

#### Matthew 16

"You cannot discern the signs of the times"

"Watch out and beware the leaven of the Pharisees and the Sadducees."

Then they understood that he was not telling them to guard against the yeast used in bread, but against the teaching of the Pharisees and Sadducees.

Matthew 16:12

"teaching" - "didache"

For the time is coming when people will not endure sound teaching, but having itching ears they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own passions, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander off into myths.

2 Timothy 4:3-4







# God's Character

One

Socially complex

Relational

Unity & Diversity

God's Character vs

Satan

Relational

Destroys relationships

Unity & diversity

Disunity/discord

Enjoins oneness

Pits one against another

Social order

Authority, submission, roles

Family, State, Church, Labor, God & Man, Community

Triune nature of God

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Psalm 19

John 15:8 "By this is my Father glorified, that you bear much fruit..."

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## Satan's Modus Operandi

Satan consolidates power at the top, increasingly enslaving people, making them dependent and destroying their desire and incentives to be fruitful

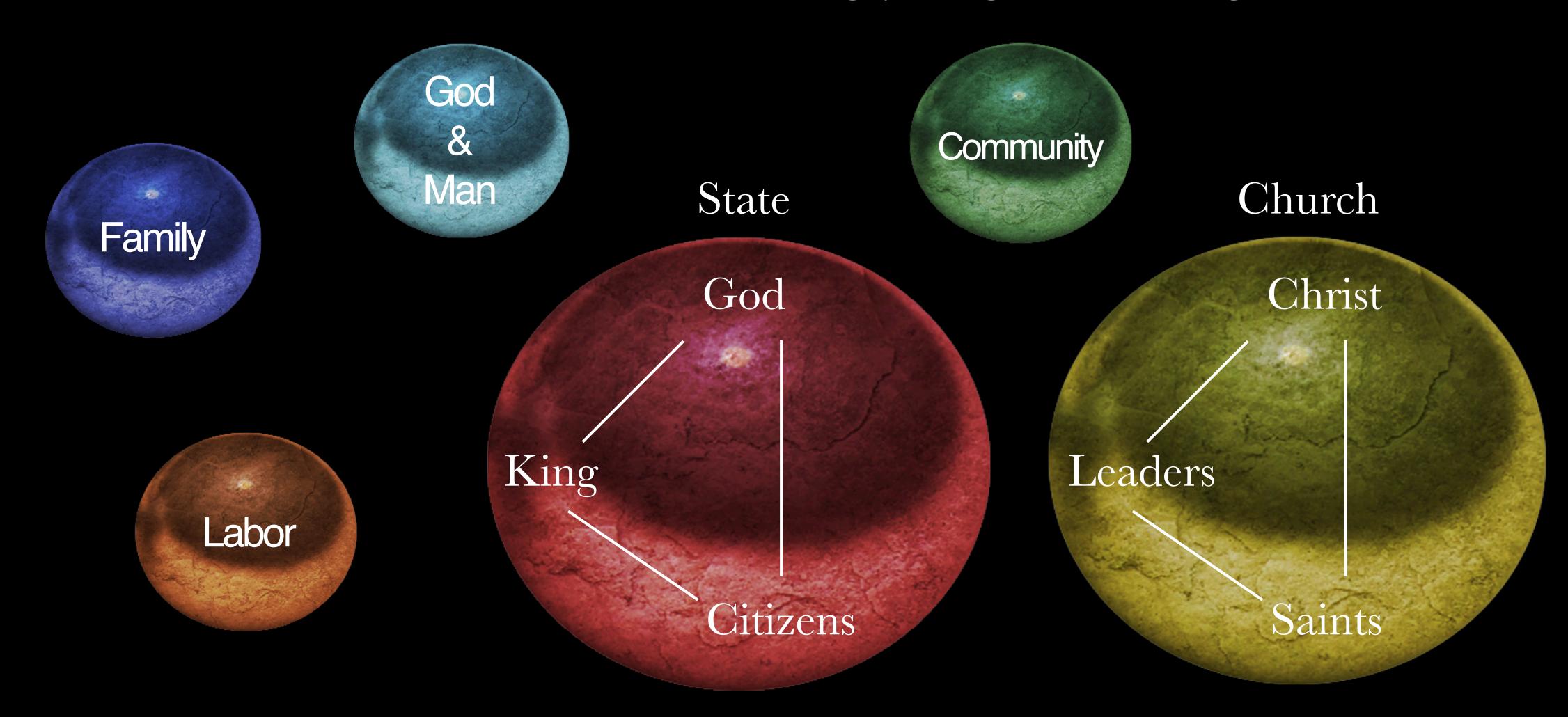
Obedience, Rejection & Consequences

Nebuchadnezzar

Church Saul, Uzziah State Christ God Sphere sovereignty King Leaders Saints Citizens

