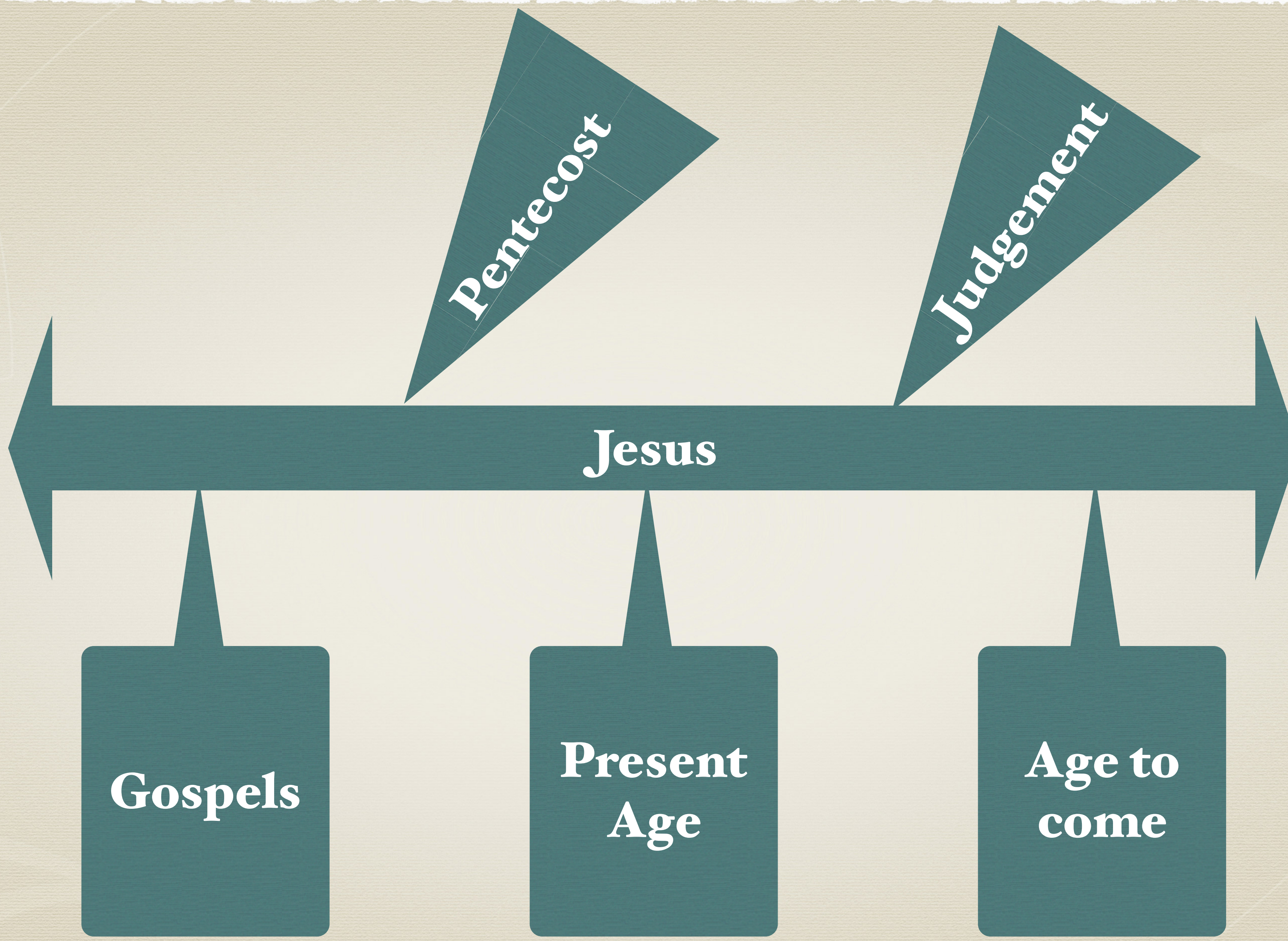


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“The kingdom of
heaven is like....”

