

JONAH



### **Jonah 3:10 NET**

When God saw their actions—that they turned from their evil way of living—God relented concerning the judgment he had threatened them with and did not destroy them.



**Jonah 4:1 (Wishful Thinking Translation)**

This moved Jonah and he was overcome by tears of gratitude.



**Jonah 4:1 NET**

This displeased Jonah terribly and he became angry.



## **Jonah 4:2 NET**

He prayed to the LORD and said, “Oh, LORD, this is just what I thought would happen when I was in my own country. This is what I tried to prevent by attempting to escape to Tarshish, because I knew that you are a gracious and compassionate God, slow to anger and abounding in mercy, and one who relents concerning threatened judgment.”



### **Jonah 4:3-4 NET**

So now, LORD, kill me instead, because I would rather die than live!”<sup>4</sup> The LORD said, “Are you really so very angry?”



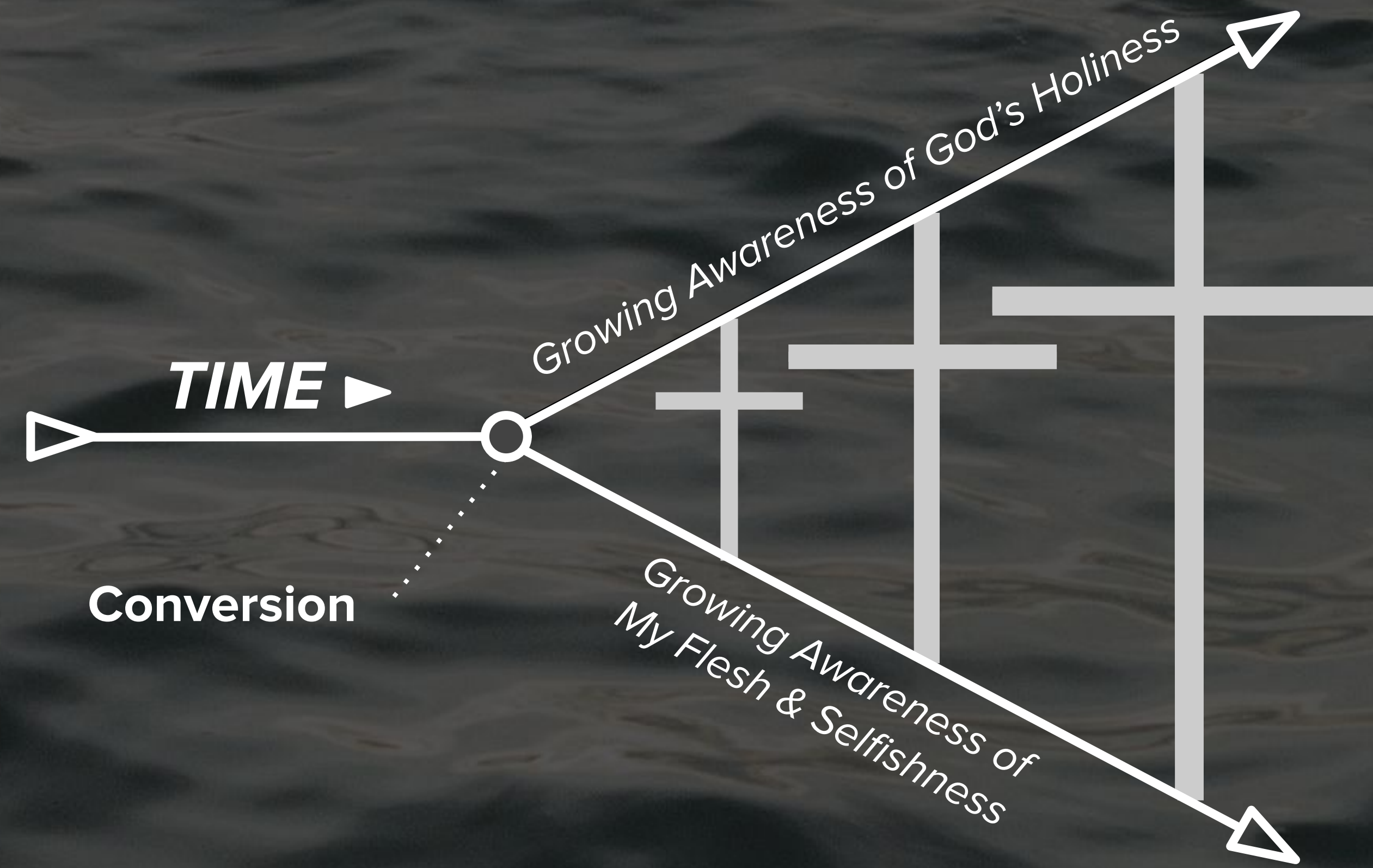
## T A N T R U M

The generosity of God  
displeased Jonah exceedingly  
and he slashed with angry prayer  
at the graciousness of the Almighty.  
“I told You so,” he screamed.  
“I knew what You would do,  
You dirty Forgiver.