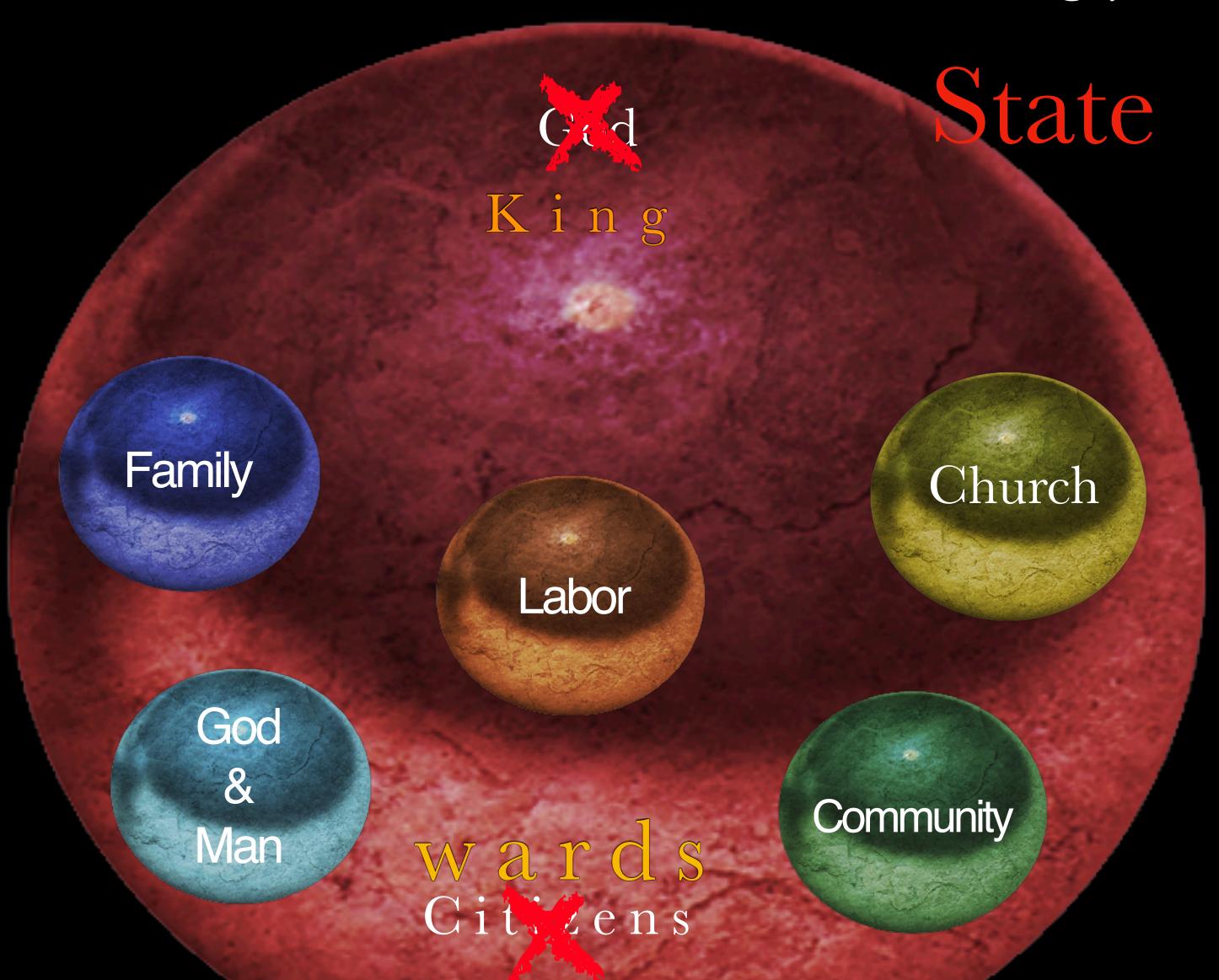
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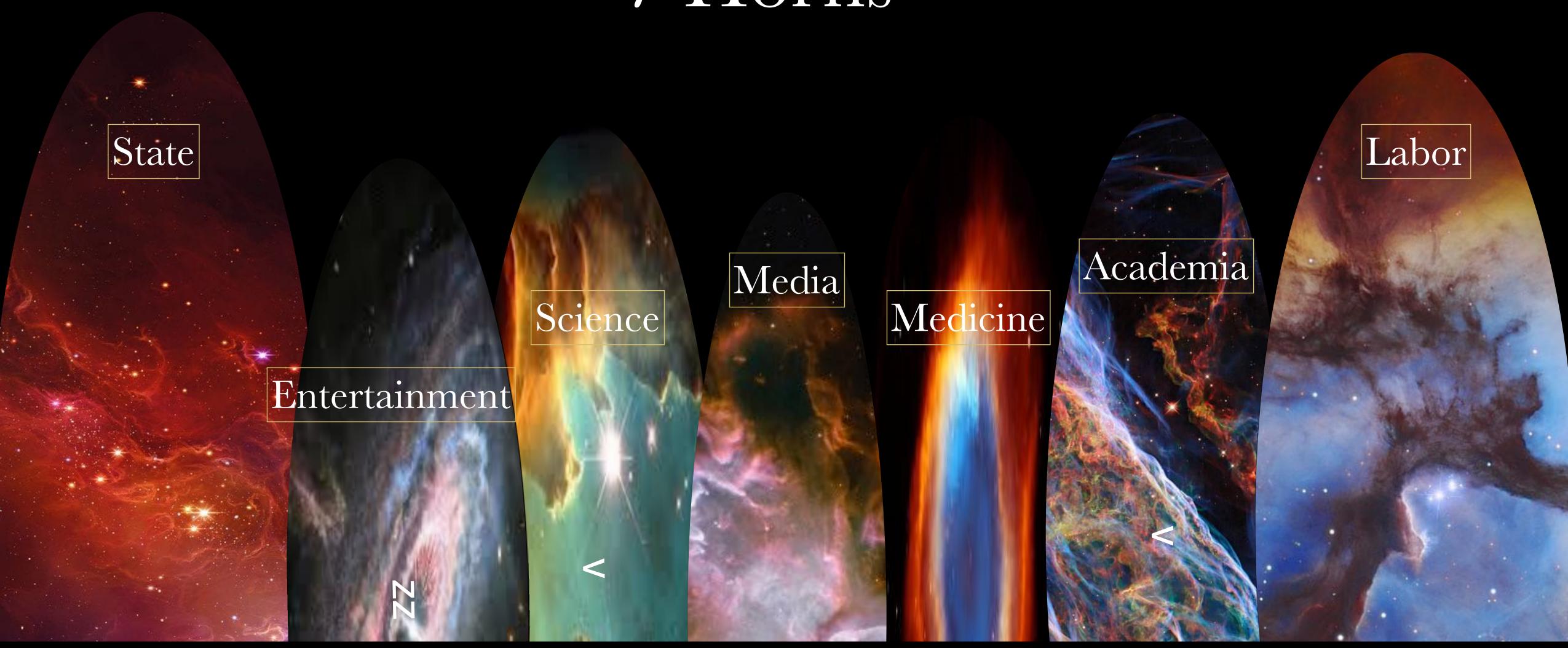
