

The Perseverance of the Saints of God

Philippians 1:3-8

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I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, always offering prayer with joy in my every prayer for you all, in view of your participation in the gospel from the first day until now.

For I am confident of this very thing, that He who began a good work in you will perfect it until the day of Christ Jesus.

For it is only right for me to feel this way about you all, because I have you in my heart, since both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel, you all are partakers of grace with me. For God is my witness, how I long for you all with the affection of Christ Jesus.

The Precept of Perseverance

We are Commanded to Persevere

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We are Commanded to Examine Ourselves

2 Corinthians 13:5

Test yourselves to see if you are in the faith; examine yourselves! Or do you not recognize this about yourselves, that Jesus Christ is in you—unless indeed you fail the test?”

The Perception of Perseverance



Perseverance is seen through...

Godly Comfort

Hebrews 12:11

All discipline for the moment seems not to be joyful, but sorrowful; yet to those who have been trained by it, afterwards it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness.”

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Discipline is not Aimless

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Receiving Instruction

Titus 2:11-4

For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all men, instructing us to deny ungodliness and worldly desires and to live sensibly, righteously and godly in the present age,

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looking for the blessed hope and the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior, Christ Jesus, who gave Himself for us to redeem us from every lawless deed, and to purify for Himself a people for His own possession, zealous for good deeds.”

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Motivation to Obey

2 Corinthians 4:17

For momentary, light affliction is producing
for us an eternal weight of glory far beyond
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Being Set Free

1 John 5:3

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The Problem of Perseverance

What about ongoing sin in my life?

What about weakness in the body?

What if we die while in a state of falling away?

What if I 'prayed the prayer' but I have no fruit?

Will I lose my salvation if I do not persevere?

