

Human Values Model

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1958: Born in Tanzania

1962–1970: in India, Primary education

1970: Came to UK

1980: met Sri Sathya Sai, who sparked my interest in HVs

Biochemical Engineer, Environment Consultant, Maths tutor

Humanitarian...

What are human values?

Source and drivers of all human
motivations

(Latin word 'valere' means 'to be of worth')

How human beings operate

Knowledge / Intellect

Head

Thought / Mind

'Heart'

Action / Speech

Hands

Story: Sponsoring tree planting

STALL 1

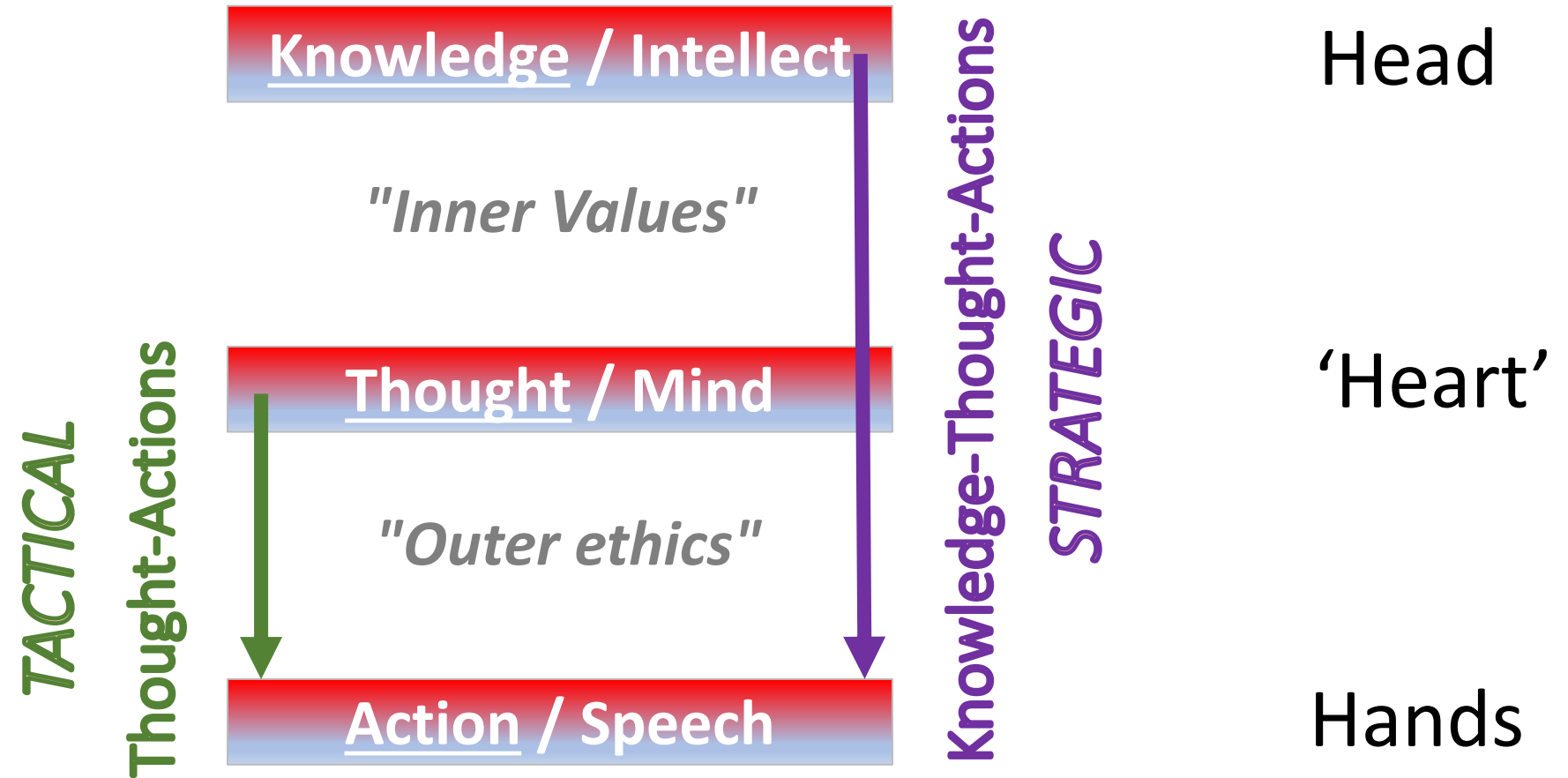
- £5 a tree
- Sponsors 2 trees; gives £50 note
- Operator thinks of short changing but decides against it
- Receives £40 in change