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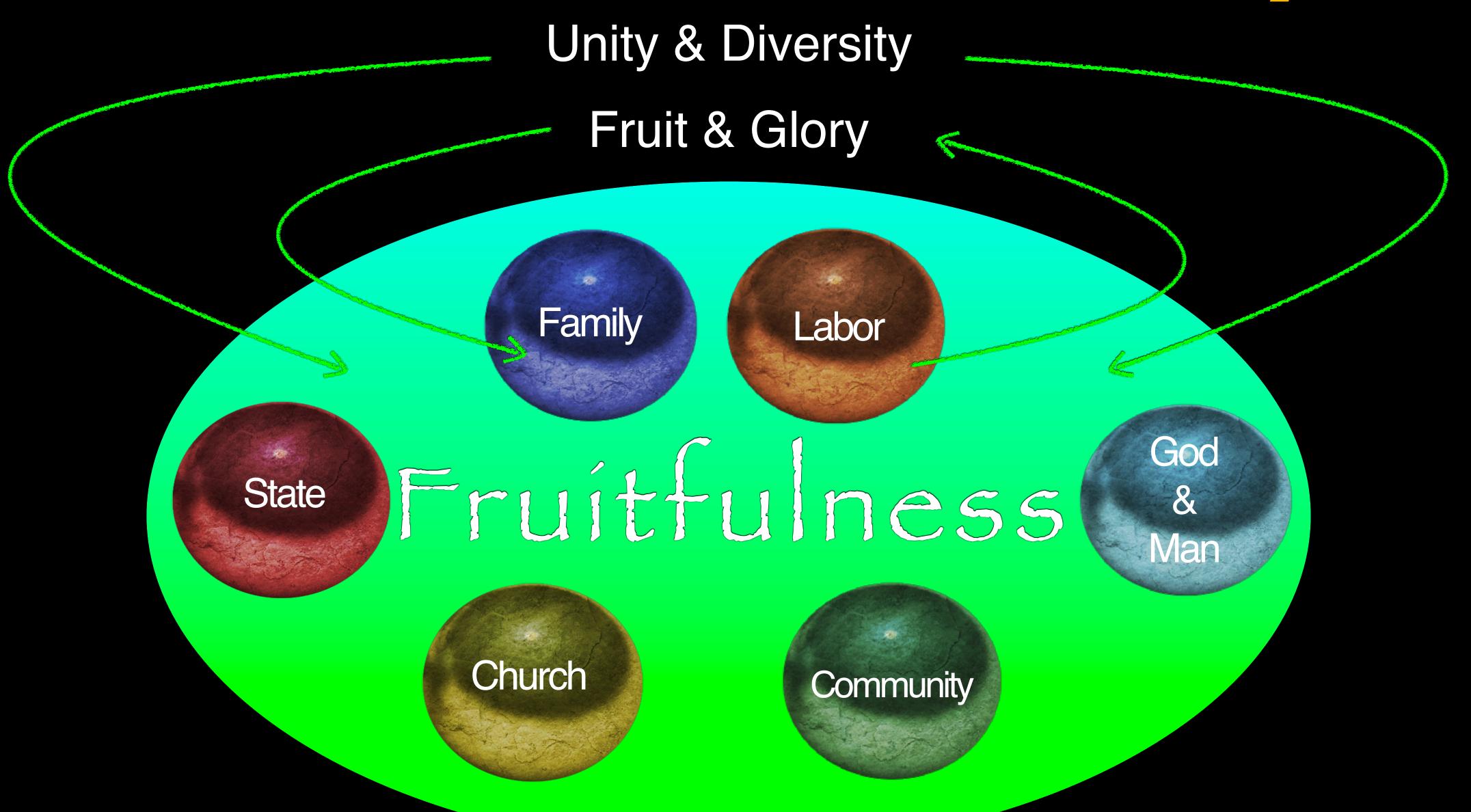
# 7 Horns





