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“Know thyself”



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“As a prisoner for the Lord, then, I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received. Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love.

Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to one hope when you were called; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.”

Eph 4:1-6



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“ But to each one of us grace has been given as Christ apportioned it.....

So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, 12 to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up 13 until we all reach unity in the faith.”

Eph 4:7,11-13



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HOWEVER...

- **Indicator**, nothing more
- Often **situational**
- **Humility**





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Apostolically Motivated

“Sent by someone with authority to make changes”

- Take ground/ shape culture
- New ideas/ how to change things
- Frustrated by lack of achievement/ vision



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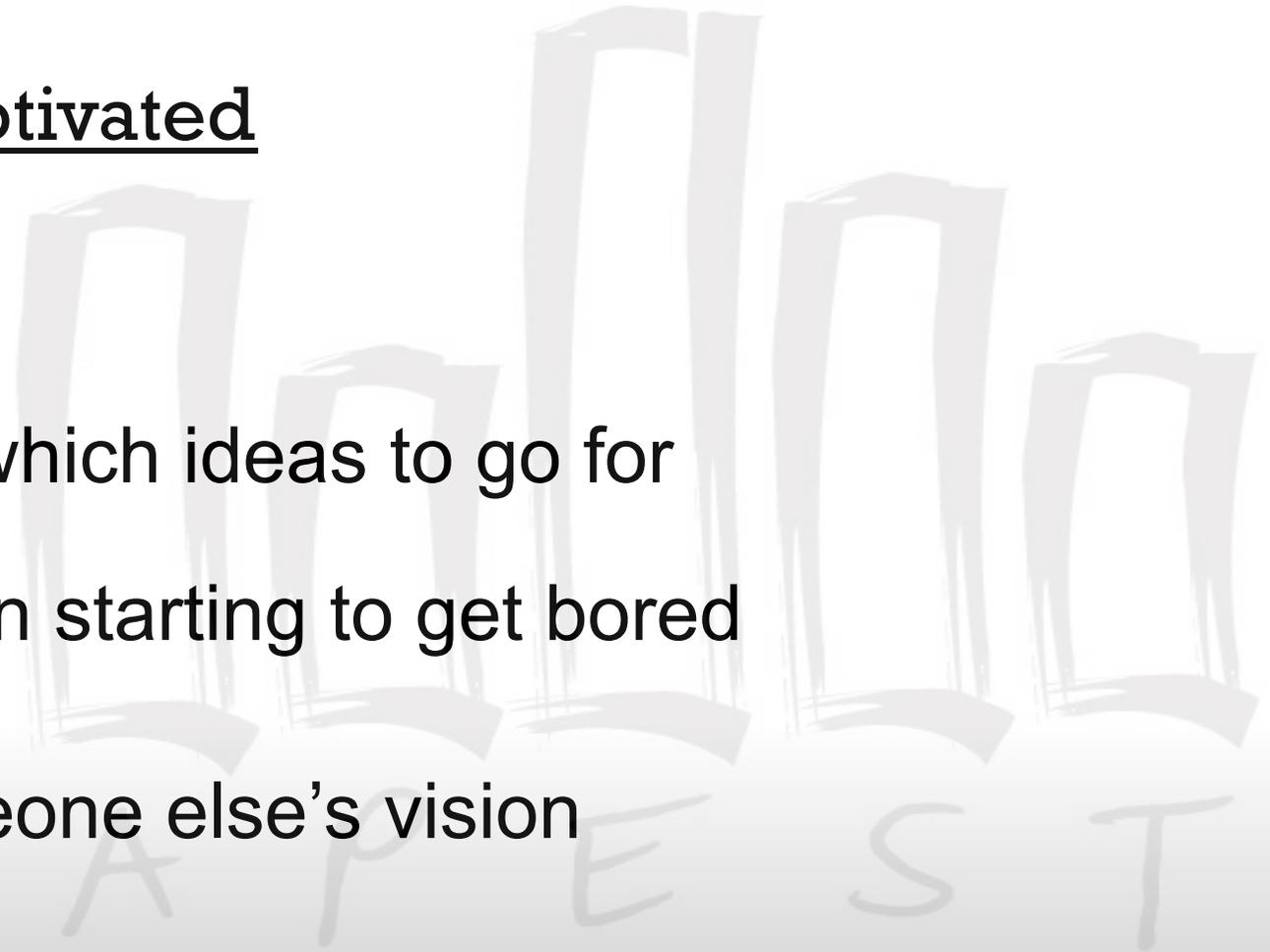
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Apostolically Motivated

Aim to grow in:

- i) Discernment- which ideas to go for
- ii) Patience- when starting to get bored
- iii) Serving- someone else's vision





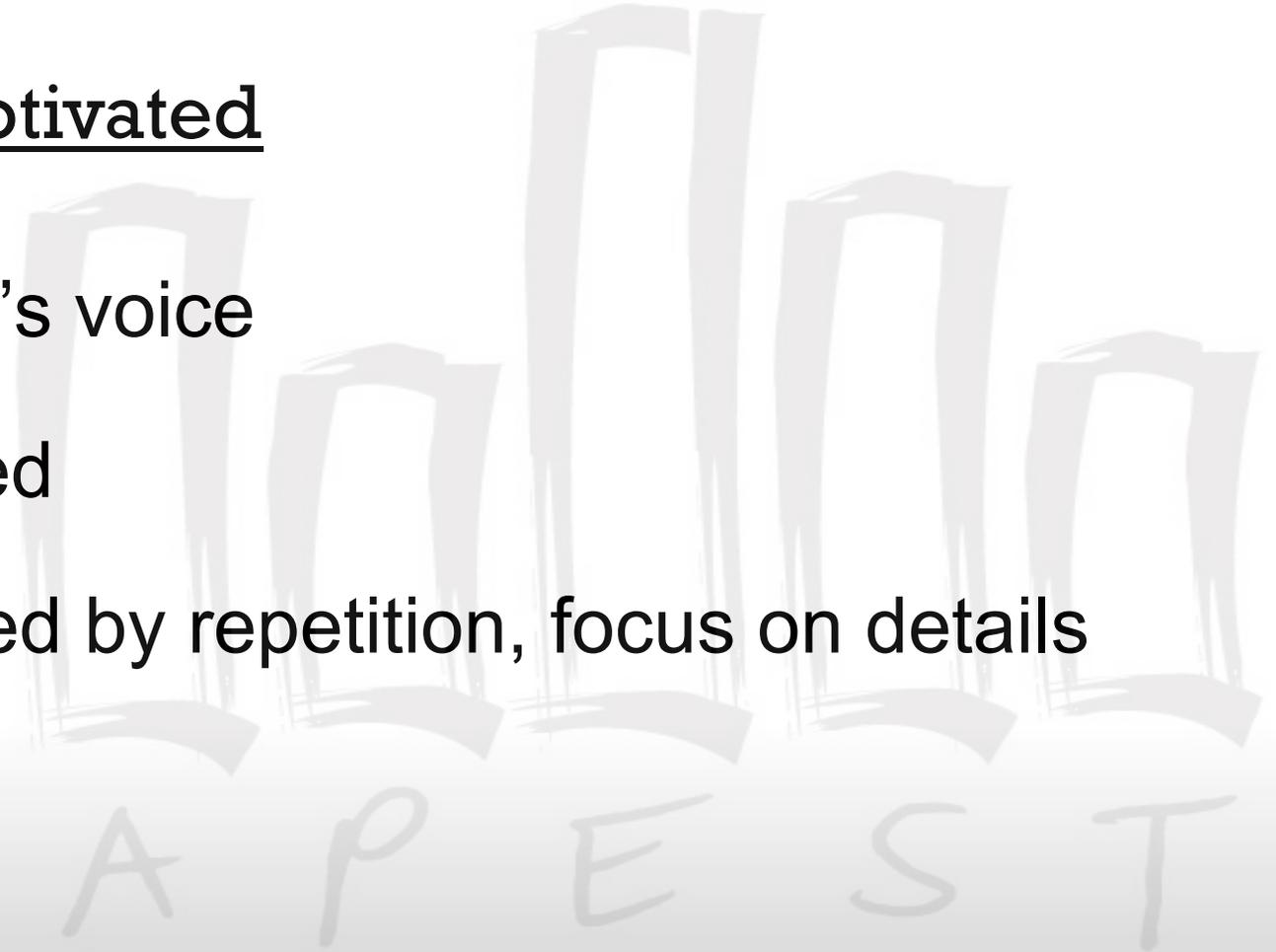
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Prophetically Motivated

- Hunger for God's voice
- Future orientated
- Can be frustrated by repetition, focus on details
- Intuitive, visual





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Prophetically Motivated

Growing prophetically:

- i) Wisdom: Revelation- Interpretation- Application
- ii) Confidence- Sheep will know my voice
- iii) “Out-of-sync”

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Evangelistically Motivated

- Desire to reach those who don't know God
- Love helping people on their journey
- Some pastors natural evangelists

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Evangelistically Motivated

Things to watch out for:

