

**Be.**



**Become.**



**Burgeon.**



**DISCIPLESHIP**

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# The answer...

Discipleship is to take people **from knowing Jesus**  
**to living Jesus...**

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# DISCIPLESHIP CIRCLES

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in **Jerusalem**, and in all **Judea and Samaria**, and to the **ends of the earth**.

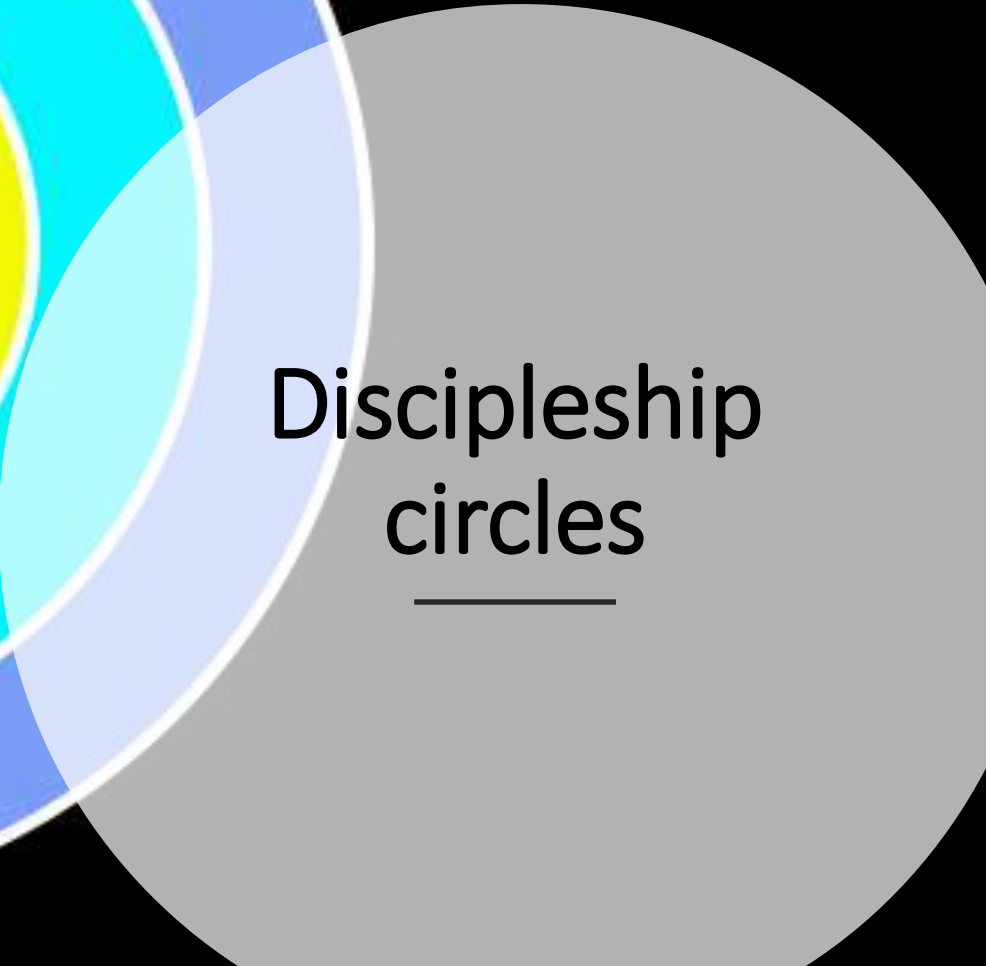
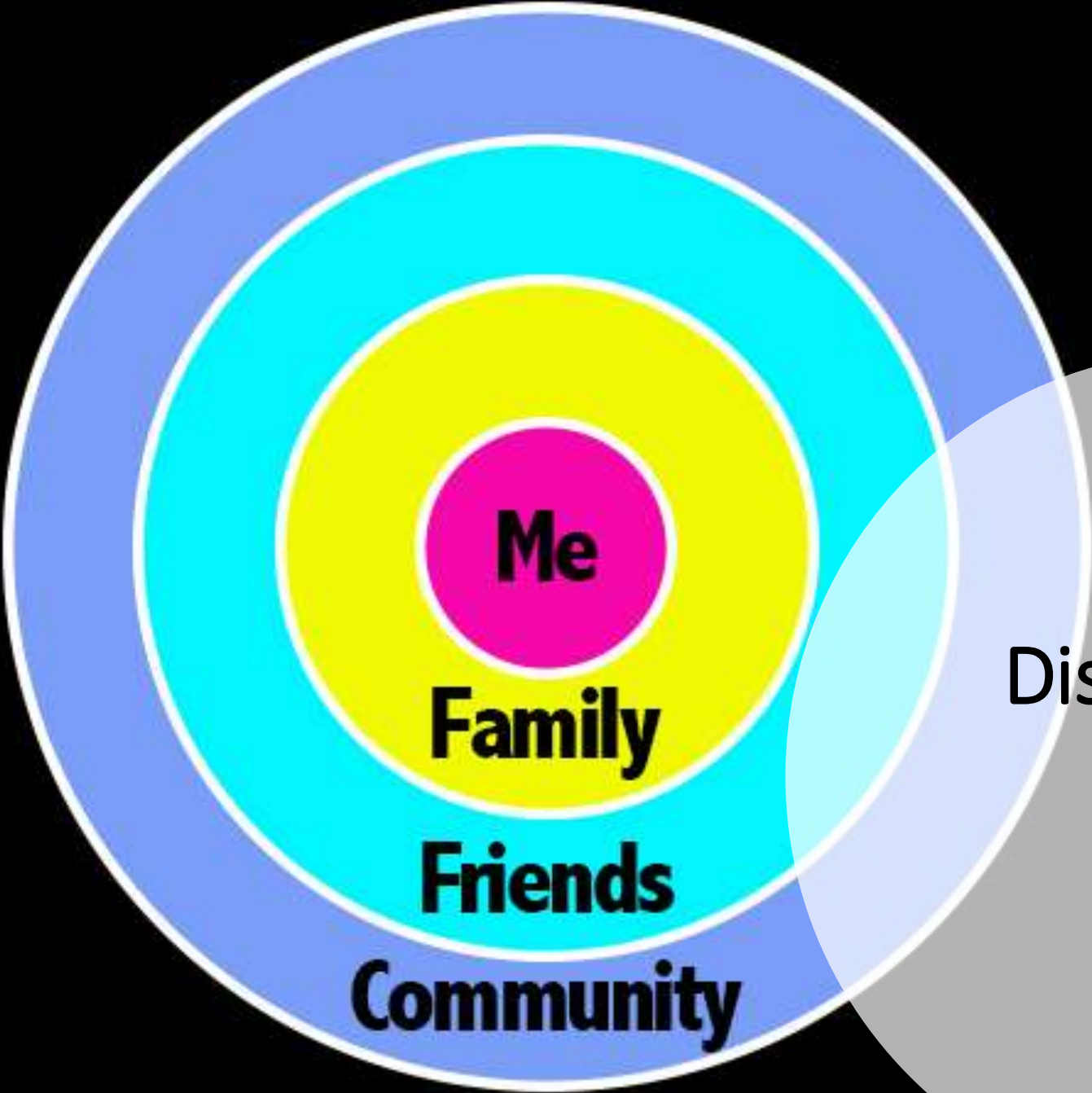
Act 1:8 NIV