## God's Nature

# Modus Operandi



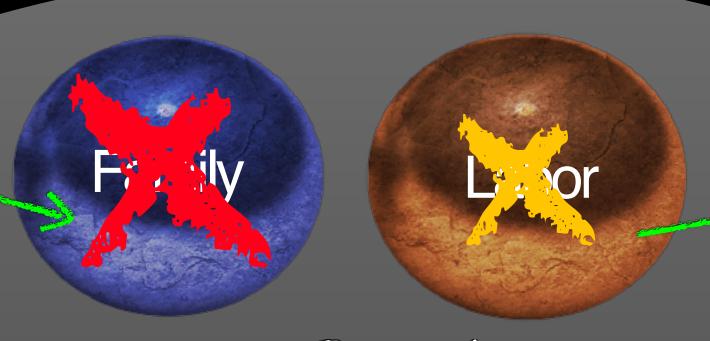
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Modus Operandi

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Unity & Diversity

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Fruitfulness



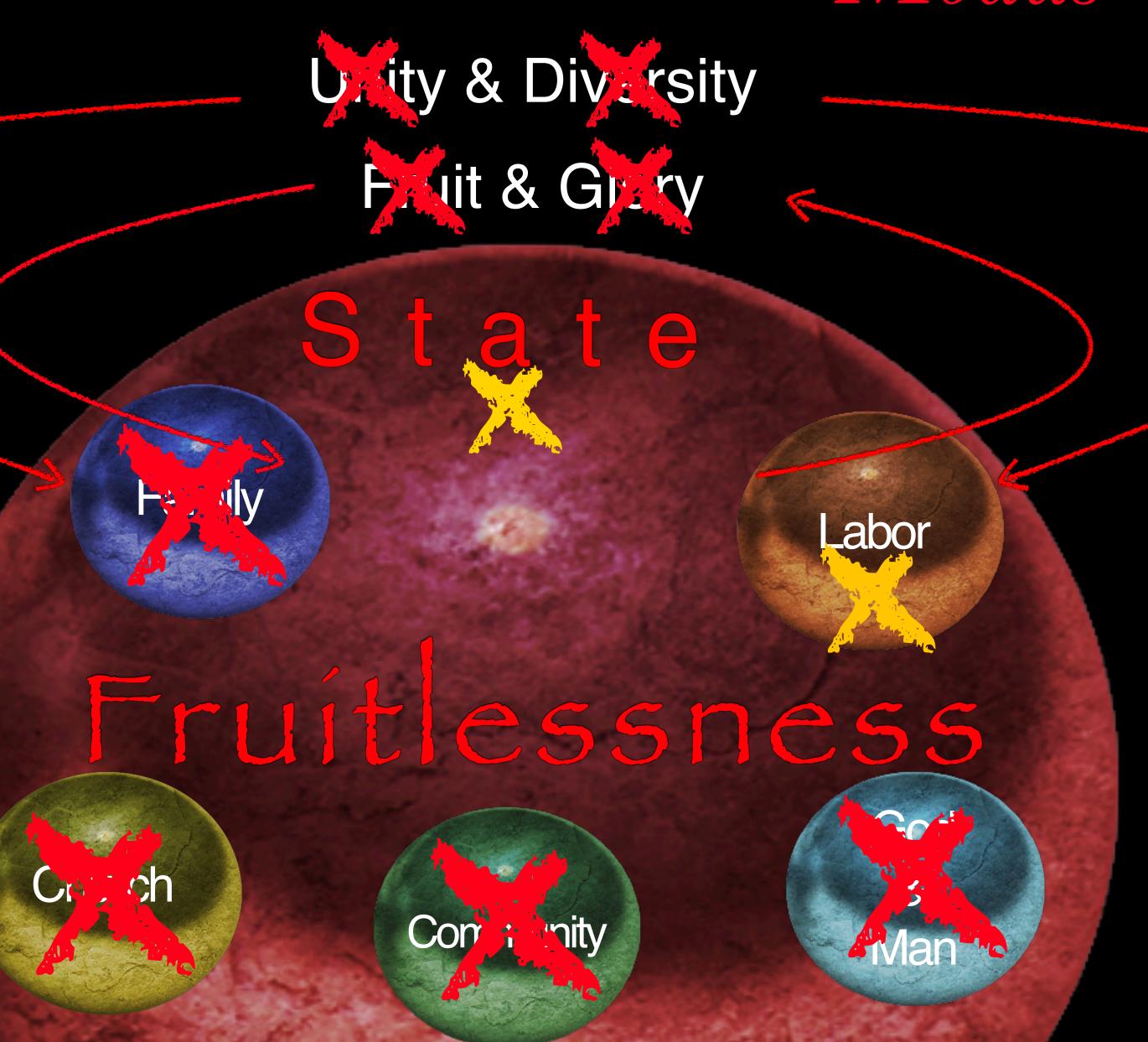


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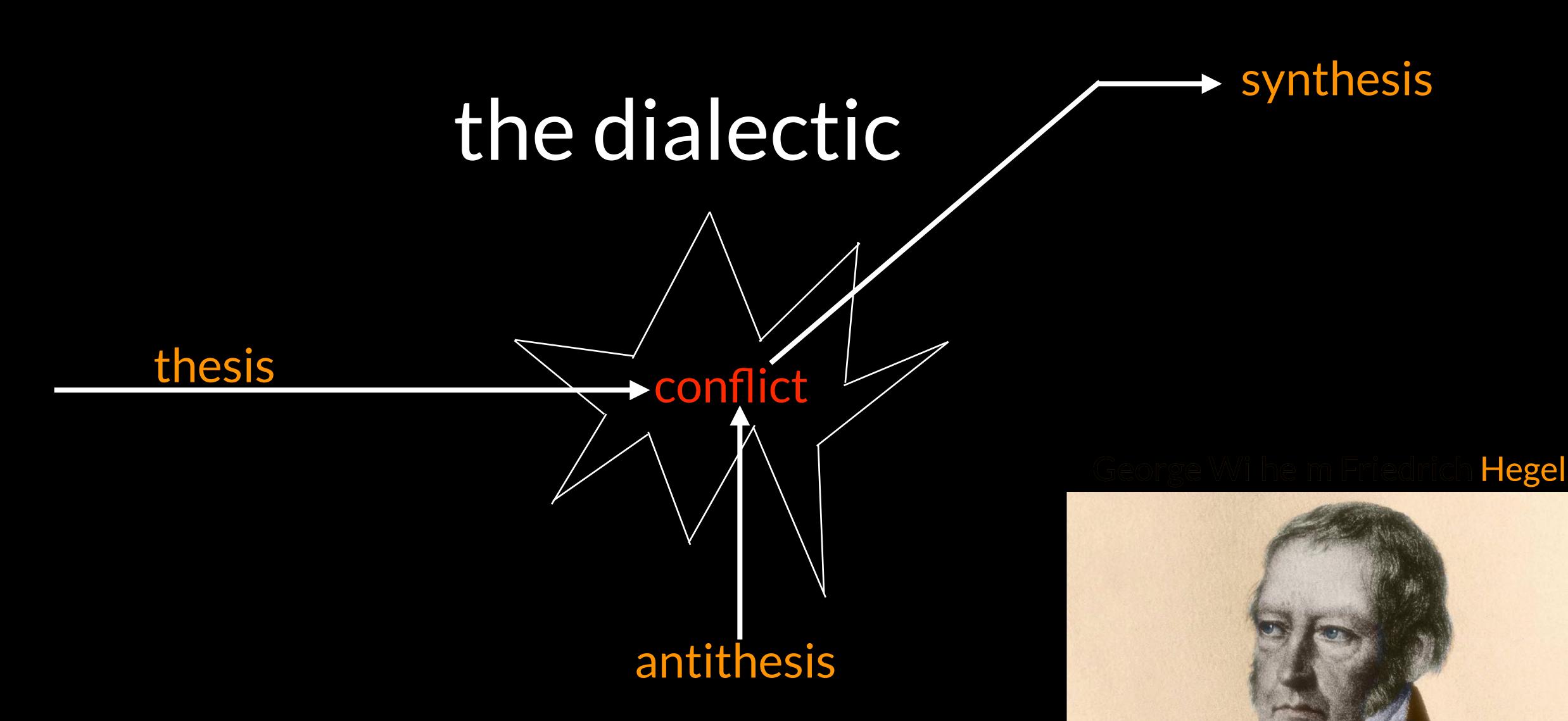


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No Incentive
No Creativity
Aquiesence
Dependency
Despondent
Hopeless



