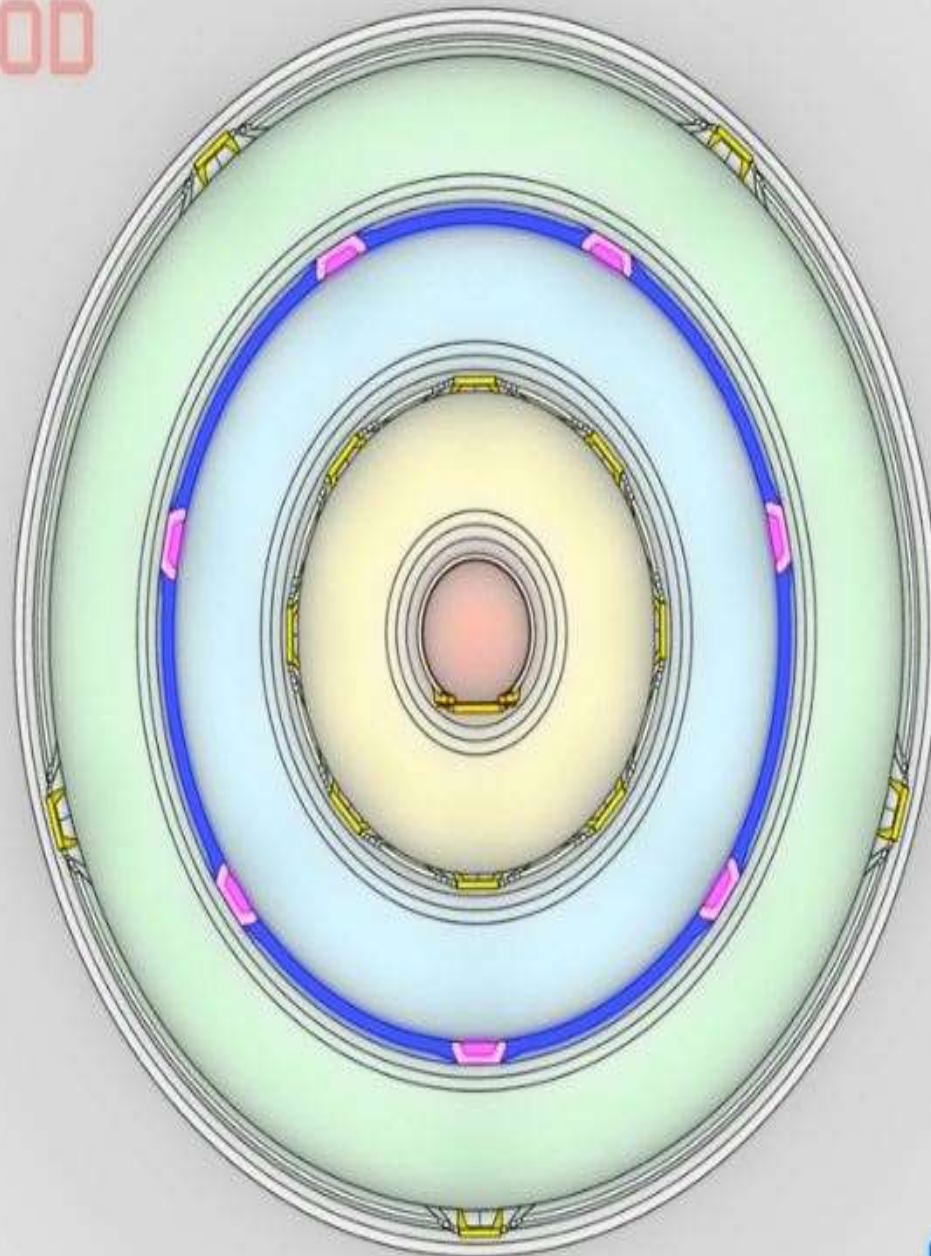
GOD CONSCIOUS

GLORY OF GOD

SPIRIT

SOUL

BODY



GATES

CONSCIENCE

REASON

IMAGINATION

MIND

EMOTIONS

CHOICES

WILL

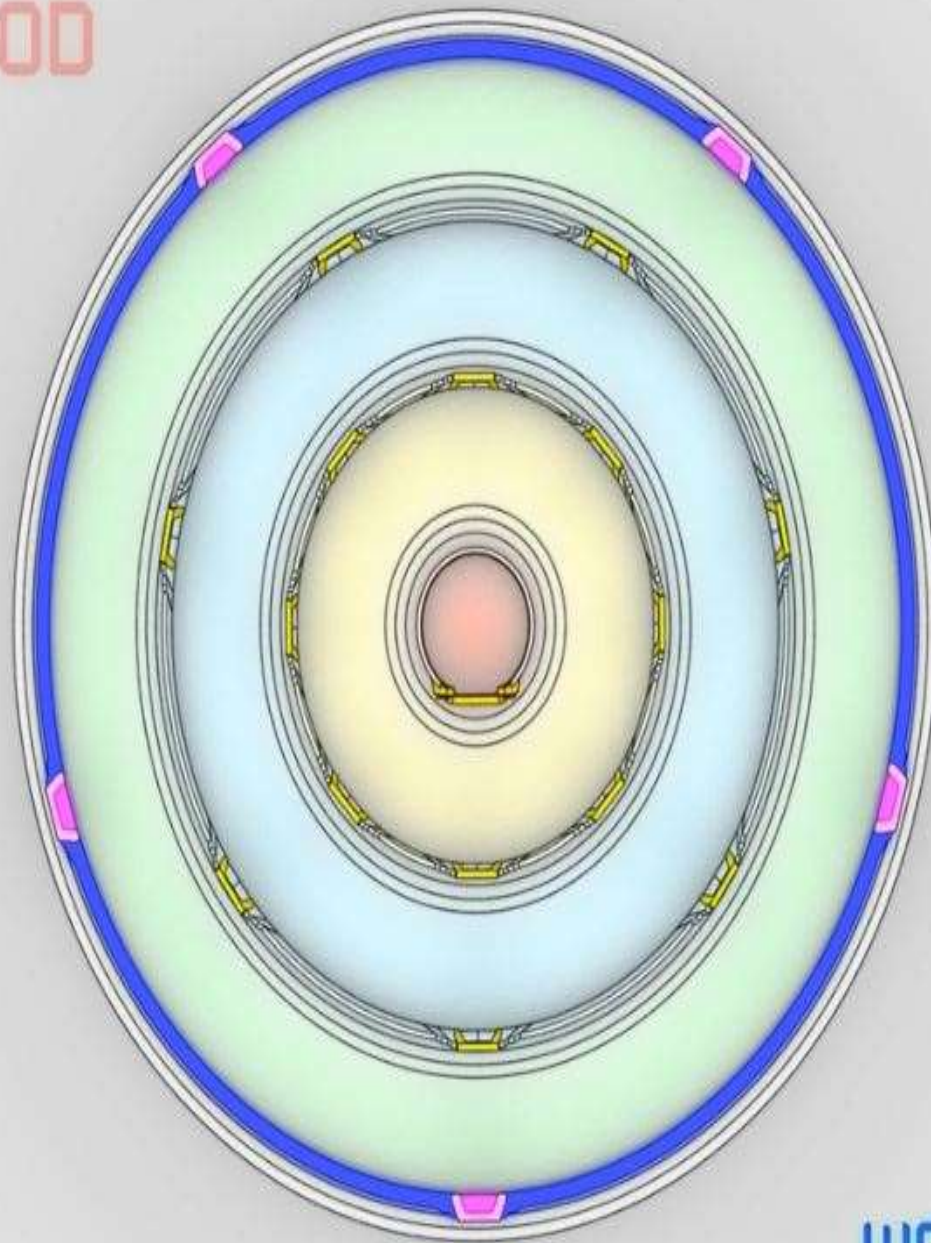
SELF CONSCIOUS

GLORY OF GOD

SPIRIT

SOUL

BODY



GATES

MOUTH - TASTE

NOSE - SMELL

EAR - HEARING

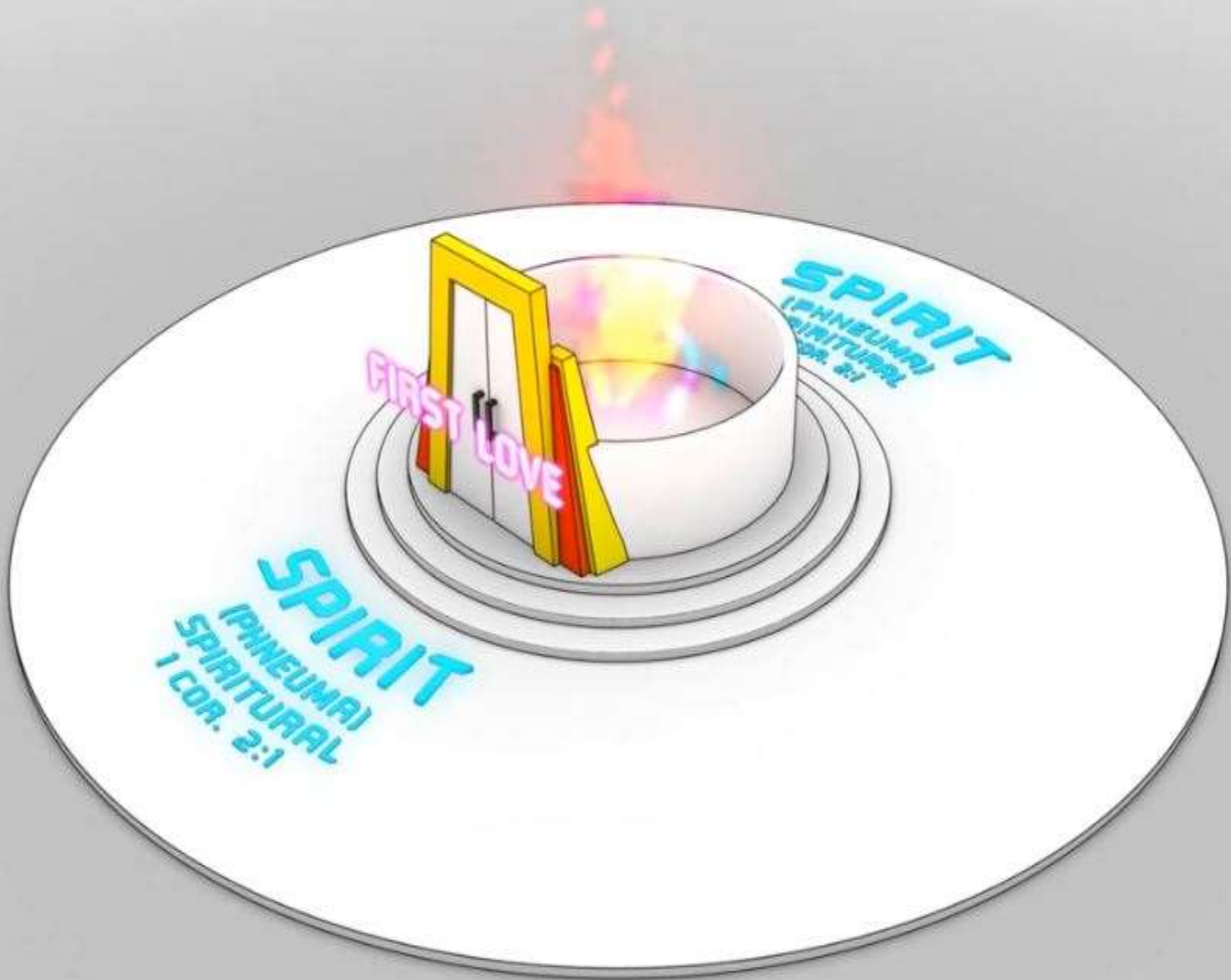
FEEL - TOUCH

EYE - SIGHT

WORLD CONSCIOUS

Encountering God

- How much do you desire intimacy?
- Set your heart towards it
- Set your desire upon it
- Pursue your desire
- Intimacy – hear, see, feel, experience
- Sound, frequency, song of heaven
- Resonate and harmonise with



FIRST LOVE

SPIRIT
(PNEUMAI)
SPIRITUAL
1 COR. 2:1

SPIRIT
(PNEUMAI)
SPIRITUAL
1 COR. 2:1

Encountering God

- Father – wounds
- Father-image, hinder, can block intimacy
- Father seen as an authoritarian, waiting to punish us
- Discipline = training and equipping, not punishment
- Can't be a son without a Father
- Healed but not restored

Encountering God

- ‘Prodigal’ exercise
- Image: worst sin you have ever committed – guilt, shame, condemnation – wasted your inheritance