STALL 2

- £5 a tree
- Sponsors 2 trees; gives £50 note
- Receives £40 in change



How human beings operate



Values at three levels

| ACTION | THOUGHT | KNOWLEDGE |
|---------------------|----------------|---------------------------------|
| Right-conduct | Peace | Non-violation/Violence |
| Duty | Surrender | Appreciation of other cultures |
| Care of possessions | Calm | Appreciation of other religions |
| Helpfulness | Humility | Benevolence |
| Not wasting | Inner silence | Care for the environment |
| Diet | Contentment | Citizenship |
| Hygiene | Concentration | Concern for others |
| Modesty | Dignity | Consideration |
| Posture | Discipline | Co-operation |
| Courage | Self-esteem | Equality |
| Good manners | Harmony | Harmlessness |
| Self-reliance | Equanimity | Morality |
| Dependability | Self-respect | National awareness |
| Perseverance | Understanding | Respect for property |
| Punctuality | Virtue | Social justice |
| Tidy appearance | Happiness | Universal love |

Human brain - spatial traits

Left hemisphere

1. Rational
2. Analysis
3. Logic
4. Detail
5. Maths, science
6. Order

Absolute Truth



Right hemisphere

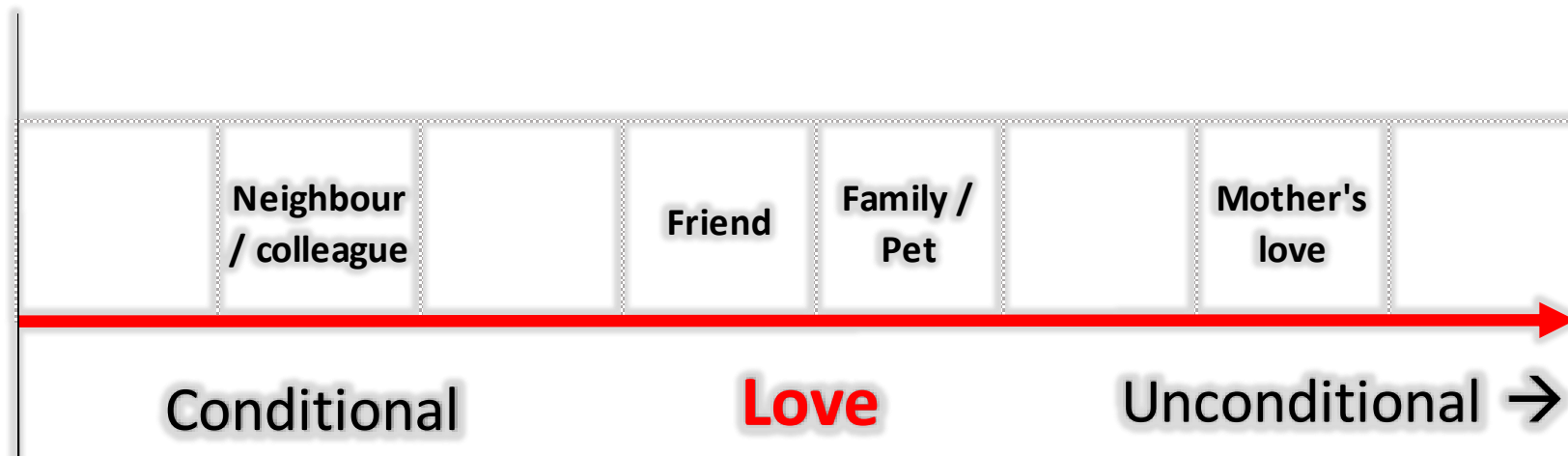
1. Emotional
2. Intuition
3. Imagination
4. Holistic
5. Art, music
6. Spatial