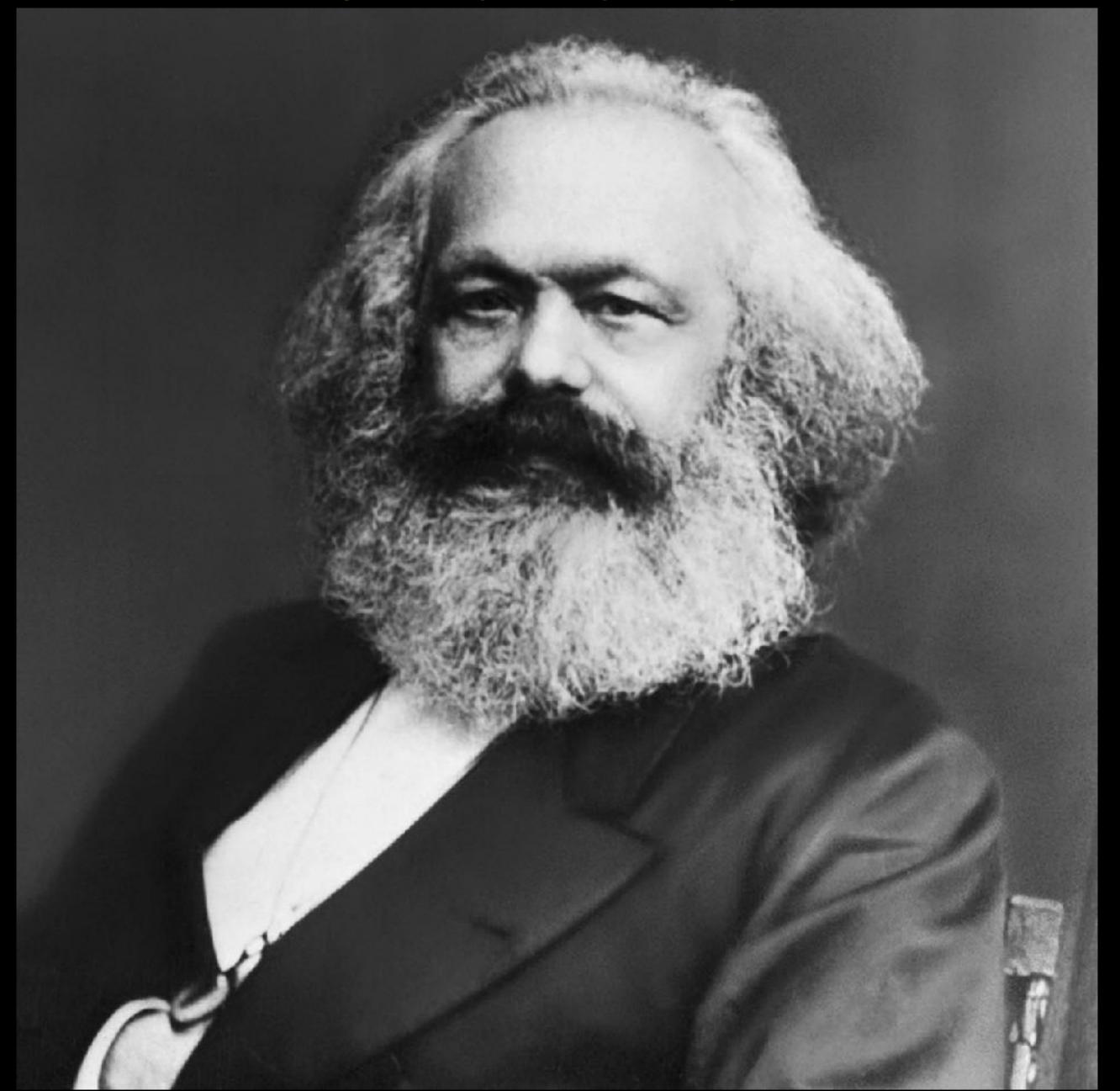
George Wilhelm Friedrich Hegel



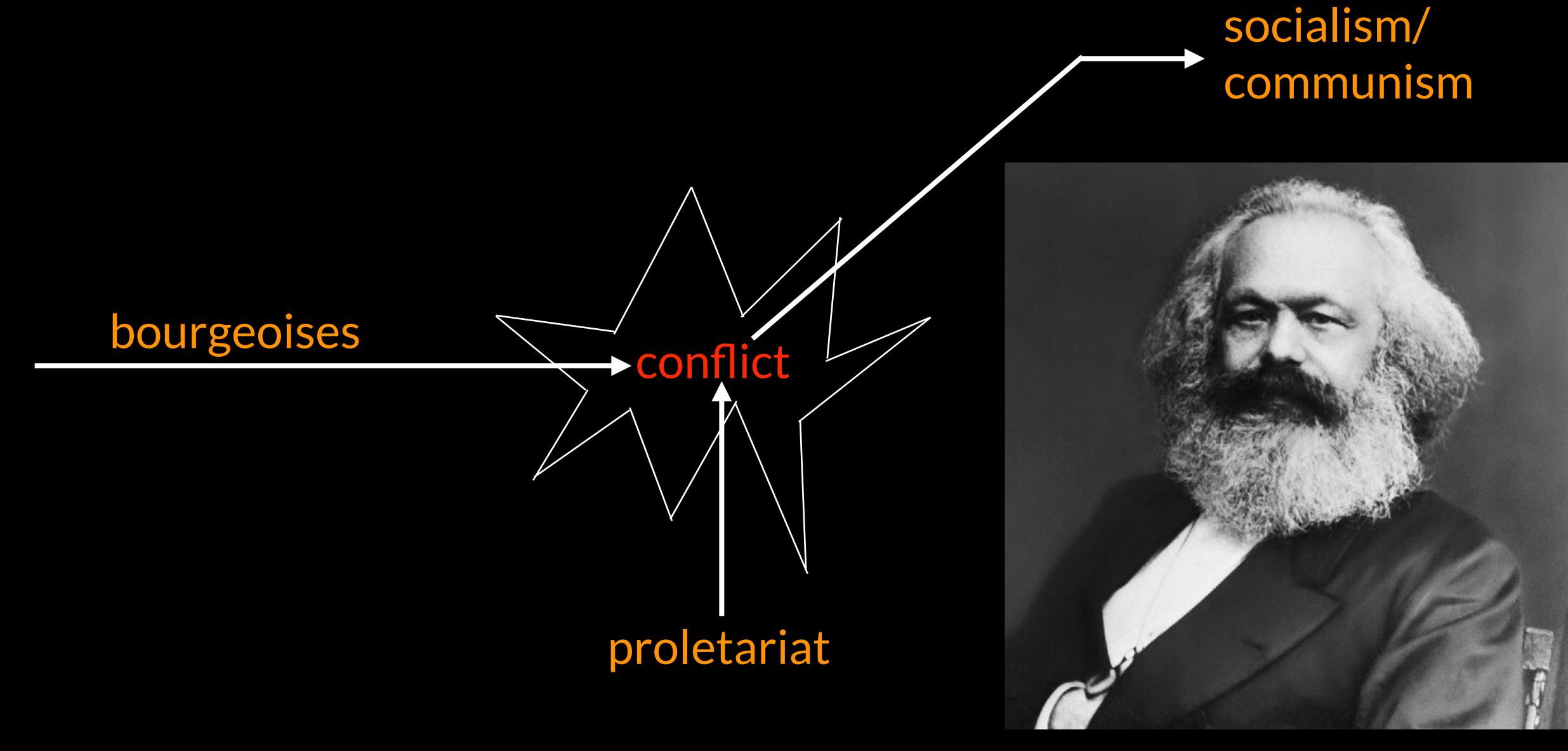


Hegel

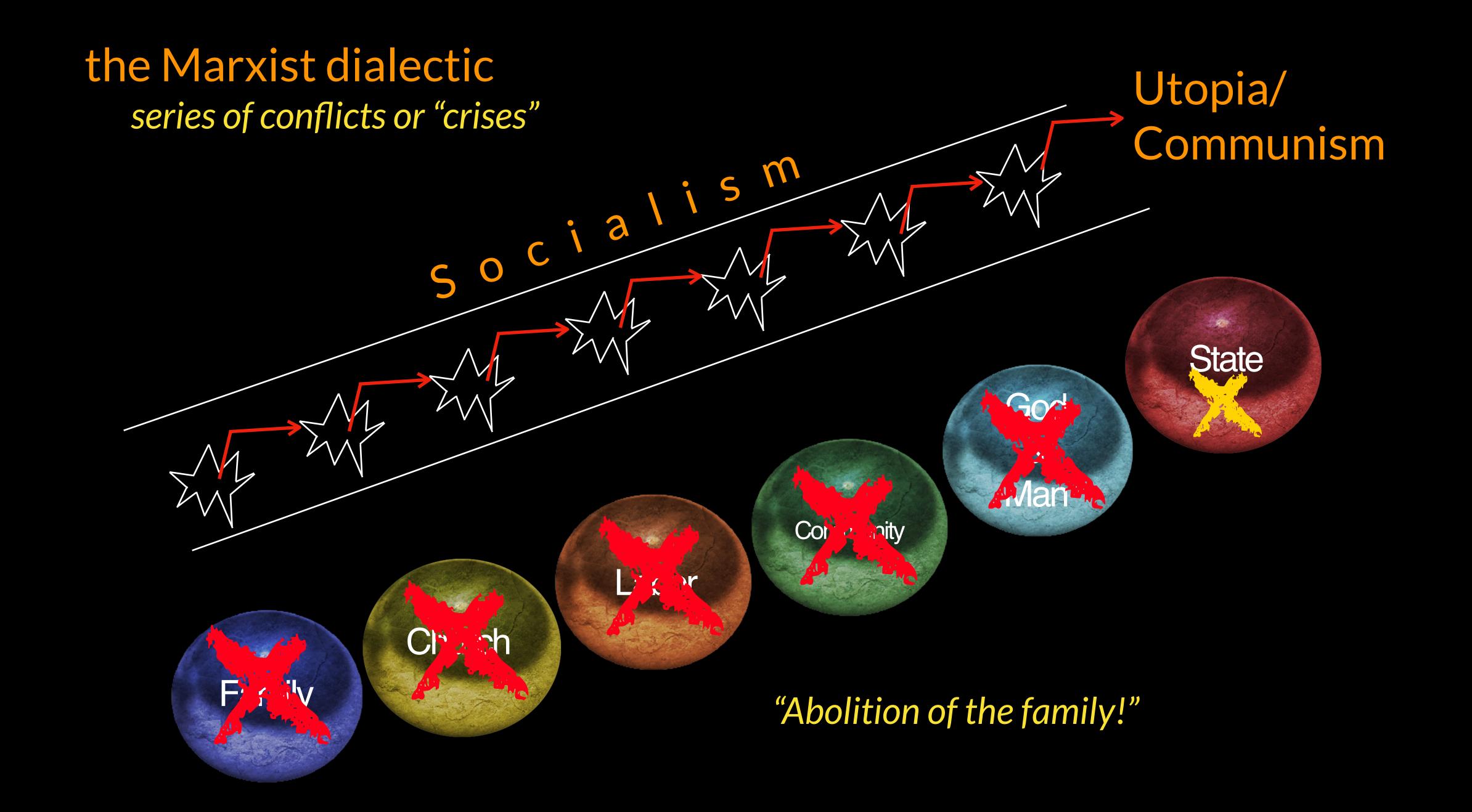
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## the dialectic