The Path of Perseverance





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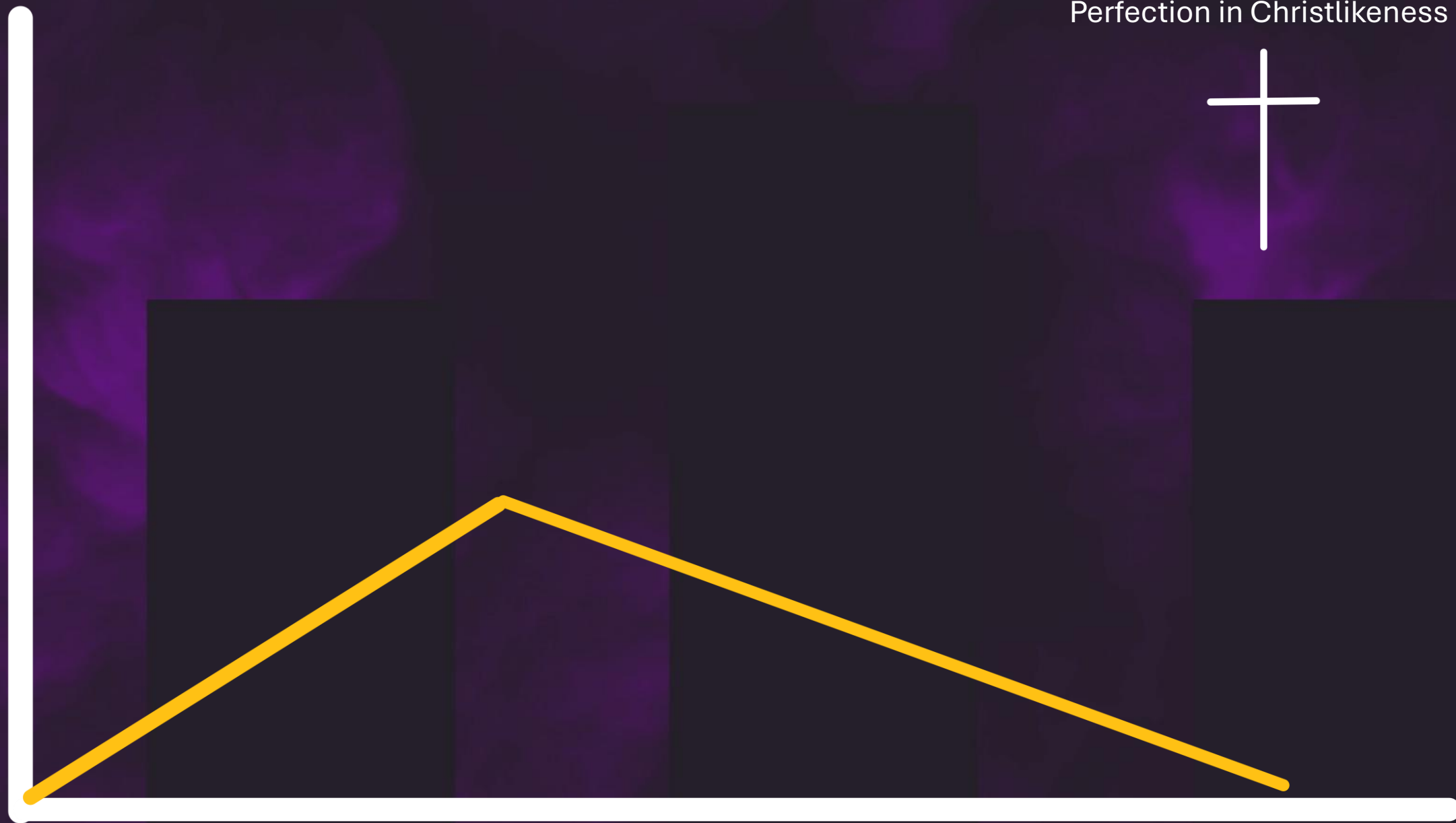
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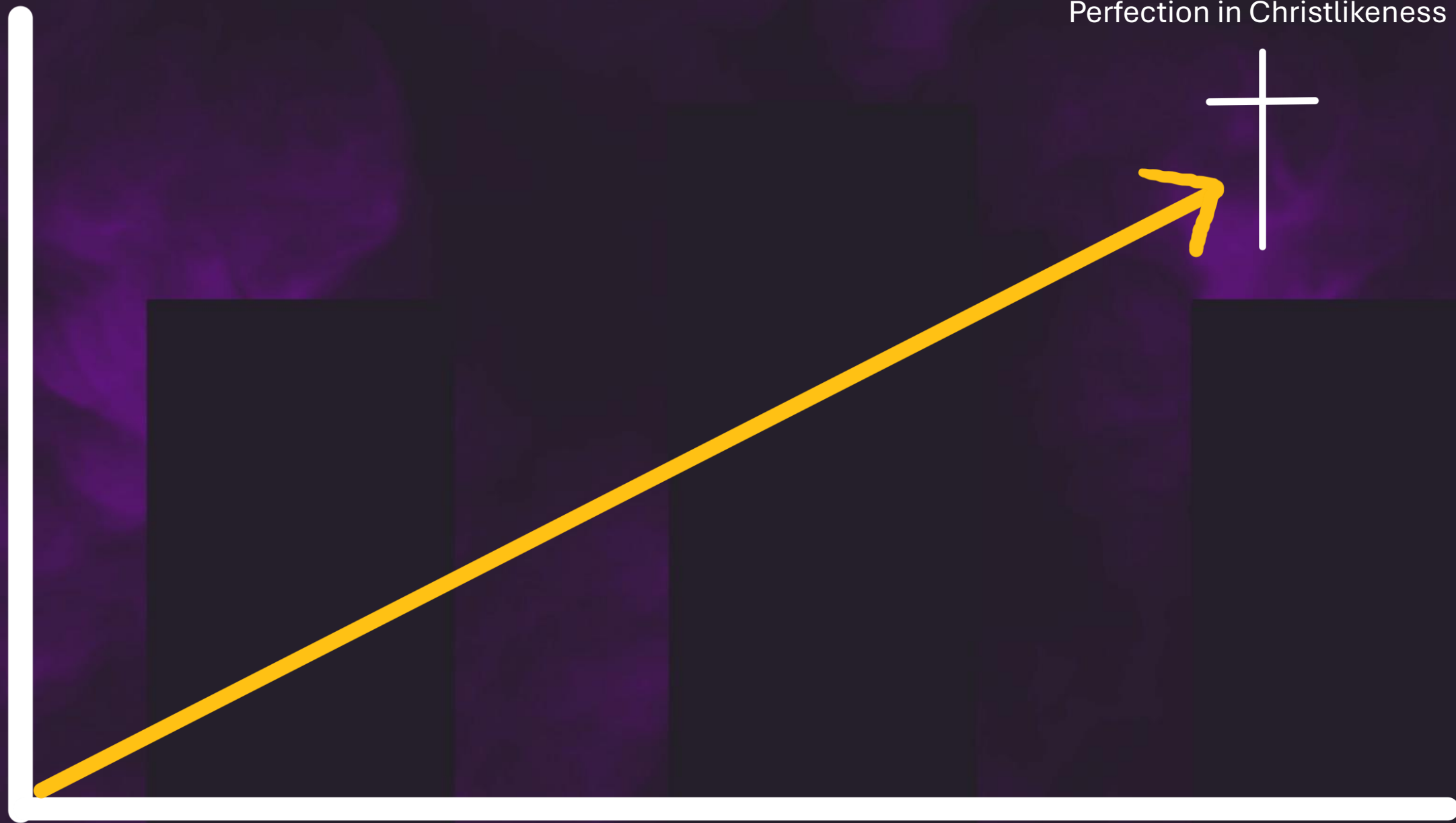