“The community or people ruled by God and with whom he dwells, to some extent reality now but to be fully consummated in the future”



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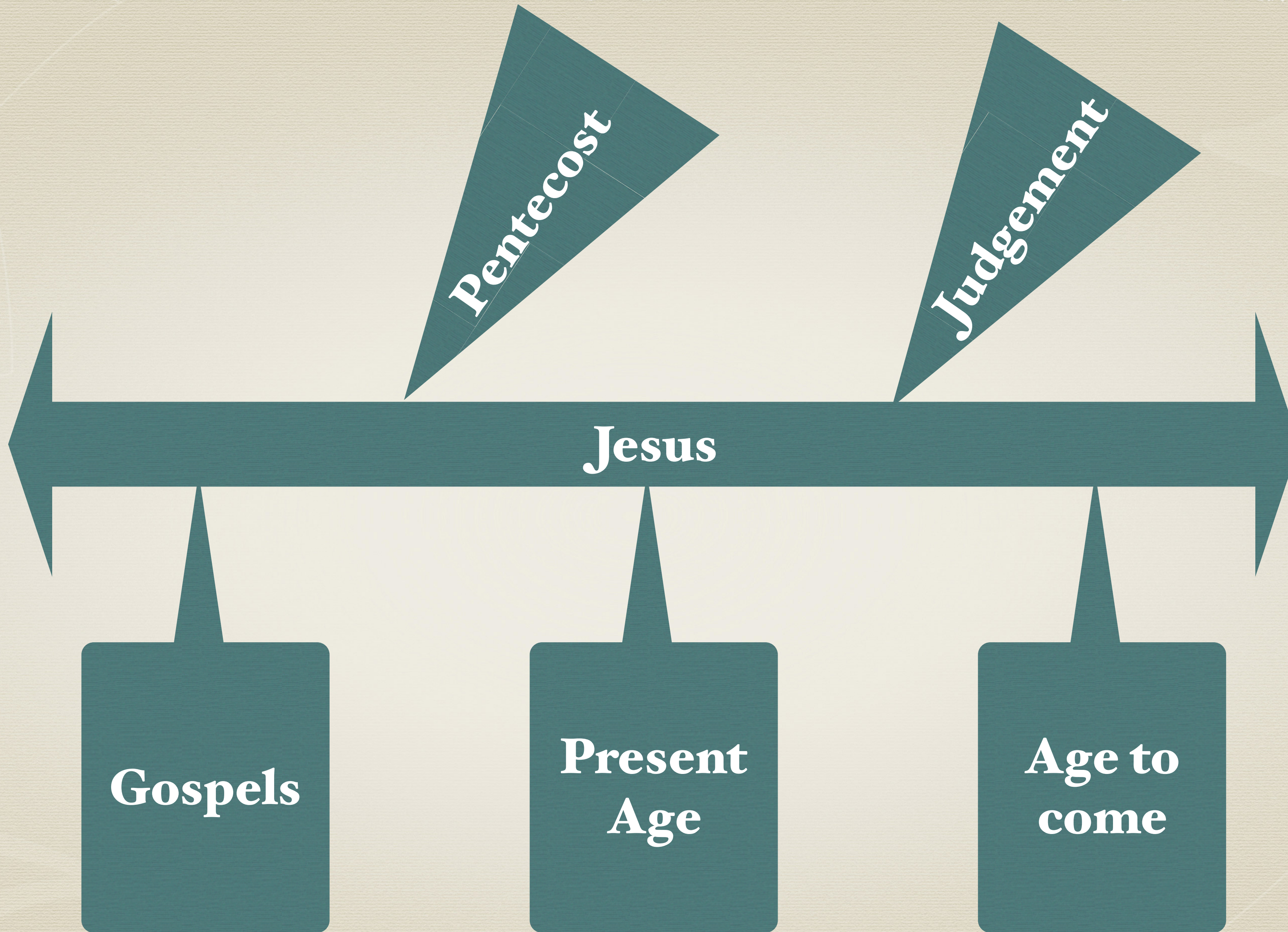
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“..if it is by the Spirit of God that I drive out demons, then the kingdom of God has come upon you.” (Matthew 12:28 NIV11)

“Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.” (Luke 6:20 NIV11)

“Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God ahead of you.” (Matthew 21:31 NIV11)