# DISCIPLESHIP CIRCLES

You then, **my son**, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. And the things you have heard me say in the presence of many witnesses entrust to **reliable people** who will also be qualified to teach others.

2 Tim 2:1-2 NIV





Discipleship  
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# HARVARD STUDY OF ADULT DEVELOPMENT

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"The clearest message that we get from this 75-year study is this: Good relationships keep us happier and healthier. Period."

Socially disconnected people are "less happy, their health declines earlier in midlife, their brain functioning declines sooner, and they live shorter lives than people who are not lonely."

*Robert Waldinger*

# POWER OF FRIENDSHIP

As iron sharpens iron, so one person sharpens another.

Pro 27:17 NIV

# TRUE FRIENDSHIP

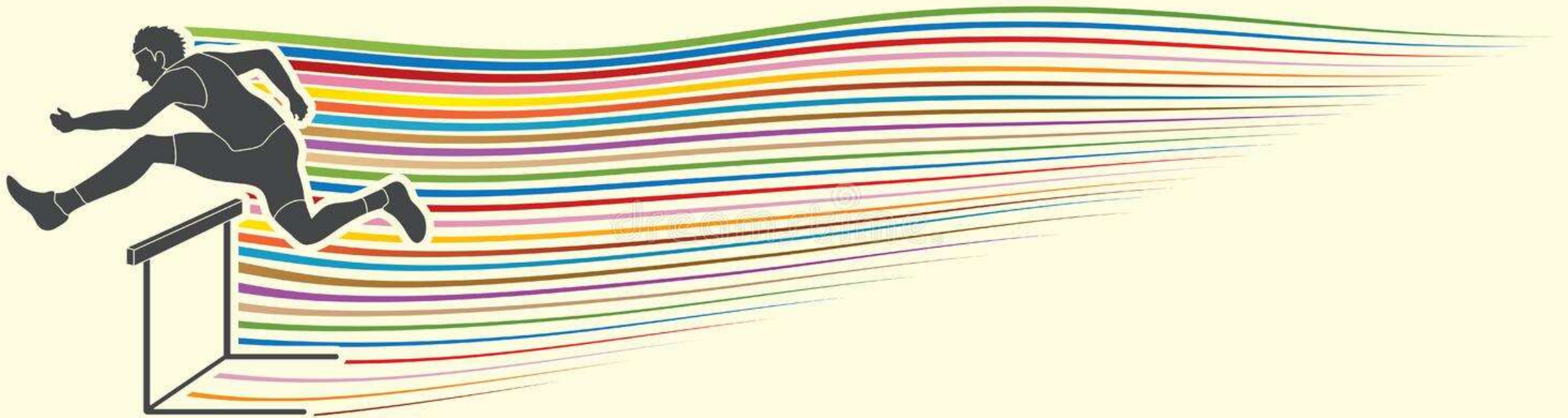
A man of **many companions** may come to ruin, but there is a friend who sticks closer than a brother.

Prov 18:24 NIV84

# DIFFERENCE BETWEEN FAMILY & FRIENDS?

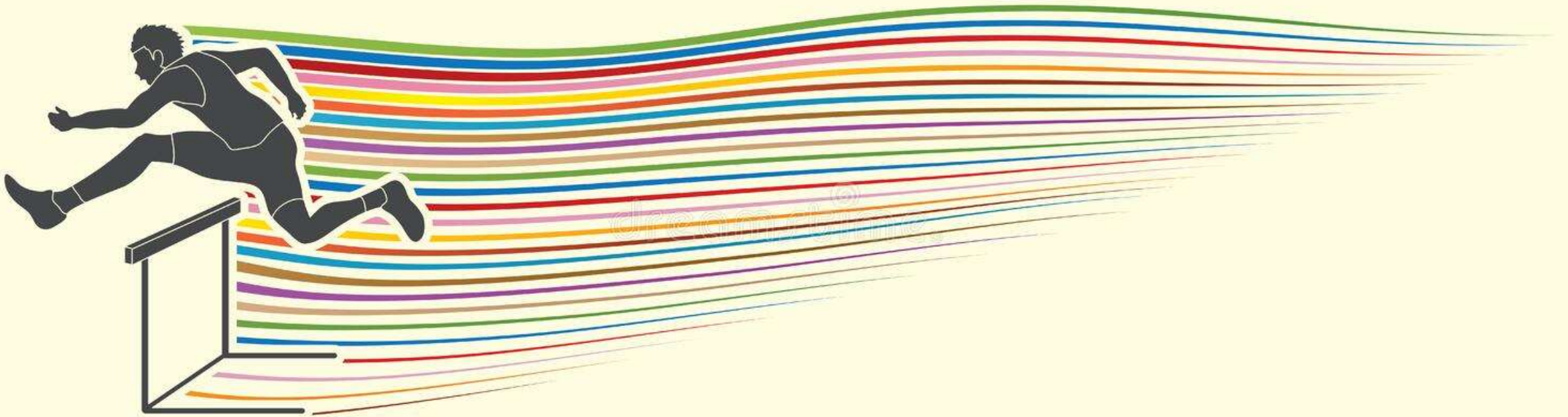
*We don't choose our family,  
we learn to live with them...*