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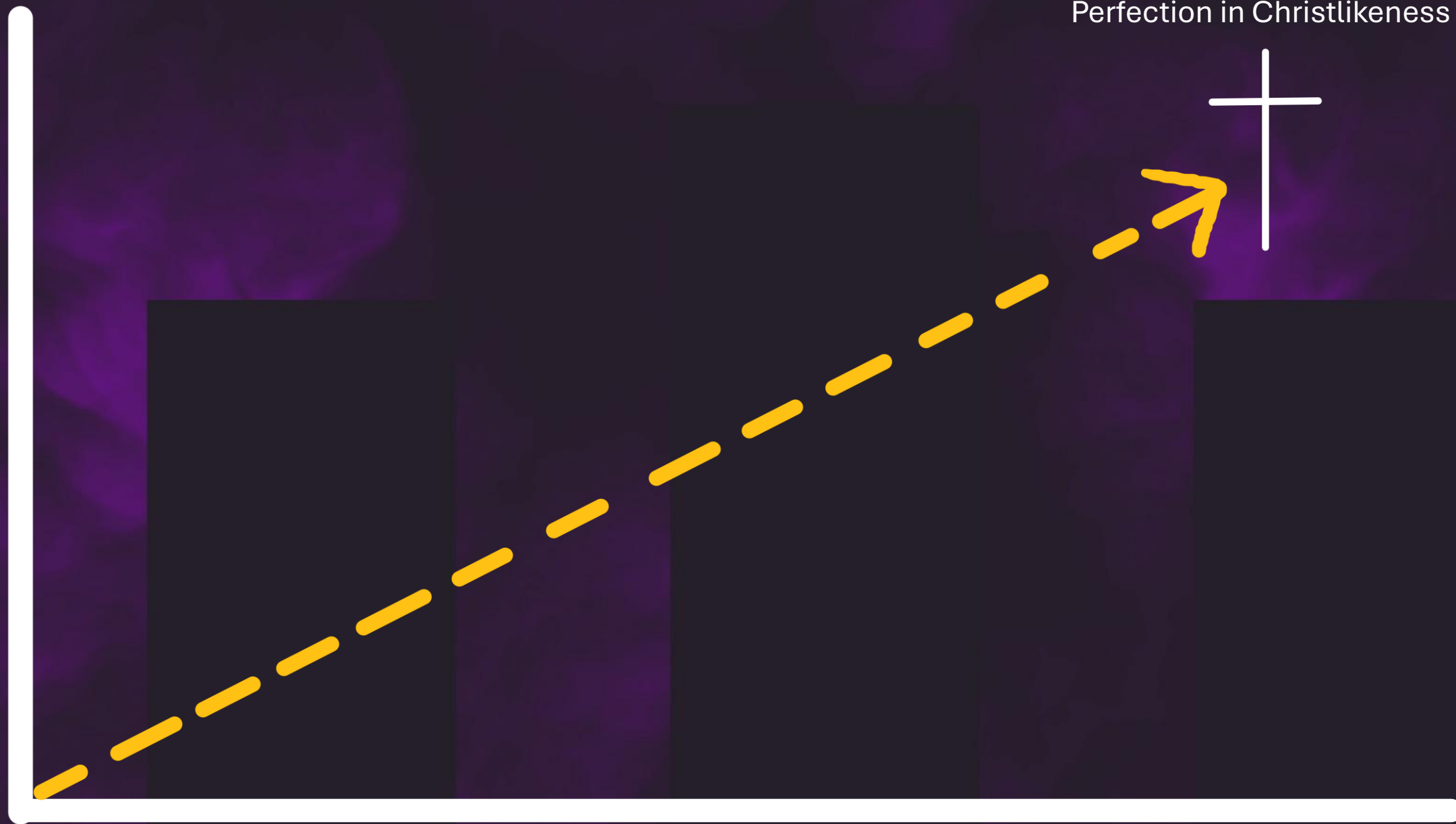