Unconditional Love

Unconditional Love - definition

Love **without conditions** (i.e. categorical) - true **altruism**

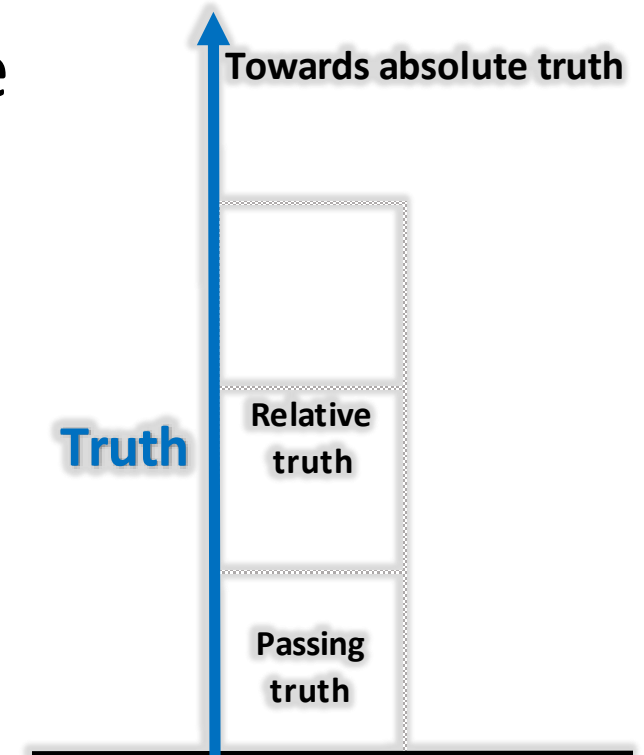
“A form of universal force that seems to be wired into all living things”