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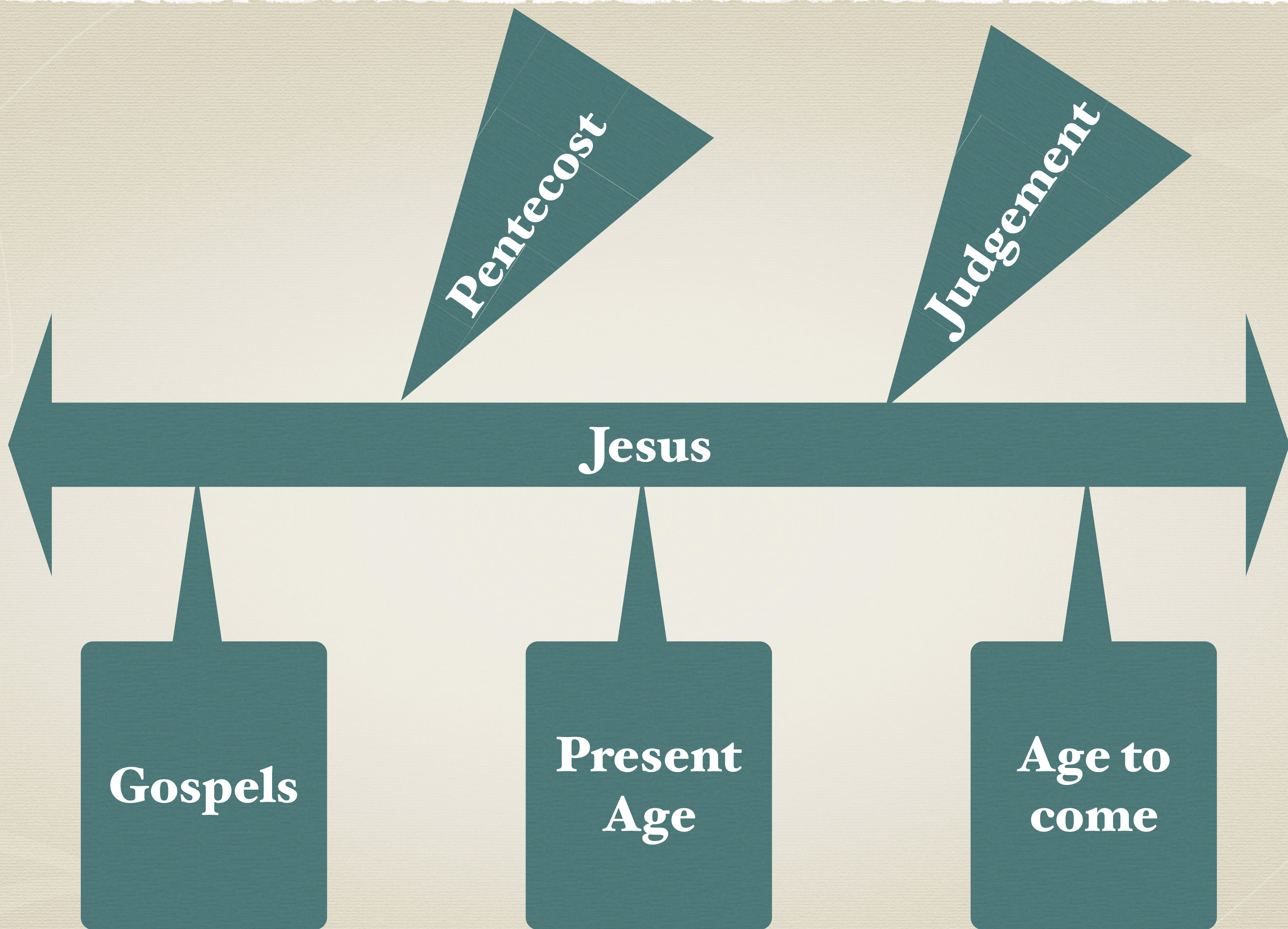
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“Truly I tell you, some who are standing here will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.” (Matthew 16:28 NIV₁₁)

‘Father, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come.’ (Luke 11:2 NIV₁₁)



