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"Therefore, my brothers and sisters, you whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, dear friends!"

Phil 4:1

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- Learn new strategies (pattern)
- Guard against earthly mind (things)
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Phil 4:4-7

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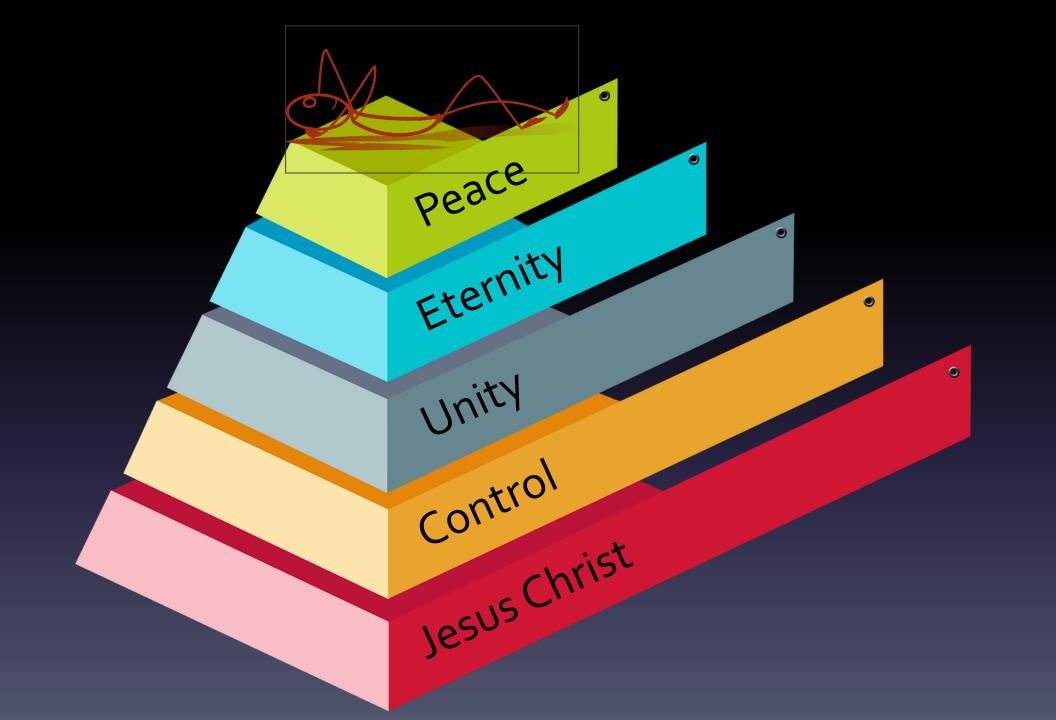
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Relax

Reflect

Rest