- i) Discouragement
- ii) Handle frustration well





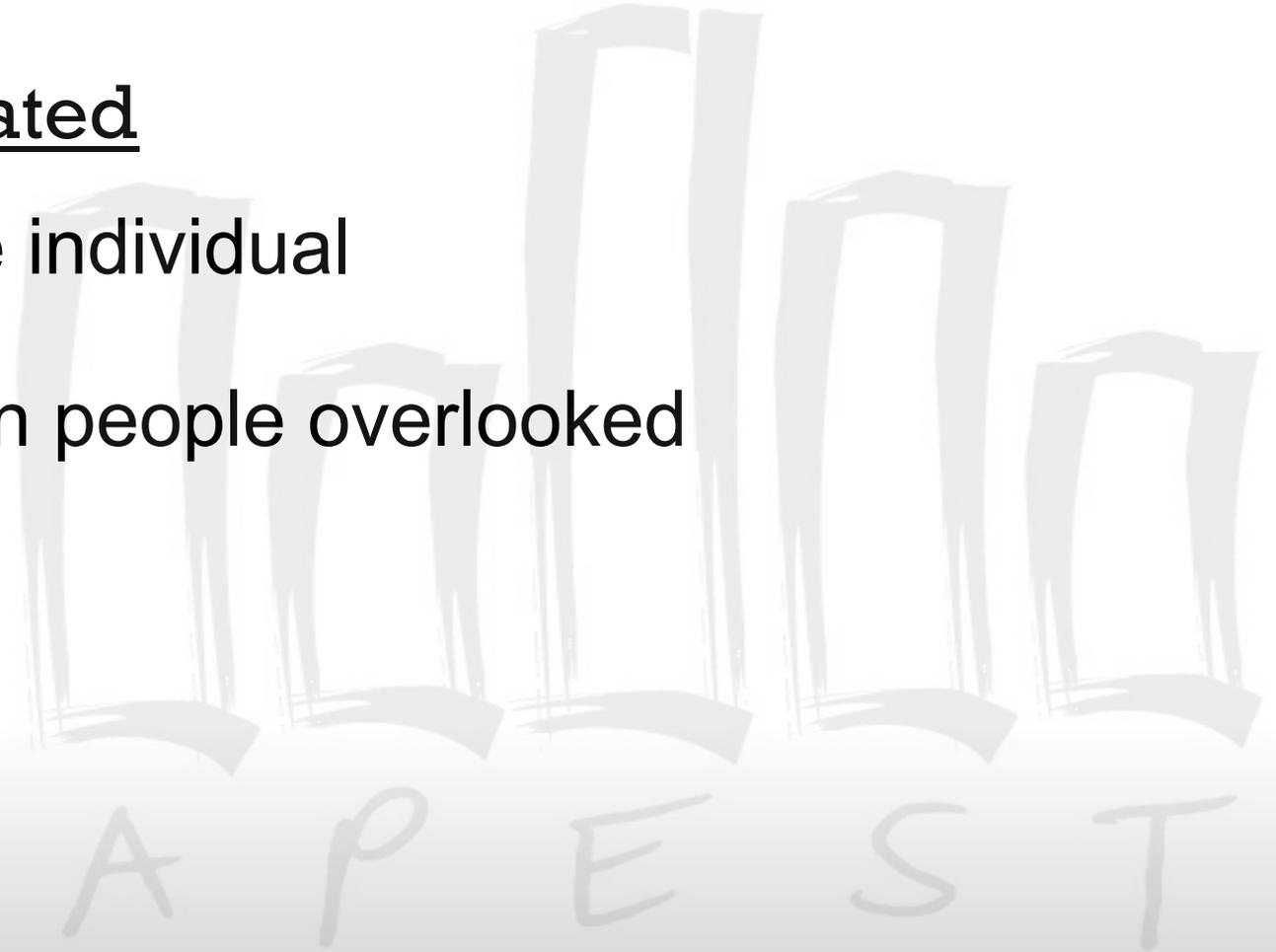
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Pastorally Motivated

- Concern for the individual
- Frustrated when people overlooked
- Bring safety
- Inspire trust





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Pastorally Motivated

Be aware of:

- i) Burnout/ self-care
- ii) “Speaking the truth in love” Eph 4:15
- iii) Handle protective instincts well

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Teaching Motivation

- Rooted in truth. Solid foundations
- Delight in communication and understanding
- Frustration when people misled/ protective of truth.

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Teaching Motivation

Grow in:

- i) “Translating” truth to those outside church
- ii) ‘Drip feed’ truth.
- iii) Invest in your own gift.

“Remember your leaders, who spoke the word of God to you. Consider the outcome of their way of life and imitate their faith.” Heb 13:7