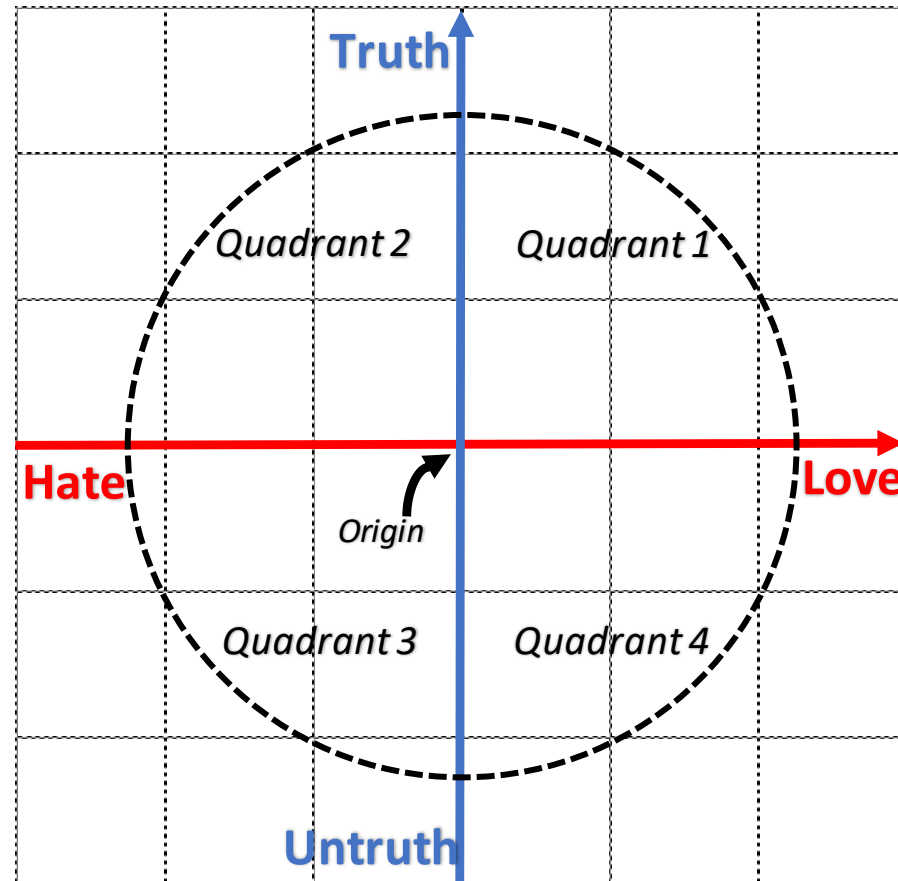
Absolute truth - definition

- That which **does not change** or ceases to be
 - **Difficult to comprehend**

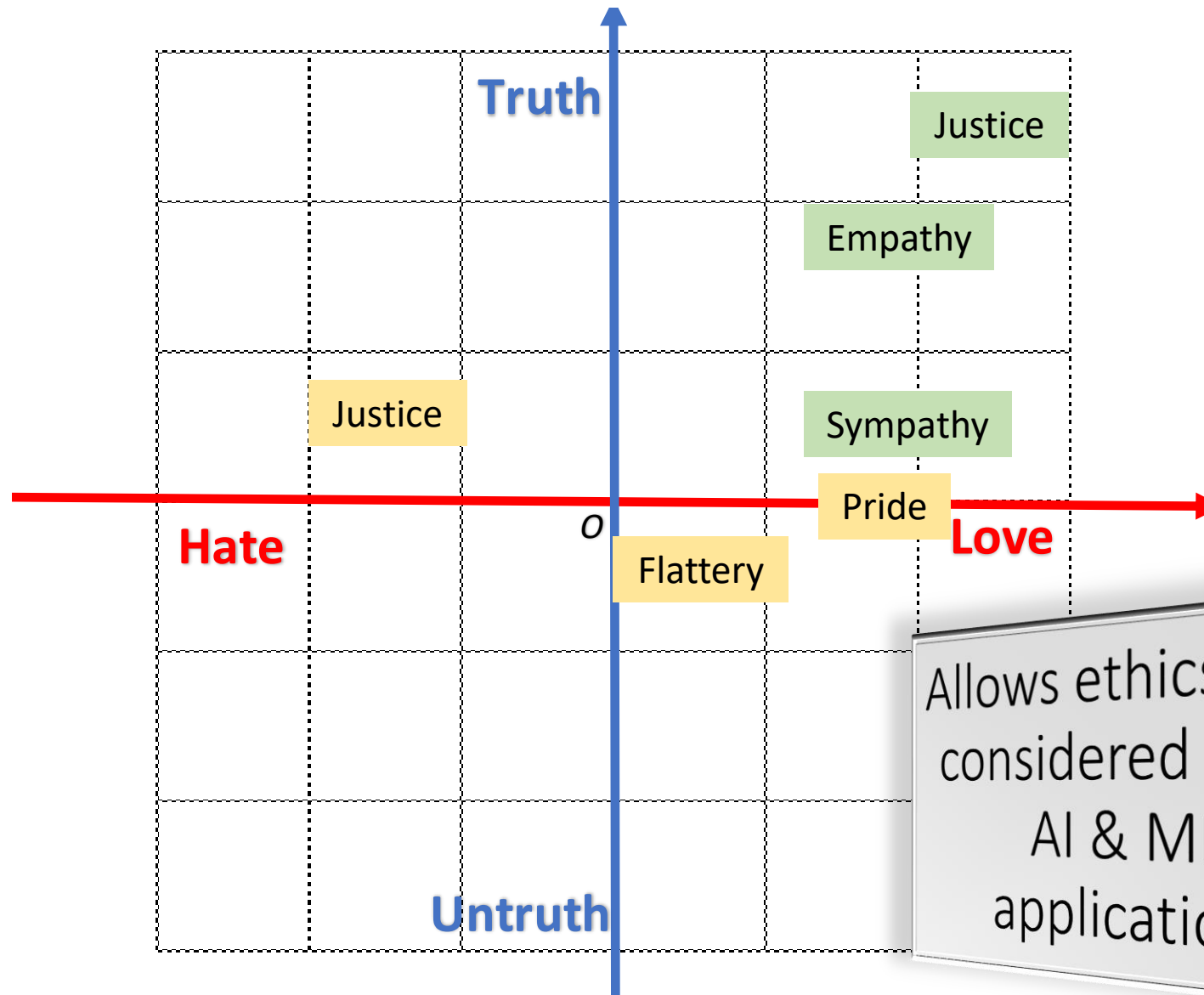
“Absolute truth is limitless, unconditioned and unapproachable”