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Mat 7:3-5 NIV

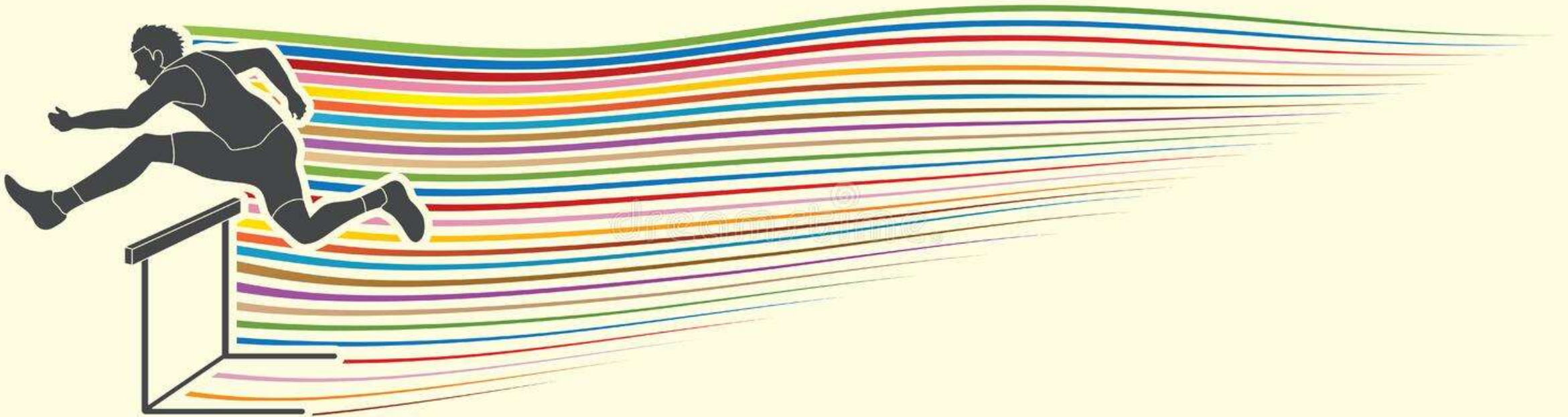
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Mat 7:3-5 NIV

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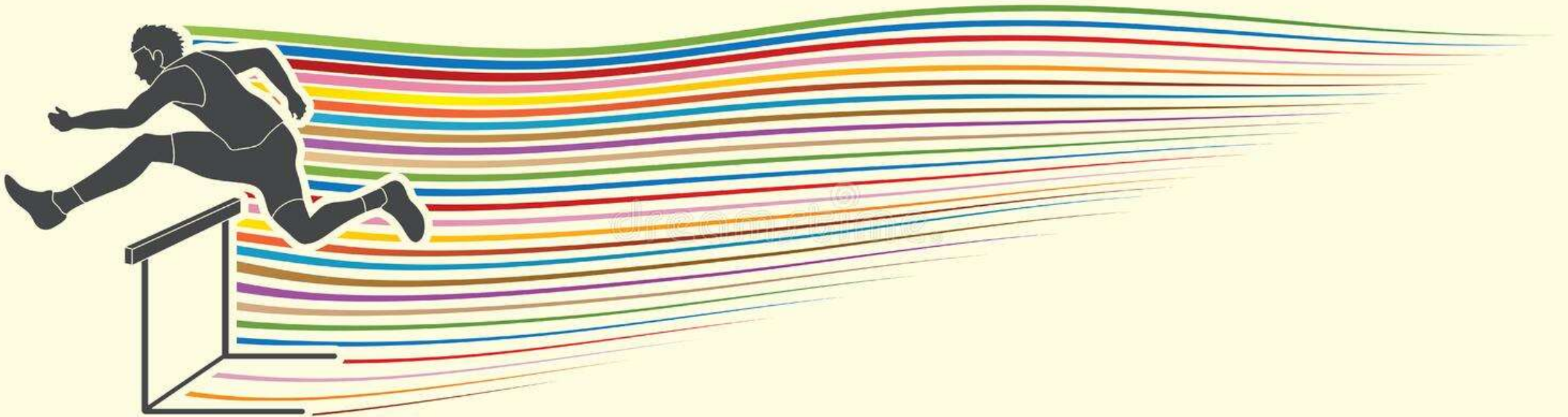
# I HAVE NOTHING TO GIVE

Then Peter said, “Silver or gold **I do not have**, but what **I do have I give** you. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, walk.”

Act 3:6 NIV

# 3 HURDLES TO OVERCOME

- SELF
- I HAVE NOTHING TO GIVE
- FEAR OF LOSING THE FRIENDSHIP



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**Better is open rebuke than hidden love.** Wounds from a friend can be trusted, but an enemy multiplies kisses.

Prov 27:5-6 NIV

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