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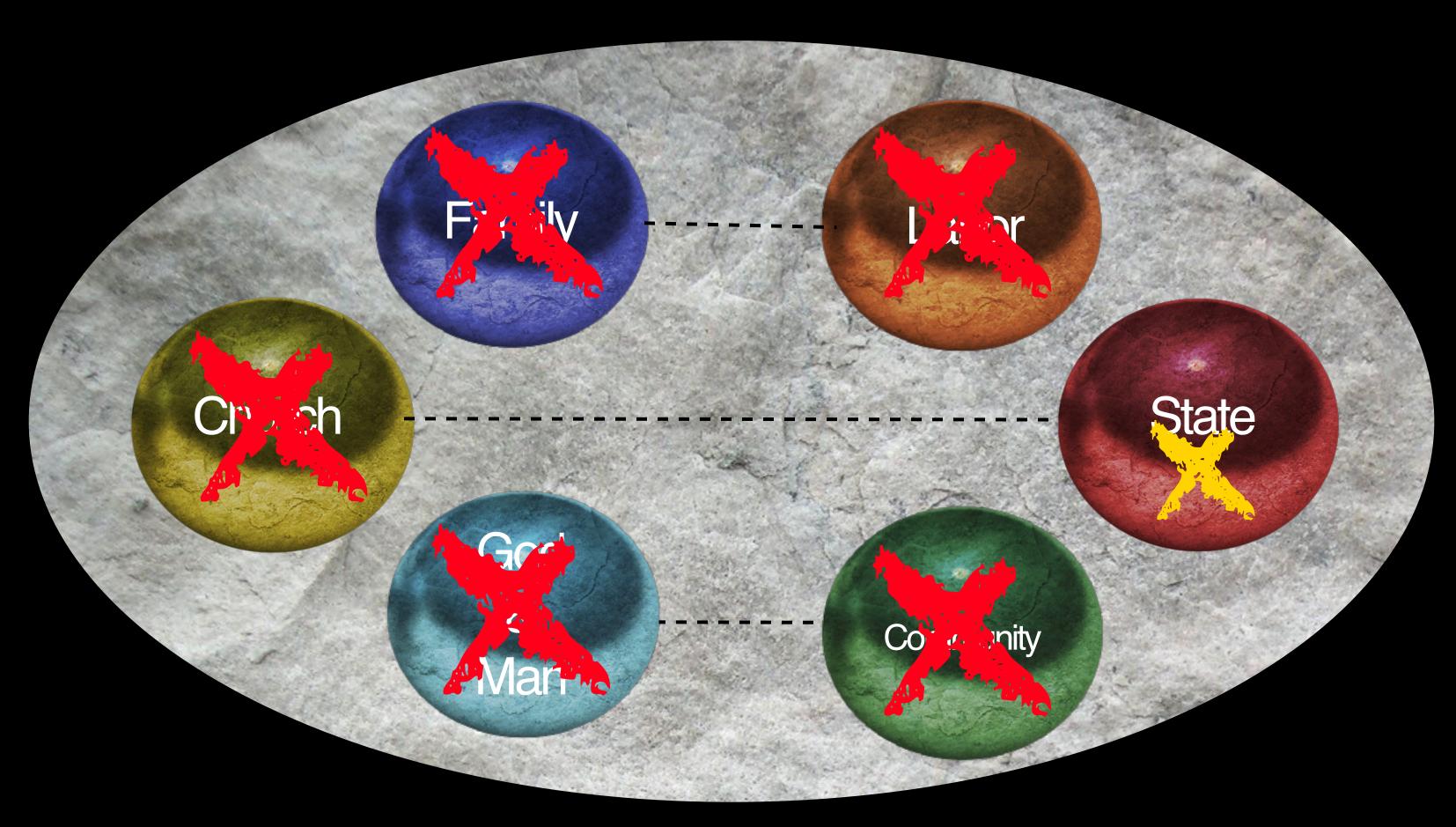
#### The Communist Manifesto

"The proletariat will use its political supremacy to wrest... all capitol from the bourgeoisie, to centralize all instruments of production in the hands of the State..."