Love & Truth grid



Related values on L&T grid



Allows ethics to be considered in DS, AI & MH applications

Human values model

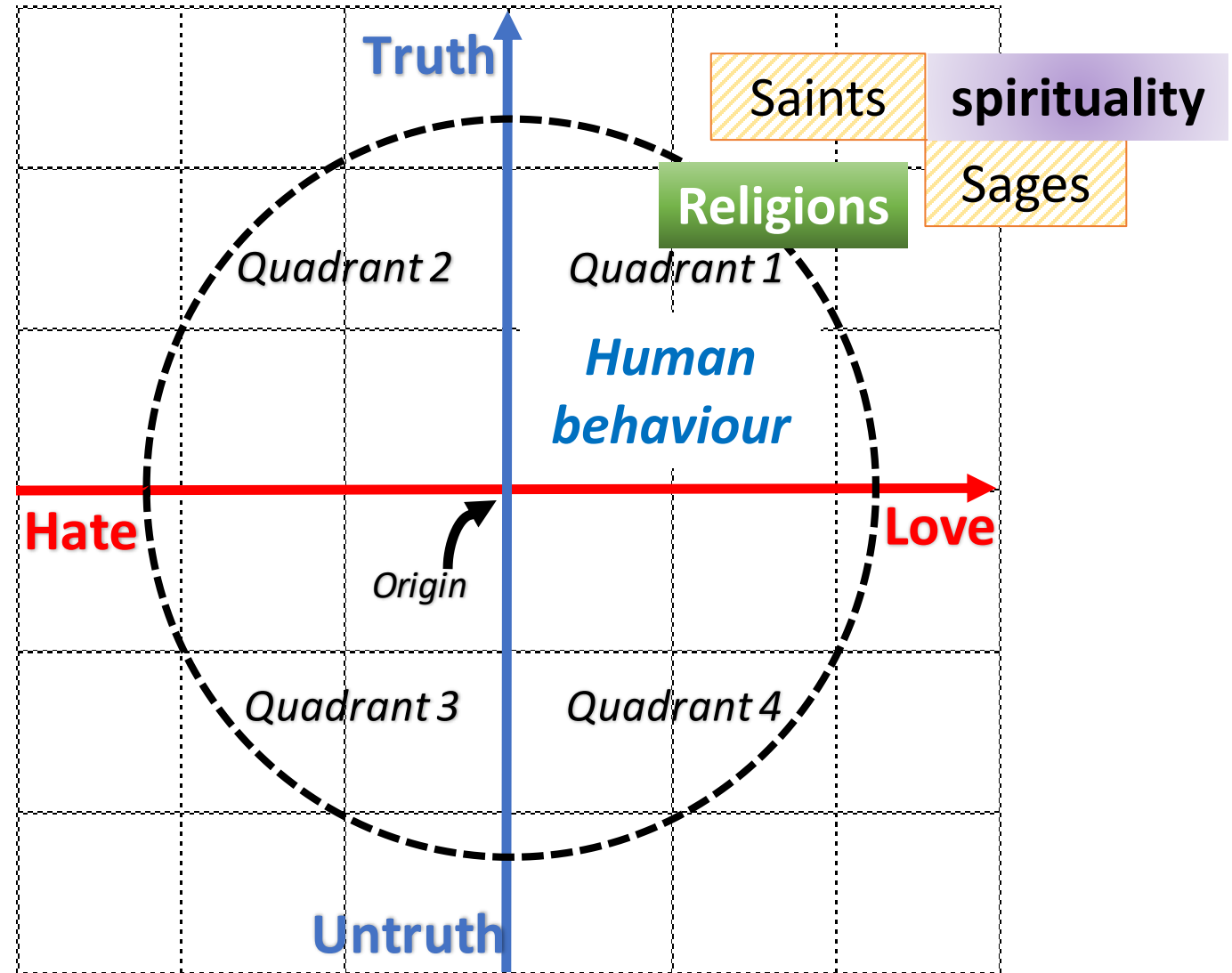


YouTube video:

**Analysing Knowledge, Thought and Actions
Using EHV's Human Values Model**

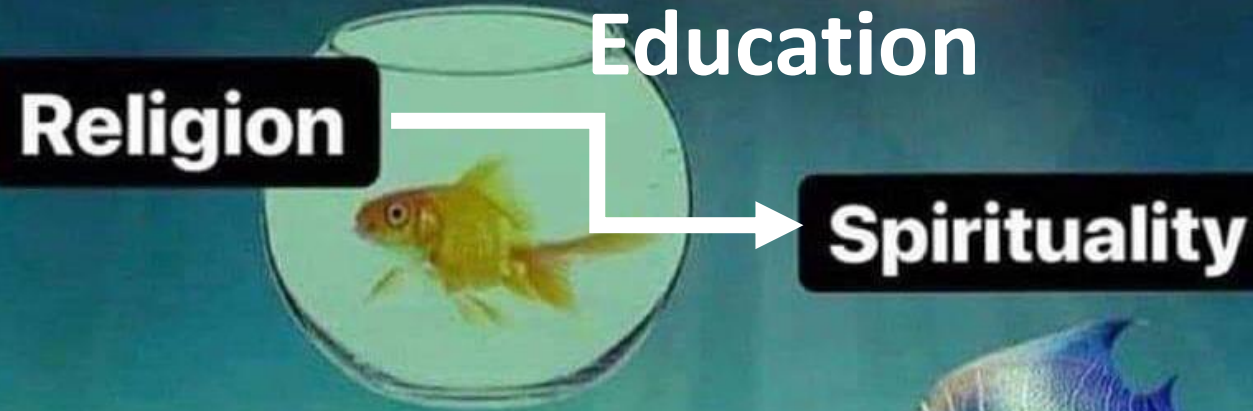
<https://youtu.be/PN5qun931wA>

Love & Truth grid



Global peace
through character
development

by focusing on
inherent values –
the human values



Summary of presentation

1. Human values model shows
 - Behaviour governed by thought - outer ethics (T-A)
 - True humanness emanates from deeper values (K-T-A)
2. The model lends to ethical considerations without referring to any religion
3. Applications would include CBT, AI systems/robotics, decision support, character development tools
4. Looking for academic and other teams to develop projects with – if interested, drop me a line
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