

The background is a complex composition of overlapping geometric shapes and textures. Large teal triangles frame the central area, which is filled with a red and orange-toned, cloudy or smoke-like texture. A central, narrow vertical strip features a dark teal, fibrous or wood-grain-like texture. The overall aesthetic is modern and abstract.


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What is the least spoken  
language in the world?


Sign Language





Why can't you hear a pterodactyl  
go to the bathroom?

Because the pee is silent.

The background features a complex geometric composition of overlapping triangles in shades of teal and red. A central, darker red triangle points downwards, while other teal and red triangles surround it, creating a layered effect. In the background, a soft, cloudy sky is visible, adding texture to the overall design.

5/4 of people admit that  
they're bad with fractions.

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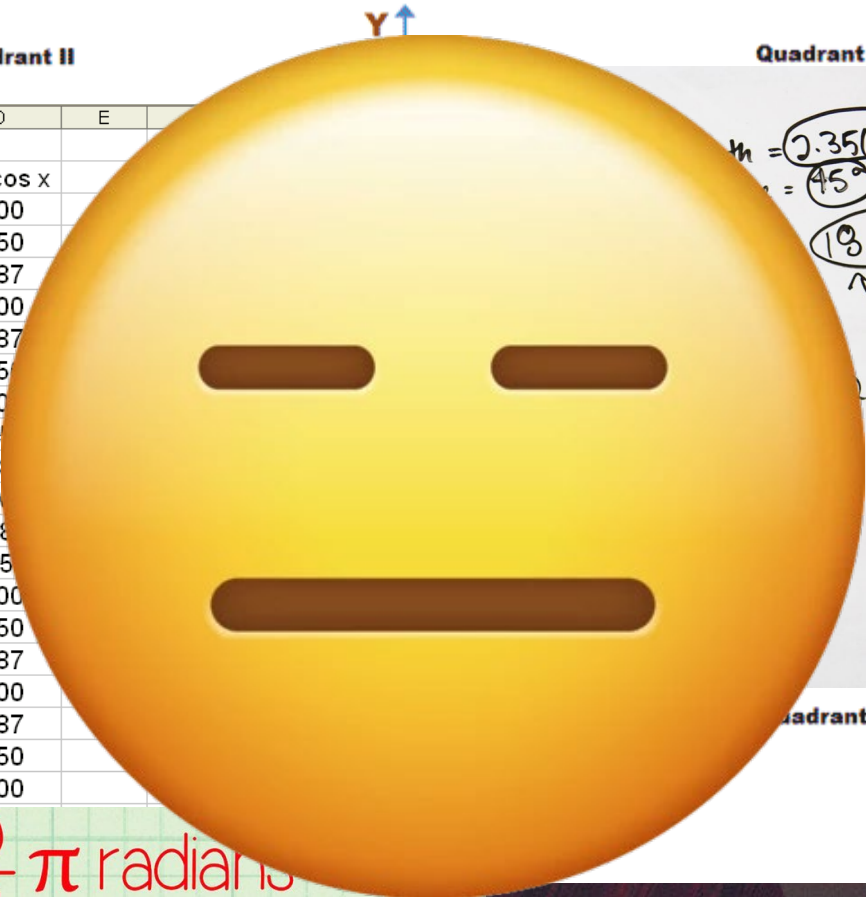


Quadrant II

Quadrant I

	A	B	C	D	E
1					
2		degrees	radians x	y = cos x	
3		-90	-1.57	0.00	
4		-60	-1.05	0.50	
5		-30	-0.52	0.87	
6		0	0.00	1.00	
7		30	0.52	0.87	
8		60	1.05	0.50	
9		90	1.57	0.00	
10		120	2.09	-0.50	
11		150	2.62	-0.87	
12		180	3.14	-1.00	
13		210	3.67	-0.87	
14		240	4.19	-0.50	
15		270	4.71	0.00	
16		300	5.24	0.50	
17		330	5.76	0.87	
18		360	6.28	1.00	
19		390	6.81	0.87	
20		420	7.33	0.50	
21		450	7.85	0.00	

Ex:



$\theta = 2.356''$   
 $\theta = 45^\circ$   
 $18.85''$   
 $\frac{45}{360} = .125$   
 $\times$   
 $2.356''$   
 $=$   
 Arc length

Quadrant IV

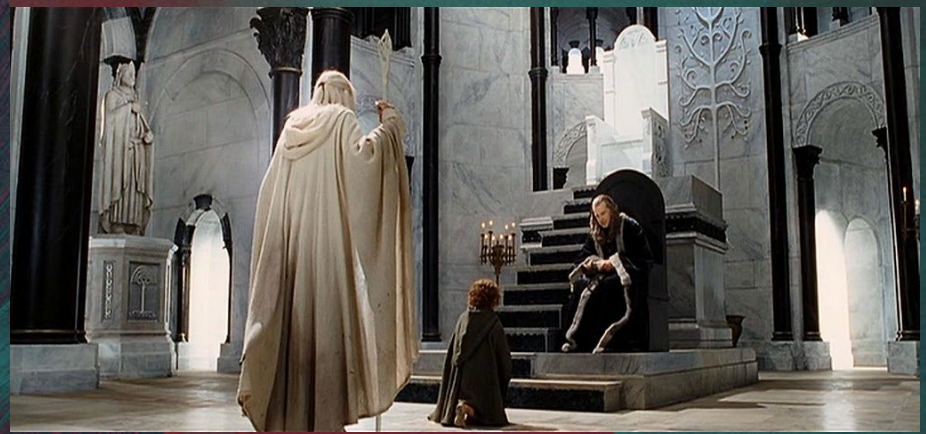
$$225^\circ = \frac{5}{4} \pi \text{ radians}$$



