



NEW COVENANT CHURCH

MOTIVATION

Why We Do What We Do

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that if One died for all, then all died;*

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*For the **love of Christ compels [controls] us**, because we judge thus: that if One died for all, then all died; 15 and He died for all, that those who live should live no longer for themselves, but for Him who died for them and rose again.*

These questions goes to the heart of our motives or motivations

- 1. Why do people do what they do?**
- 2. Why do we do what we do?**
- 3. Why do you do things you are doing?**

What We Know From Experience and Education

There are two motivational types: intrinsic and extrinsic

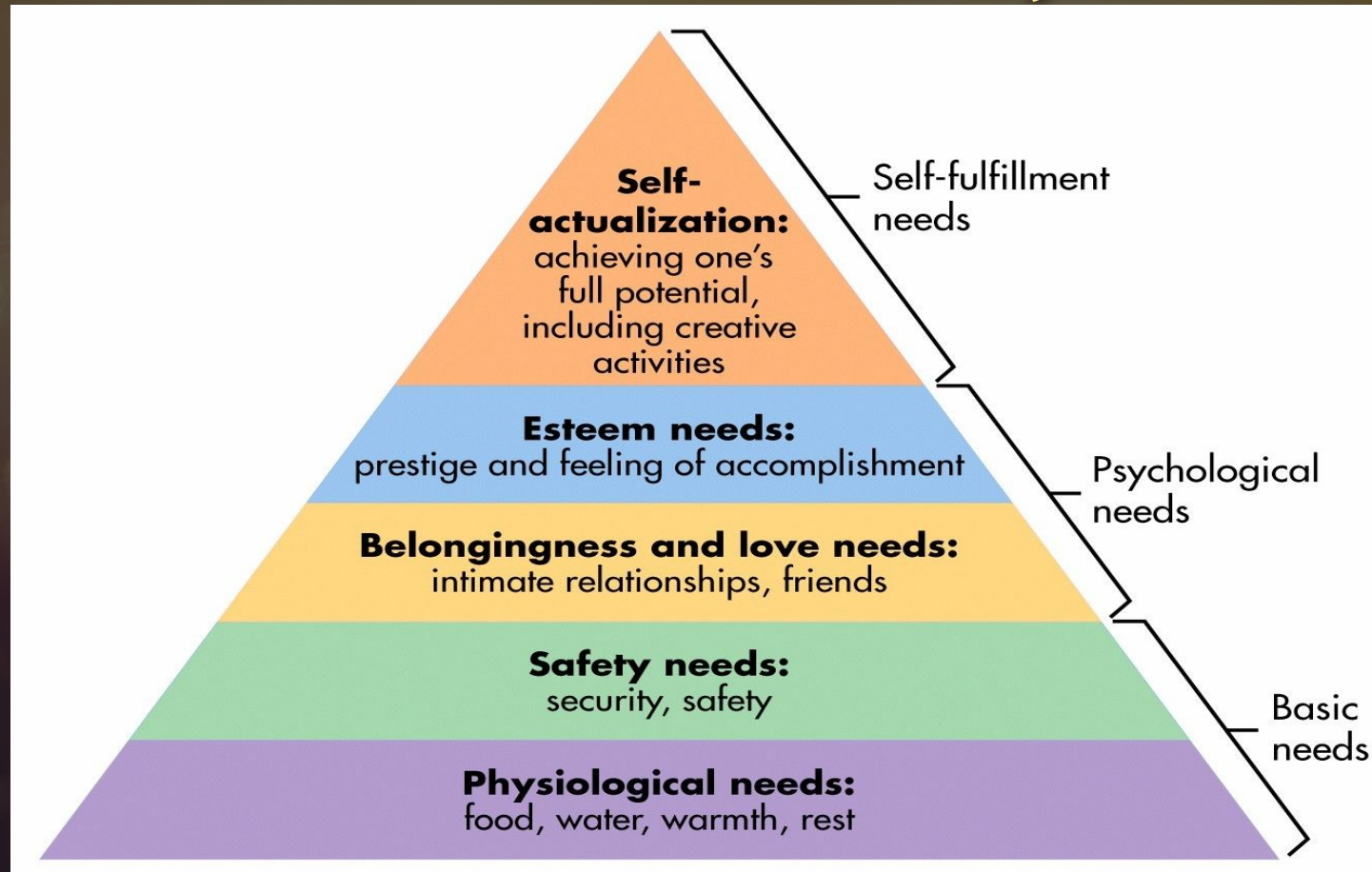
Intrinsic motivation (or internal motivation) comes from within

Extrinsic motivation (or external motivation) refers to external factors that drive you to do something.

Five Types of Intrinsic (or internal) motivation

1. Learning motivation (or competence motivation)
2. Attitude motivation
3. Achievement motivation
4. Creative motivation
5. Physiological motivation

Dr. Abraham Maslow's hierarchy of needs



<https://www.medicalnewstoday.com/articles/maslows-hierarchy-of-needs#five-needs>

Four Types of Extrinsic (or external) motivation

1. Incentive motivation
2. Fear motivation
3. Power motivation
4. Social motivation

Other Types of Motivation

1. Monetary/Non-Monetary Compensation, Points
2. Leaderboards and Competitive Standing
3. Rewards and Goal Completion
4. Reputation/Fame/Status
5. Community/Collaboration/Relationships
6. Survival
7. Self-esteem
8. Internal Cohesion (Making things make sense)
9. Making a difference for others
10. Service

There is Another, Higher, Motivation

Paul explained it this way to the Corinthians:

1 Corinthians 12:31

*But earnestly desire the best gifts. And yet **I show you a more excellent way.***

The Apostle Paul had his own motivations before he came to know Christ

Philippians 3:4-6

*Though I also might have confidence in the flesh. If anyone else thinks he may have confidence in the flesh, I more so:
5 circumcised the eighth day, of the stock of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of the Hebrews; concerning the law, a Pharisee; 6 concerning zeal, persecuting the church; concerning the righteousness which is in the law, blameless.*

Jesus changed and enhanced Paul's motivation

Philippians 3:7

But what things were gain to me, these I have counted loss for Christ. 8 Yet indeed I also count all things loss for the excellence of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord

*13 Brethren, I do not count myself to have [d]apprehended; but one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead, 14 I press toward the goal for the prize of the **upward [high] call of God** in Christ Jesus.*

A New Motive and Motivation - LOVE

1 Corinthians 12:31 *But earnestly desire the best gifts. And yet I show you a more excellent way.*

1 Corinthians 13:1, *Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, but have not **love**, I have become sounding brass or a clanging cymbal. 2 And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, but have not **love**, I am nothing. 3 And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, but have not **love**, it profits me nothing.*

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1 Corinthians 14:4 **Love** suffers long and is kind; **love** does not envy; **love** does not parade itself, is not puffed up; 5 **[love]** does not behave rudely, does not seek its own, **[love]** is not provoked, **[love]** thinks no evil; 6 **[love]** does not rejoice in iniquity, **[love]** rejoices in the truth; 7 **[love]** bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

8 **Love** never fails. But whether there are prophecies, they will fail; whether there are tongues, they will cease; whether there is knowledge, it will vanish away

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1 Corinthians 14:11, *When I was a child, I spoke as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child; but when I became a man, I put away childish things. 12 For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part, but then I shall know just as I also am known.*

*13 And now abide faith, hope, love, these three; but **the greatest of these is love.***