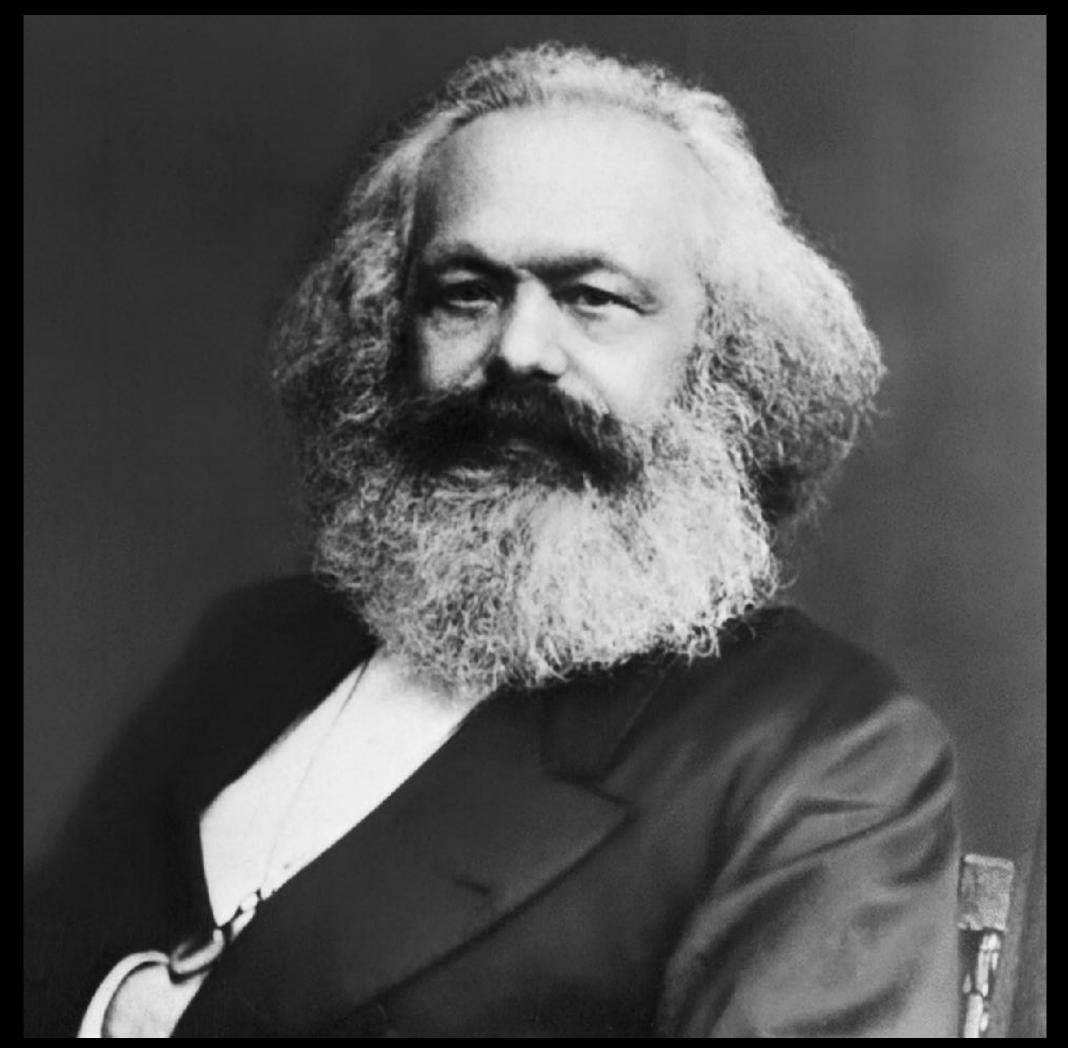
"Of course, in the beginning, this cannot be effected except by despotic inroads on the rights of property..."

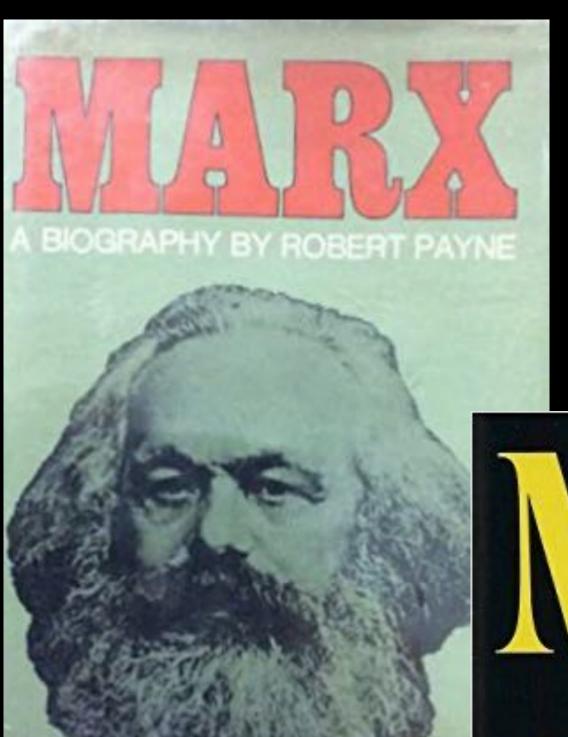
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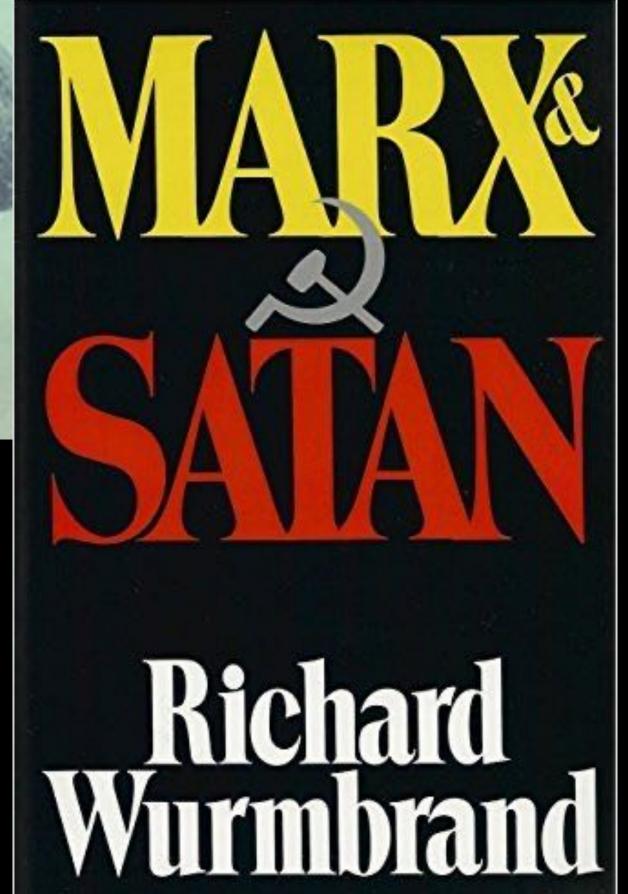
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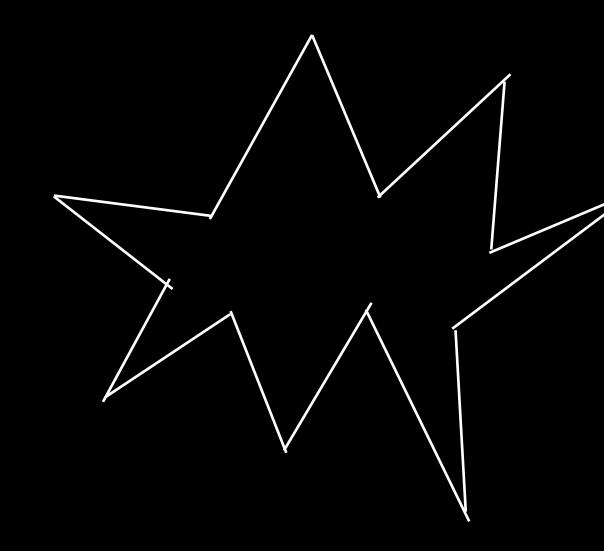
## The Communist Manifesto