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Two definitions of kingdom:

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REIGN

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1. The Kingdom of God is **GOD'S REIGN  
OVER THE EARTH.**

# Mark 1:14-15 (ESV)

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4. The Kingdom of God requires  
**REPENTANCE and FAITH.**

# Mark 4:26 -34

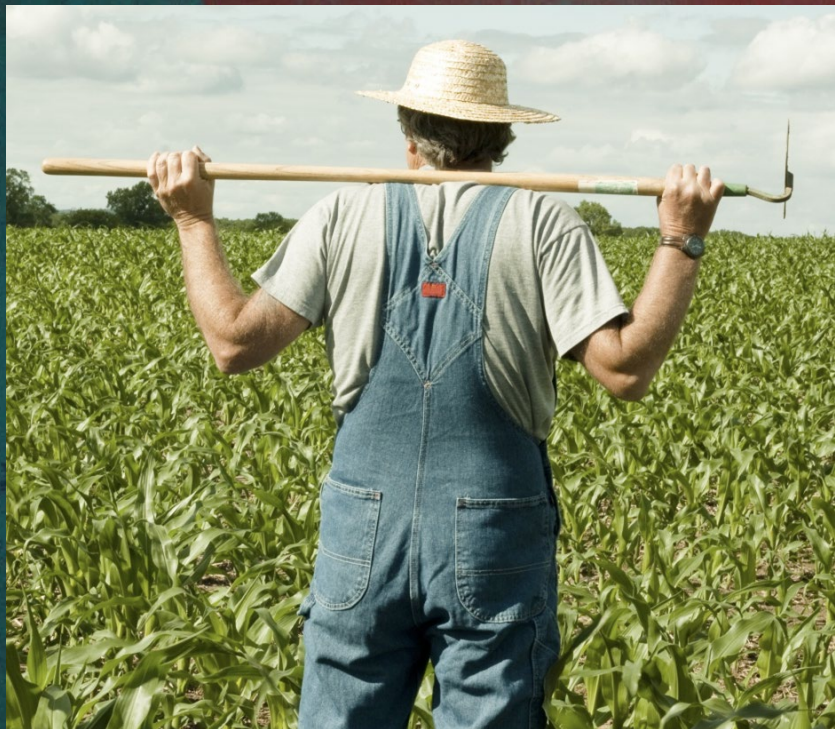
And he said, "The kingdom of God is as if a man should scatter seed on the ground. He sleeps and rises night and day, and the seed sprouts and grows; he knows not how. The earth produces by itself, first the blade, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. But when the grain is ripe, at once he puts in the sickle, because the harvest has come."



# Mark 4:26-34

And he said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable shall we use for it? It is like a grain of mustard seed, which, when sown on the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth, yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes larger than all the garden plants and puts out large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade."





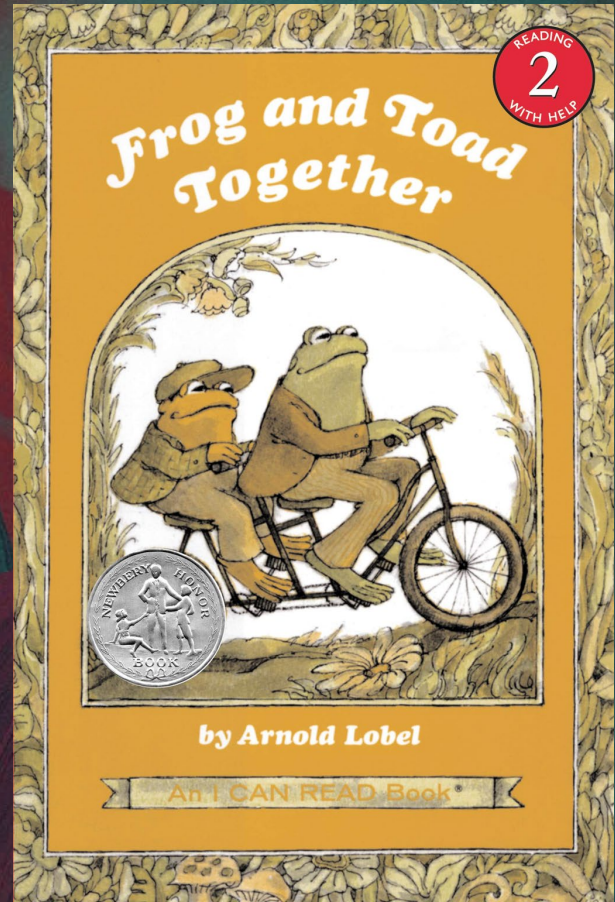
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The background features a central, dark, textured landscape with a horizon line, possibly representing a field or a path. This central image is framed by large, overlapping triangular shapes in shades of teal and red. The overall aesthetic is modern and abstract.