You bless Your enemies  
and show kindness to those  
who spitefully use You.  
I would rather die  
than live in a world  
with a God like You.  
And don't try to forgive me either.”

- Thomas John Carlisle, *You! Jonah! (1968)*



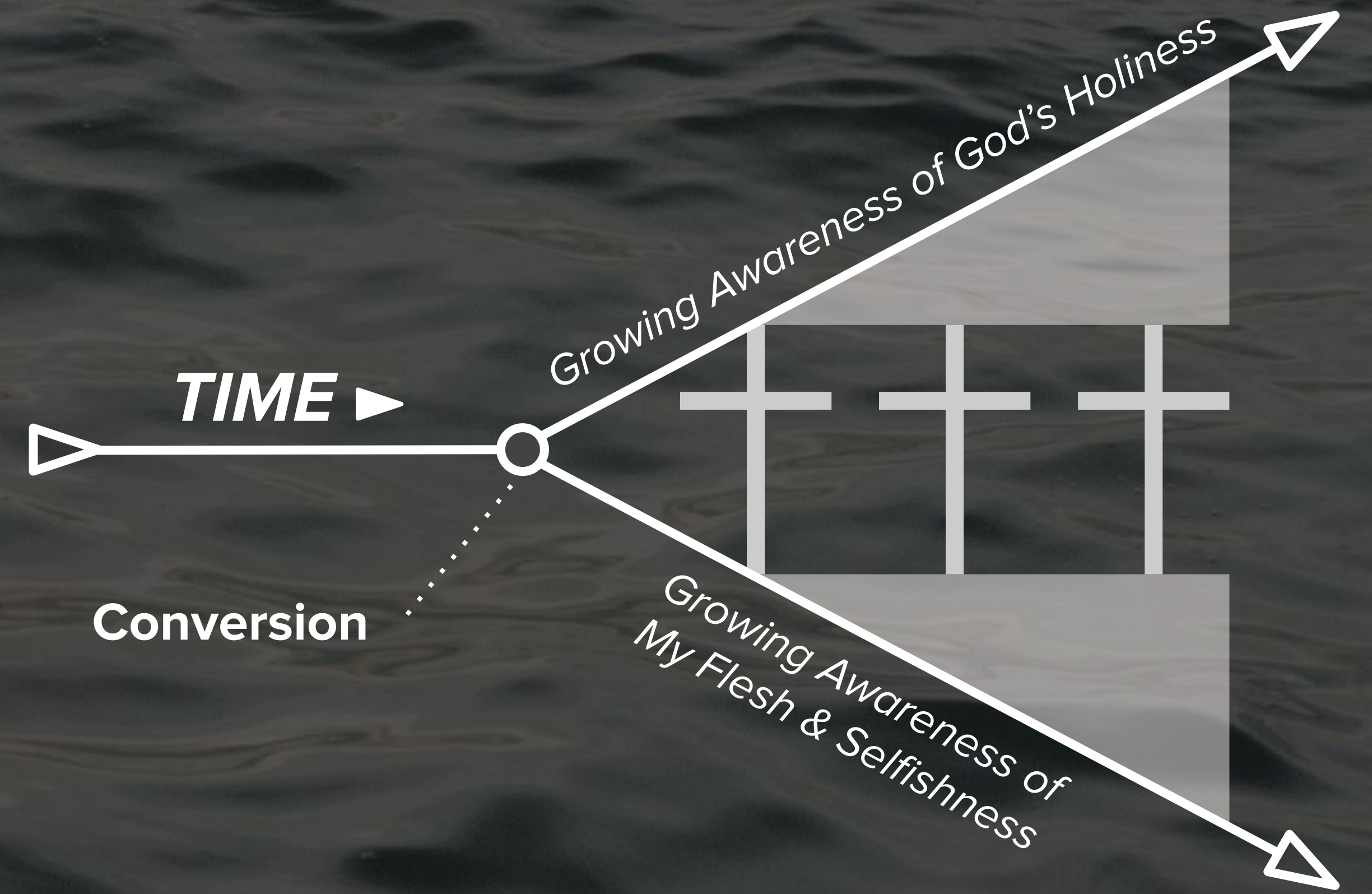
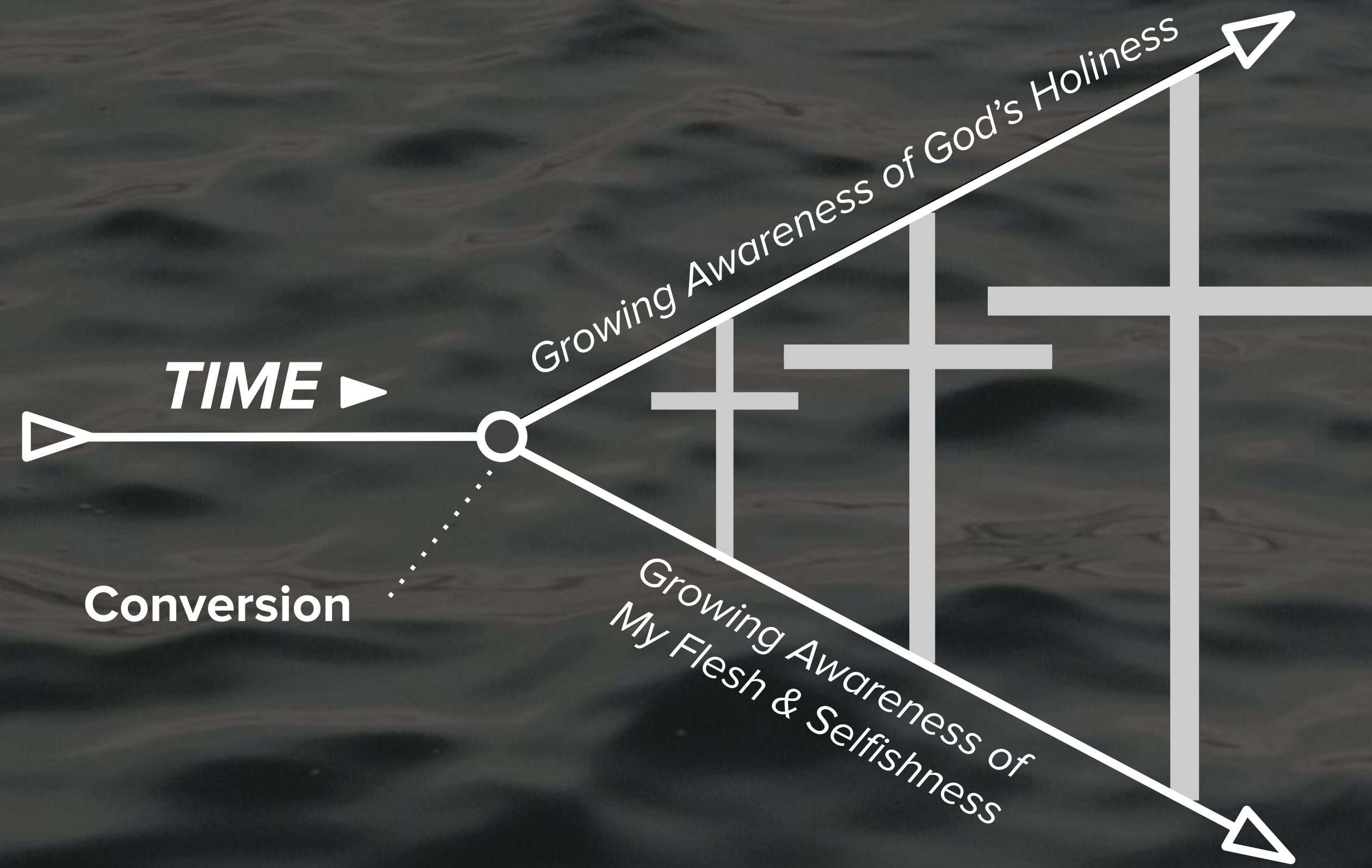