Karl Marx & Friedrich Engels

- 1. Abolition of property
- 2. Heavy progressive/graduated income tax
- 3. Abolition of all right of inheritance
- 4. Confiscation of the property of all emigrants and rebels
- 5. Centralization of credit in the hands of the State by means of a national bank

- 6. Centralization of means of communication and transportation in the hands of the State
- 7. Extension of instruments of production owned by the State
- 8. Equal liability of all to labor; establishment of industrial armies
- 9. Gradual abolition of town and country; equable distribution over the country
- 10. Free education for all children in public schools

#### Marxism as a worldview



naturalism/materialism

dialectic/necessity of conflict & crisis

leveling & class warfare

statism/socialism leading to utopia

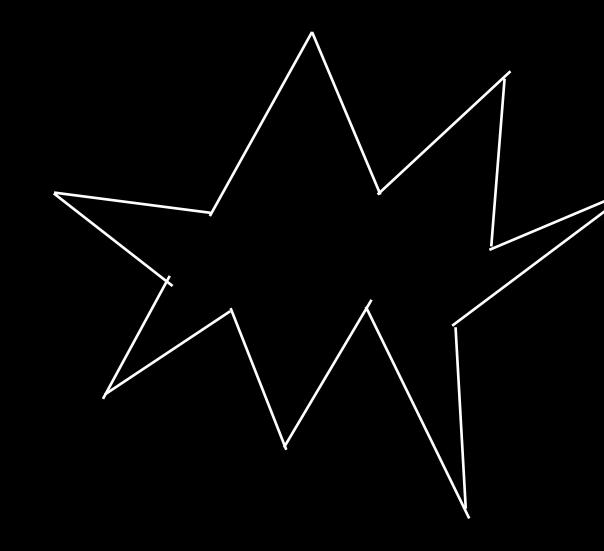
evil: capitalism/private property

### By democratic socialism, Bernie Sanders means:

"What being a socialist means is... that you hold out... a vision of society where poverty is absolutely unnecessary... where human beings can own the means of production and work together rather than having to work as semislaves to other people who can hire and fire."

Bernie Sanders, 1988

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Hegel



Marx

#### Frankfurt School





Hegel



Horkheimer & Adorno







Antonio Gramsci

# why isn't Marxism working in America?

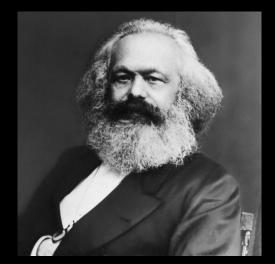
didn't convince the prosperous middle-class

needed a new "oppressor" and a new "oppressed"

the new "conflict": the "hegemony" vs. any "minority"



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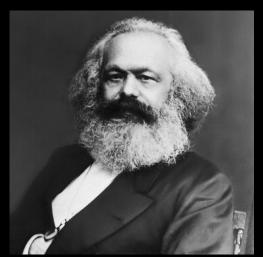


# critical race theory intersectionality





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Co-Founder, BlackLivesMatter

## Black Lives Matter

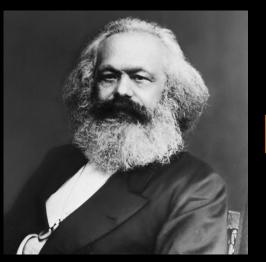
When asked how she would respond to the concern that Black Lives Matter might fizzle out due to a lack of idealogical structure...

"We do have an idealogical frame. Myself and Alicia in particular are trained organizers, we are trained Marxists... we are super versed on idealogical theories."

"...abolish the family..."



Hegel



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Cullors, BLM

## "socialism" gaining favor in the United States

Do you have a favorable impression of...

Socialism

Democrats: 50% 'Progressives': 67%

Republicans: 7%

Capitalism

Democrats: 46%

Republicans: 76%

Victims of Communism Memorial Fund, 2020



Hegel



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Cullors, BLM

# "socialism/communism" gaining favor with GenZ/Millennials

### Would you be likely to vote for a socialist?

Millennials: (yes, 70%)

Extremely likely: 20% (up from 10% in 2018)

Somewhat likely: 50%

Not likely: 30%

## Do you approve of Communism?

Millennials, yes: 36% (up from 28% in 2018)

Would society be better off if all private property were abolished?

Millennials, yes: 22%

#### utopia: communism

Imagine no possessions, I wonder if you can. No need for greed or hunger, a brotherhood of man.

Imagine no heaven...

Imagine no countries...

You may say I'm a dreamer, but I'm not the only one. I hope someday you'll join us, and the world will be as one.

| Imagine - John Lennon

#### utopia: communism

"Imagine", the song, was unquestionably Lennon's finest moment. Its lyrical and conceptual clarity shone sunlight of vision upon our dark and violent world. It urged us to imagine a world without property, without religion, without nations, living in peace. It postulated an economic order in which both greed and hunger would be impossible. Socialists also share this vision. They support the cause that approaches humanity towards the goal of a classless economic order in which wage labor, money and buying and selling have been replaced by free people working together to meet their needs without the constraints imposed by the market system, in short, a world of peace, equality, abundance and ecological sustainability. You may think that we are dreamers, but we are not the only ones. I hope someday you'll join us. And the world will live as one.

The Socialist Party of Great Britain

#### The Lord's Vision

The Lord's servant must gently instruct his opponents..."in the hope that God will grant them repentance leading them to a knowledge of the truth, and that they will come to their senses and escape from the trap of the devil, who has taken them captive to do his will."

2 Timothy 2:24-26

#### The Lord's Vision

Conduct yourselves with **wisdom** toward outsiders, making the most of the **opportunity**. Let your speech always be with **grace**, as though **seasoned** with salt, so that you will know how you should respond to **each person**.

Colossians 4:5-6