5. The Kingdom of God is **EXPANDING**  
**AND GROWING.**

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# Mark 8:34-38

And calling the crowd to him with his disciples, he said to them, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it. For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his soul? For what can a man give in return for his soul? For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of Man also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."



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6. The Kingdom of God is **OPEN TO JOIN IN.**

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**COMMITMENT AND SACRIFICE.**



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8. The Kingdom of God is **SALVATION  
FOR THIS LIFE AND BEYOND.**

# Mark 9:1-4, 7-9

And he said to them, “Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see the kingdom of God after it has come with power.” And after six days Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became radiant, intensely white, as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, and they were talking with Jesus... [7] And a cloud overshadowed them, and a voice came out of the cloud, “This is my beloved Son; listen to him.” And suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone with them but Jesus only. And as they were coming down the mountain, he charged them to tell no one what they had seen, until the Son of Man had risen from the dead.



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9. The Kingdom of God is **STILL TO COME.**

# Mark 10:13-16

And they were bringing children to him that he might touch them, and the disciples rebuked them. But when Jesus saw it, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the children come to me; do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God. Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it." And he took them in his arms and blessed them, laying his hands on them.

10. The Kingdom of God requires  
**TOTAL DEPENDENCE.**



# Mark 10:17-31

And as Jesus was setting out on his journey, a man ran up and knelt before him and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" And Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good except God alone. You know the commandments: 'Do not murder, Do not commit adultery, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Do not defraud, Honor your father and mother.'" And he said to him, "Teacher, all these I have kept from my youth." And Jesus, looking at him, loved him, and said to him, "You lack one thing: go, sell all that you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me."



# Mark 10:17 -31

Disheartened by the saying, he went away sorrowful, for he had great possessions. And Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How difficult it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" And the disciples were amazed at his words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how difficult it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the kingdom of God." And they were exceedingly astonished, and said to him, "Then who can be saved?" Jesus looked at them and said, "With man it is impossible, but not with God. For all things are possible with God."



7. The Kingdom of God requires **COMMITMENT AND SACRIFICE.**
8. The Kingdom of God is **SALVATION FOR THIS LIFE AND BEYOND.**
9. The Kingdom of God is **COMING.**
10. The Kingdom of God requires **TOTAL DEPENDENCE.**
11. The Kingdom of God requires **RADICAL GENEROSITY.**

How difficult it will be for those who prioritize their wealth  
over the needs of others to enter the kingdom of God!

Generosity over stinginess.  
Sacrifice over selfishness.  
Others over myself.



# Mark 10:17 -31

Peter began to say to him, “See, we have left everything and followed you.” Jesus said, “Truly, I say to you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or lands, for my sake and for the gospel, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this time, houses and brothers and sisters and mothers and children and lands, with persecutions, and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last first.”

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We are invited to participate in God's expanding rule and restoration of this world and its people to Himself through our commitment and sacrifice to share the good news of Jesus, which is salvation, now and forevermore.

The background features a large, stylized world map in a reddish-brown hue, centered on the Atlantic Ocean. This map is overlaid on a dark teal background with a subtle, wavy texture. Two large, semi-transparent triangles, one pointing up and one pointing down, are positioned over the map, creating a central diamond shape. The overall aesthetic is modern and spiritual.

The Redeemer restoring the  
world to Himself by using us.

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# MHCC Kingdom Values

Authenticity

Generosity

Commitment

Development

Family

# AUTHENTICITY

*Let the children come to me; do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God. Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it.*



# GENEROSITY

*How difficult it will be for those who prioritize their wealth (and self) over the needs of others to enter the kingdom of God!*

# COMMITMENT

*If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it.*



# DEVELOPMENT

*When the grain is ripe, at once he puts in the sickle, because the harvest has come.*

# FAMILY

*Truly, I say to you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or lands, for my sake and for the gospel, who will not receive a hundredfold NOW in this time, houses and brothers and sisters and mothers and children and lands, with persecutions, and in the age to come eternal life.*



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# LET'S ASK:

1. Am I ready to participate in God's kingdom in this next season of my life?
2. Is there anything holding me back from embracing authenticity, generosity, commitment, development, and family?
3. Why does the Norwegian navy put barcodes on ships? **So they can Scandinavian.**





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The background is a complex composition of overlapping geometric shapes and textures. Large triangles in shades of teal and red dominate the space. Within these shapes, there are various textures: some areas show soft, painterly clouds, while others feature fine, parallel lines that create a sense of depth and movement, resembling a landscape or a close-up of a material. The overall color palette is muted and atmospheric, with a strong contrast between the cool teal and the warm, slightly darker red.

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