## **Jonah 4:5 NET**

Jonah left the city and sat down east of it. He made a shelter for himself there and sat down under it in the shade to see what would happen to the city.





### **Jonah 4:6-7 NET**

The LORD God appointed a little plant and caused it to grow up over Jonah to be a shade over his head to rescue him from his misery. Now Jonah was very delighted about the little plant. <sup>7</sup> So God sent a worm at dawn the next day, and it attacked the little plant so that it dried up.



### **Jonah 4:8 NET**

When the sun began to shine, God sent a hot east wind. So the sun beat down on Jonah's head, and he grew faint. So he despaired of life and said, "I would rather die than live!"



### **Jonah 4:9-11 NET**

God said to Jonah, “Are you really so very angry about the little plant?” And he said, “I am as angry as I could possibly be!” <sup>10</sup> The LORD said, “You were upset about this little plant, something for which you did not work, nor did you do anything to make it grow. It grew up overnight and died the next day. <sup>11</sup> Should I not be more concerned about Nineveh, this enormous city? There are more than 120,000 people in it who do not know right from wrong, as well as many animals.”



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## COMING AROUND

And Jonah stalked  
to his shaded seat  
and waited for God  
to come around  
to his way of thinking.

And God is still waiting  
for a host of Jonahs  
in their comfortable houses  
to come around  
to His way of loving.

- Thomas John Carlisle, *You! Jonah! (1968)*



## SERENITY PRAYER

God, grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change,  
the courage to change the things I can, and the wisdom to know the difference.  
Living one day at a time, enjoying one moment at a time;  
accepting hardship as a pathway to peace;  
taking, as Jesus did, this sinful world as it is, not as I would have it;  
trusting that You will make all things right if I surrender to Your will;  
so that I may be reasonably happy in this life  
and supremely happy with You forever in the next.

Amen.

