



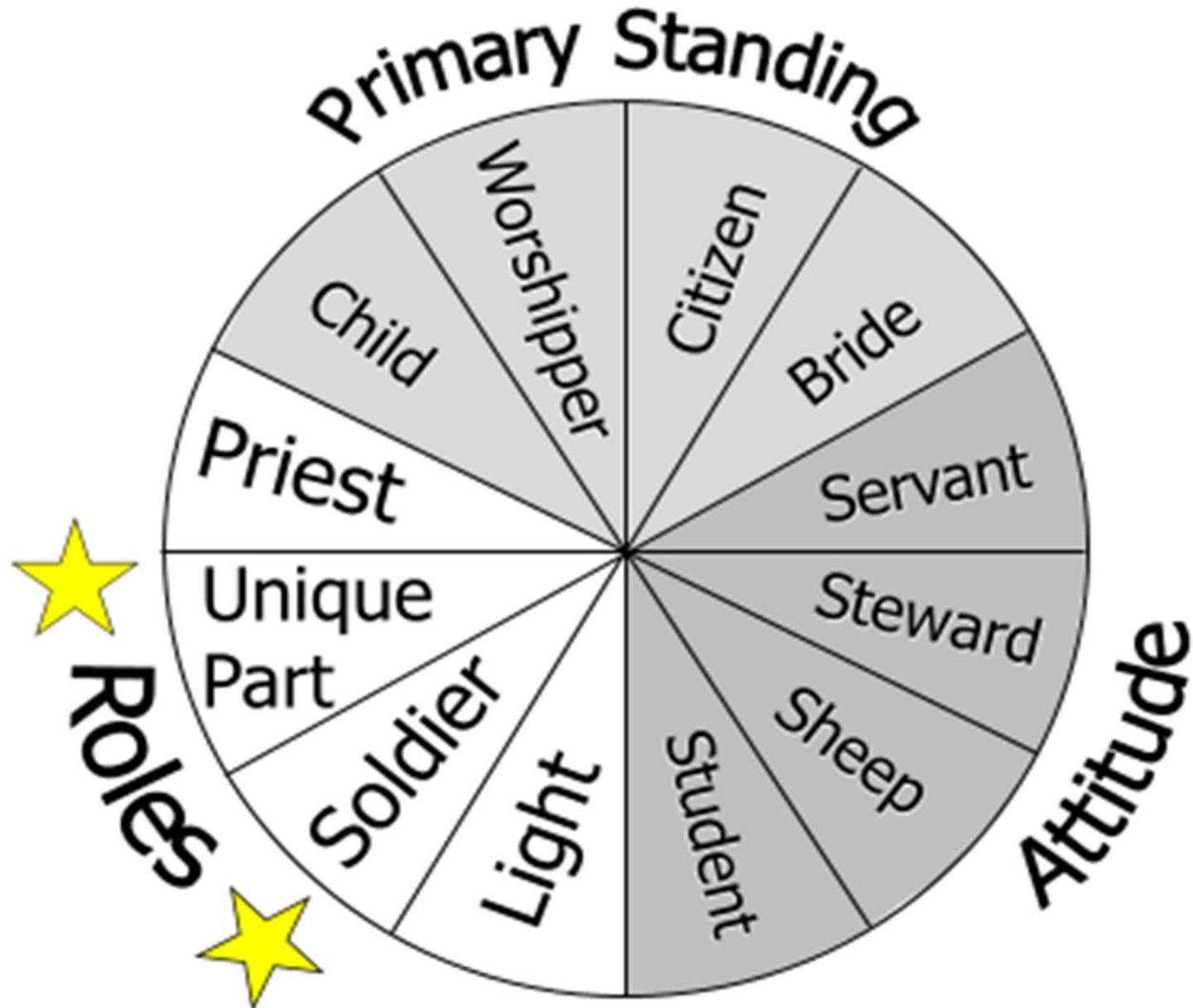
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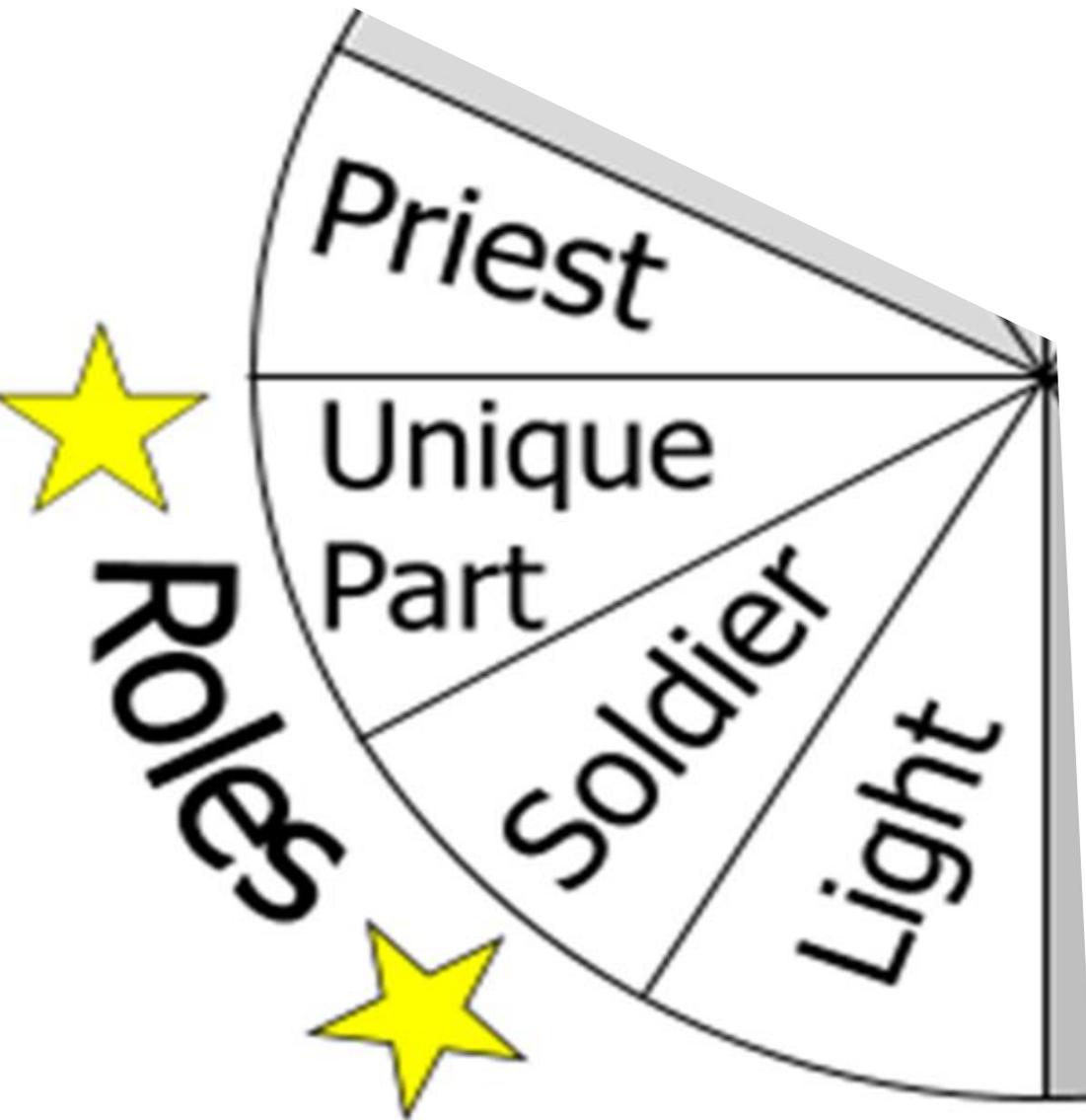
**4 Biblical Roles  
We Have Been  
Given**