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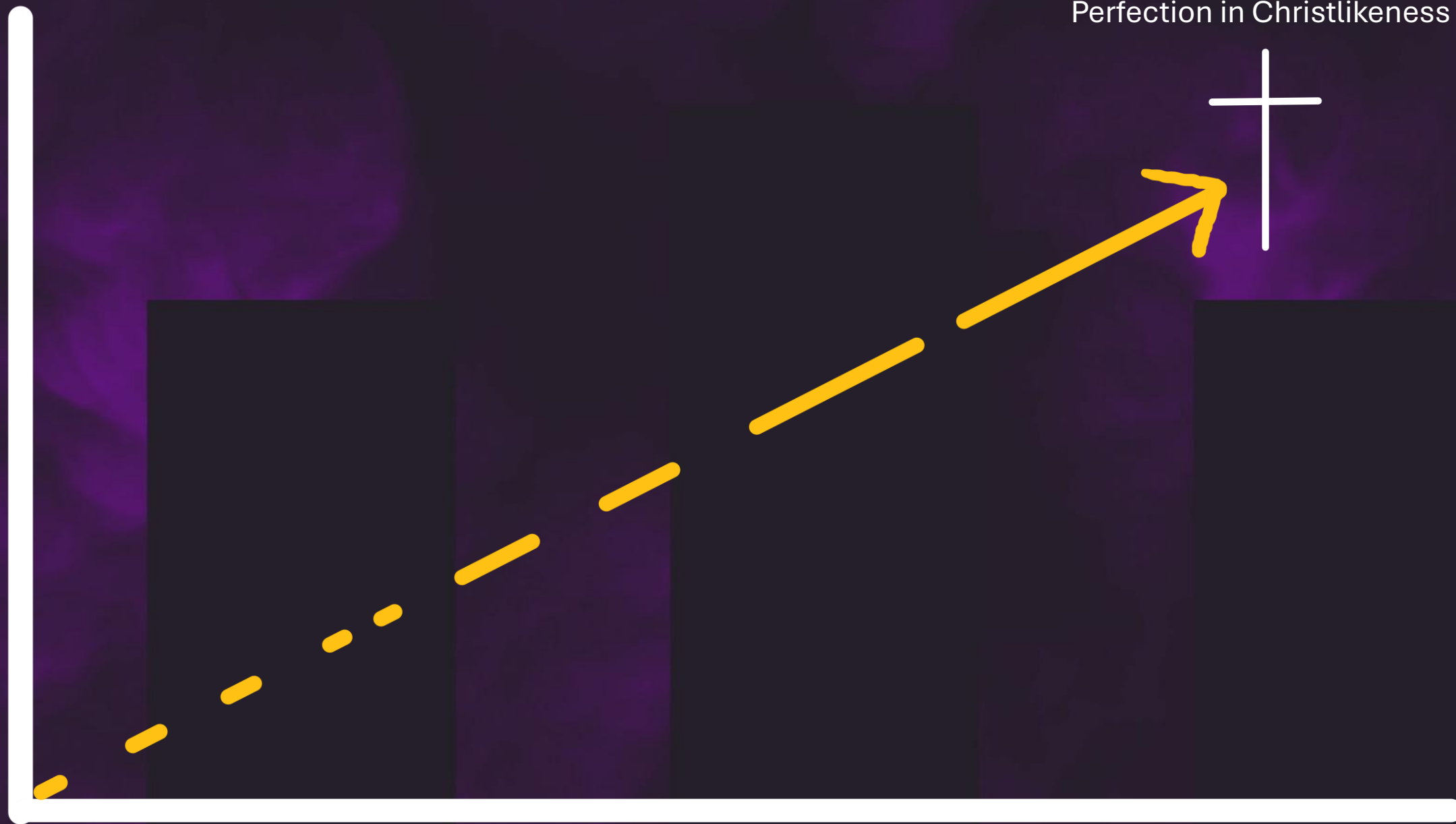