- Imagine coming to Father, head bowed in shame, willing to be a servant
- Look up and see the Father waiting, arms open, love in His eyes

Encountering God

- Feel His loving embrace
- Feel the rings of sonship He puts on your finger
- Feel the clean robes He puts on you
- Enjoy the joy and celebration of His heart
- Feel His acceptance and restoring love
- Feel His affirmation

Encountering God

- We are under an open heaven
- I declare you are my beloved son and I am well pleased with you
- I call you My children. I am your Father: you are mine and I am yours
- I legitimise you as my child
- I call forth your spiritual destiny

Encountering God

- I call your spirit to attention
- Listen with your spirit to the words that I, your heavenly Father, have for you
- The Spirit of your Father gives witness to your spirit that you are My son

Encountering God

- I bless your spirit with the spirit of sonship and the mindset of sonship
- I bless you with a deep heart identity as My very own child, securely loved in My family

Encountering God

- I bless you with the settled assurance that I have a future and hope for you. I have written your days in My book with love, for your best interest and My ultimate glory
- I bless you with the deep knowledge that I know what you need and that I have all the resources of the universe to meet that need

Encountering God

- Listen with your spirit to My words for you
- My Spirit testifies to your spirit that you are My child
- I bless you with the ears to hear the testimony of the Spirit of the Lord, the Spirit of knowledge, wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel, power and fear of the Lord

Encountering God

- I bless you with being tuned in to Me with eyes for seeing, ears for hearing and a mind for understanding according to the Spirit
- I bless you with being led by the fullness of My Spirit of truth to see things as I see them in the heavenly realms

Encountering God

- I bless you with the deep knowledge that you are an heir, with your brother Jesus, to all of My treasuries
- I bless you with the confidence that you lack for nothing that you need, spiritually, emotionally, mentally, physically and practically

Encountering God

- I bless you with the sure understanding that I want you to have My blessings and My glory to possess your birthright
- I bless you with the desire to press forward to see the glory that I am revealing

Encountering God

- I bless you with a heart that does not rebel or shrink back from the opportunities I put before you daily
- I bless you with a hunger for the manifestation of My glory day by day in you and through your life

Encountering God

- I declare that you are no longer a slave, orphan or victim
- I declare that you are mine and I am yours
- I am your inheritance and you are My inheritance

Encountering God

- I declare that I am your Father and you are My son and I give you access to your heavenly home
- I give you access to the river and tree of life in your heavenly home
- I call you to be a gateway of heaven on the earth
- You are my child and I call you to be displayed as a mature son on the earth



Freedom

Apostolic Resources

For more teaching from Mike Parsons,
please visit freedomtrust.org.uk/AR