**A New  
Creation  
“In Christ”**

# Our True Identity





# Roles:

**What are you designed to do?**

**What are your primary roles on earth?**



# **A STRONG IDENTITY**

**You are a Priest**

**Do you see yourself as a  
priest who brings God's  
presence, truth and power  
to others?**

# **We are a Spiritual House and a Priest**

**1 Peter 2:5, 9–10** ...you also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. . . But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God,

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## **1 Peter 2:5, 9–10**

...that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. 10 Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

# **Role of the Temple**

**The place God's Spirit dwells**

**Where you go to learn who God is**

**Where you go to connect to and  
encounter God**

# **Role of a Jewish Priest**

**Chosen and set apart by God**

**Offers sacrifices to God**

**Represents God and meditates  
between God and people**

**Prays and intercede for others**



**What it  
looks like to  
understand  
your role of  
Priest**

**1. We can come boldly into God's presence without fear or shame**

**2 Corinthians 3:17-18 Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. And we all, who with unveiled faces contemplate the Lord's glory, are being transformed into his image with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit.**

**Hebrews 4:16 So let us come boldly to the throne of our gracious God. There we will receive his mercy, and we will find grace to help us when we need it most.**

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**2. We are competent and effective ministers, because God's Spirit is in us.**

**2 Corinthians 3:3-6 ...You show that you are a letter from Christ, the result of our ministry, written not with ink but with the Spirit of the living God, not on tablets of stone but on tablets of human hearts. <sup>4</sup> Such confidence we have through Christ before God. <sup>5</sup> Not that we are competent in ourselves to claim anything for ourselves, but our competence comes from God. <sup>6</sup> He has made us competent as ministers of a new covenant**

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2. We are competent and effective ministers because of God's Spirit is in us.
3. It is a 24/7 role to the people all around you.
4. **We minister through our words, actions, presence and prayers.**

# **Challenge**

**Boldly come into the presence of  
God, open your life to Him and  
worship Him**

**Look for opportunities to minister  
to others in words, actions,  
presence and prayers**