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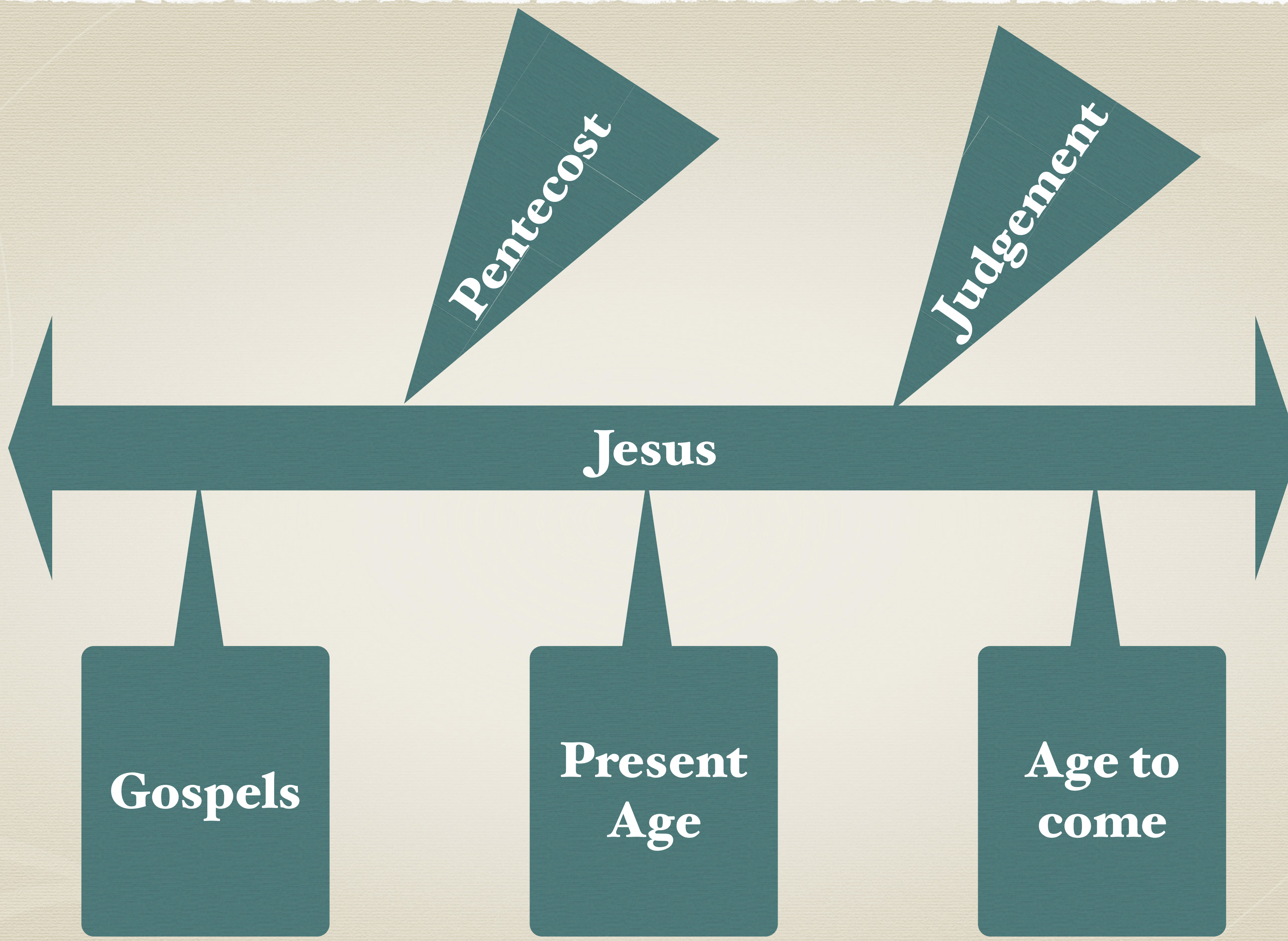
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““Then the King will say to those on his right,
‘Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take
your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you
since the creation of the world.’” (Matthew 25:34

“There will be weeping there, and gnashing of
teeth, when you see Abraham, Isaac and Jacob
and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, but
you yourselves thrown out.” (Luke 13:28 NIV11)



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Implications

- * The kingdom available now
- * We who choose it enter and enjoy eternal life
- * Therefore live with confidence and experience first-fruits of fullness of eternal kingdom now in fellowship with God in Christ
- * Desire to show/tell others of it's availability while they have opportunity to choose

“What does this parable tell you about the character of the kingdom? It’s values, it’s nature, it’s priorities?”

“who have tasted the goodness of the word of God and the powers of the coming age” (Heb 6:5 NIV11)

“who gave himself for our sins to rescue us from the present evil age,” (Galatians 1:4 NIV11)

“Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God’s will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.” (Romans 12:1–2 NIV11)

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