



Deepening relationships
with God and others

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Philippians 2:12-14 (NIV 2011)

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“children of God without fault in a warped and
crooked generation.” Then you will shine among
them like stars in the sky ¹⁶ as you hold firmly to the
word of life. And then I will be able to boast on the
day of Christ that I did not run or labor in vain.

Philippians 2:15-16 (NIV 2011)

¹⁷ But even if I am being poured out like a drink offering on the sacrifice and service coming from your faith, I am glad and rejoice with all of you.

¹⁸ So you too should be glad and rejoice with me.

Philippians 2:17-18 (NIV 2011)



“Therefore, my dear friends...”

Philippians 2:12 (NIV 2011)



Unity Flows From Humility





A close-up photograph of a person's hand holding an iPhone. The phone's screen is white and displays the Apple Pay logo, which consists of the Apple logo followed by the word "Pay". The phone is held over a dark, metallic payment terminal. The background is blurred, showing what appears to be a yellow and black striped surface, possibly a counter or a sign. The lighting is soft, highlighting the texture of the hand and the metallic surfaces.

Apple Pay



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⁸ For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith — and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God — ⁹ not by works, so that no one can boast.

Ephesians 2:8-9 (NIV 2011)

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2 “... then make my joy complete by being like minded, having the same love, being of one spirit and one mind.”

Philippians 2:2 (NIV 2011)



³ “... in humility value others above yourselves, ⁴ not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of others.”

Philippians 2:3b-4 (NIV 2011)

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We grumble when
we're not humble.

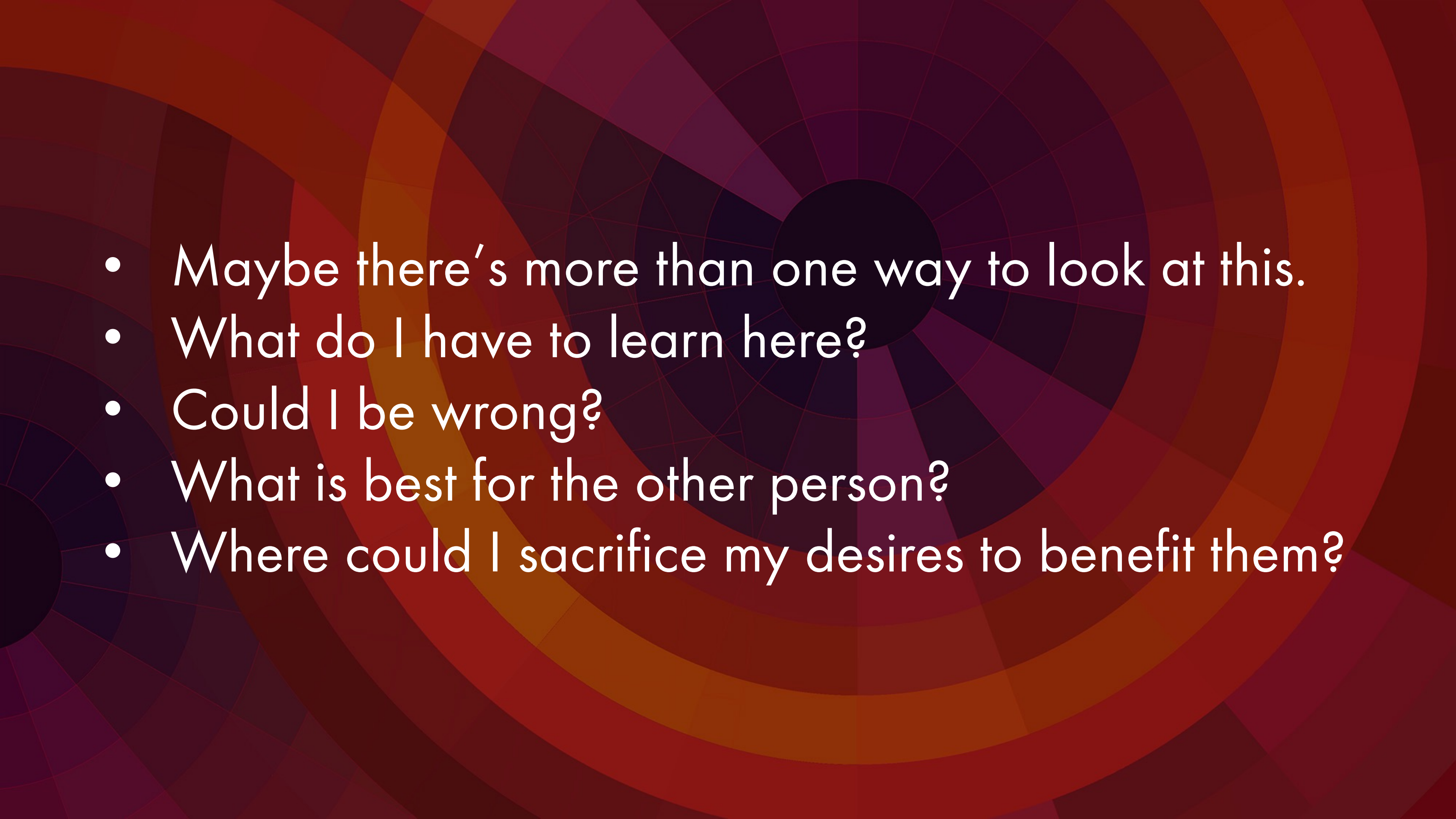


Self-righteous

I'm right, you're wrong

Self-centered

My interests matter more than your interests

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- Maybe there's more than one way to look at this.
 - What do I have to learn here?
 - Could I be wrong?
 - What is best for the other person?
 - Where could I sacrifice my desires to benefit them?



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