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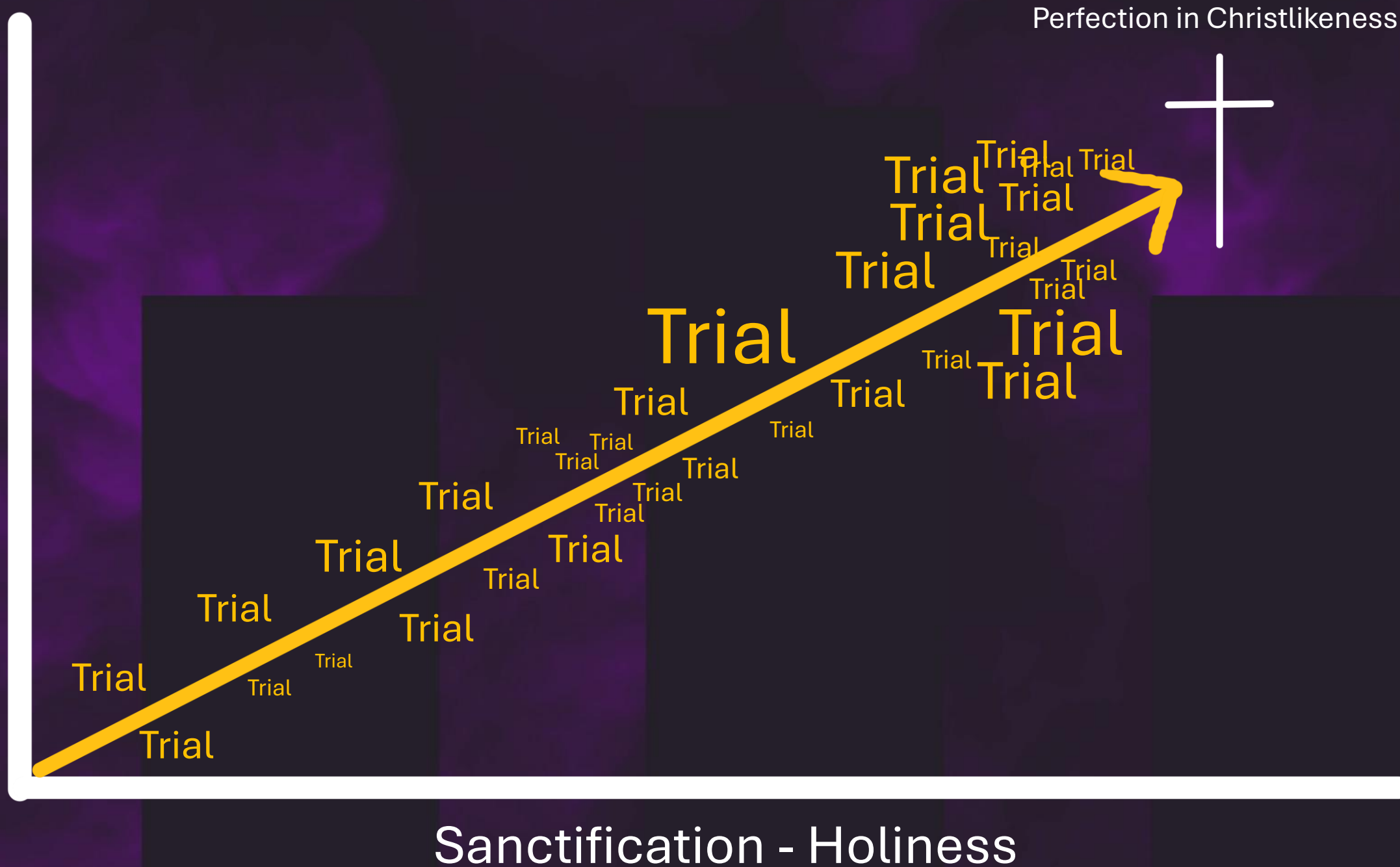
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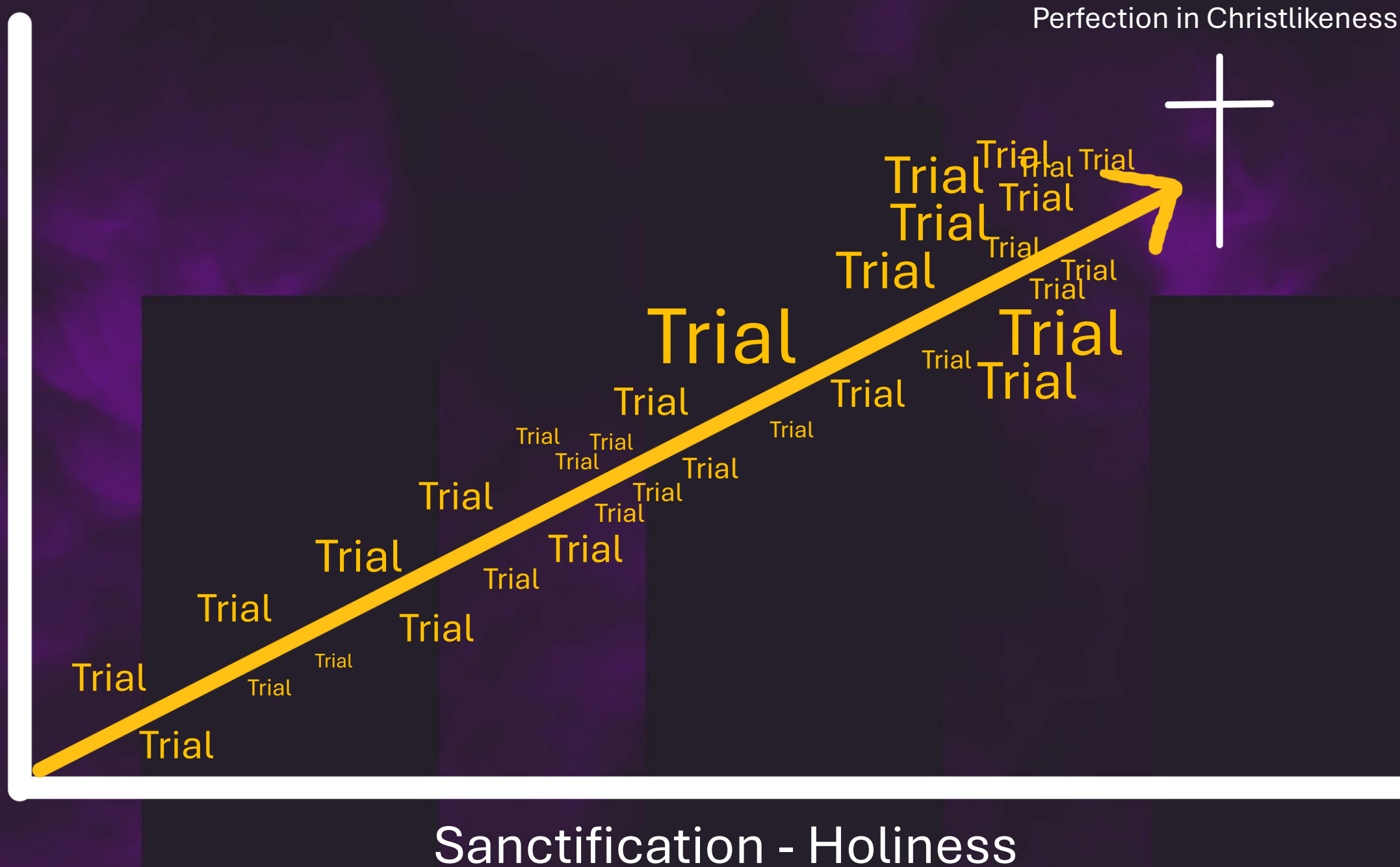
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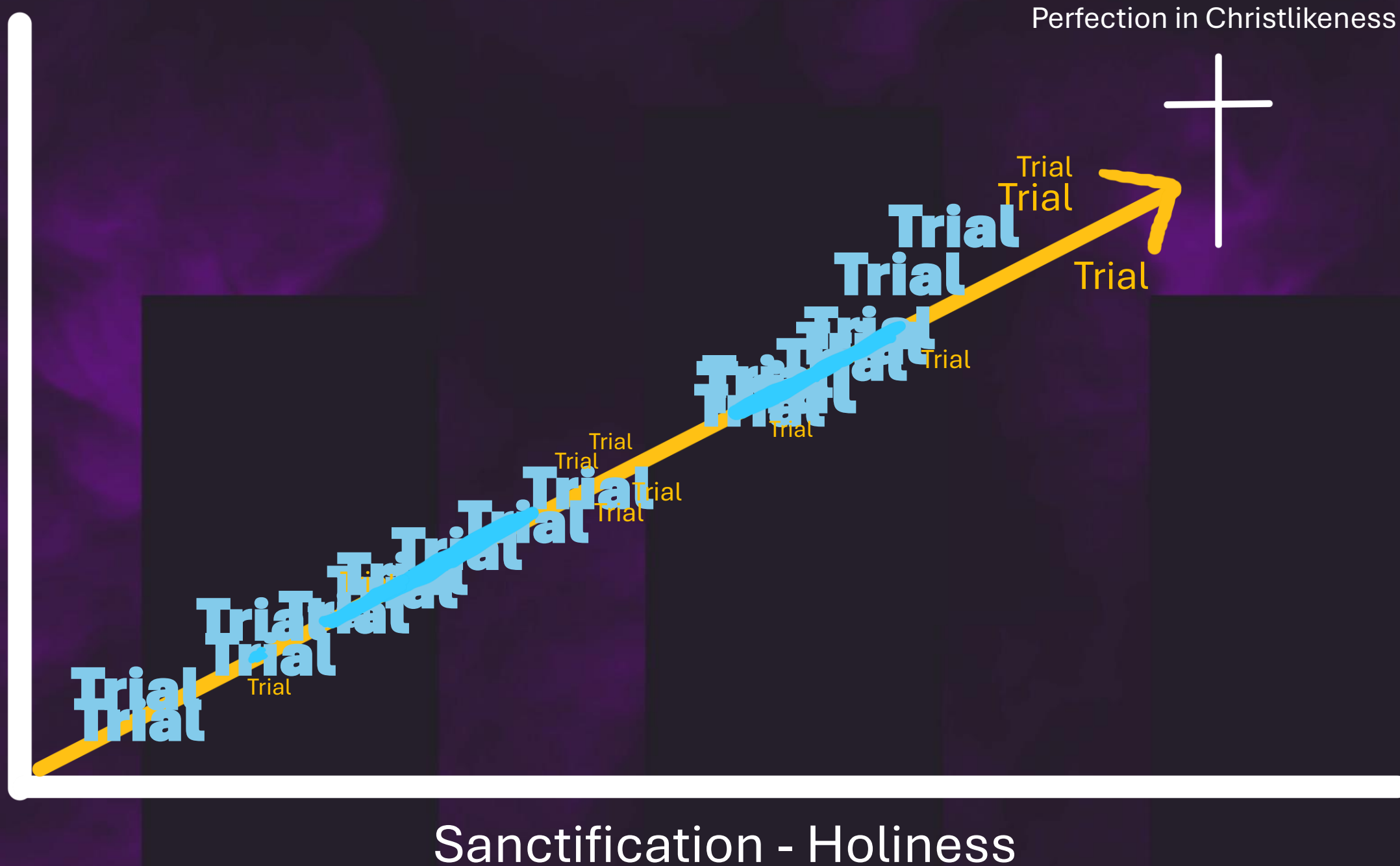
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The Patience of Perseverance

A man named Job

Job 42:5

I have heard of You by the hearing of the ear;
But now my eye sees You

Job 42:12

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of Job more than his beginning;

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Come Thou Fount

By Robert Robinson

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tune my heart to sing thy grace;
streams of mercy, never ceasing,
call for songs of loudest praise.

Teach me some melodious sonnet,
sung by flaming tongues above;
praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it,
mount of God's unchanging love!

Here I raise my Ebenezer;
hither by thy help I'm come;
and I hope, by thy good pleasure,
safely to arrive at home.

Jesus sought me when a stranger,
wandering from the fold of God;
he, to rescue me from danger,
interposed his precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor
daily I'm constrained to be!
Let that grace now, like a fetter,
bind my wandering heart to thee.

Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,
prone to leave the God I love;
here's my heart; O take and seal it;
seal it for thy courts above.

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