COMPLIMENTARITY

1. DIACHRONIC AND SYNCHRONIC MODELS
2. THEOLOGY AND SCIENCE
3. EMIC AND ETIC VIEWS
4. SCALE
5. SCIENTIFIC DISCIPLINES
6. MECHANICAL AND ORGANIC ANALOGIES

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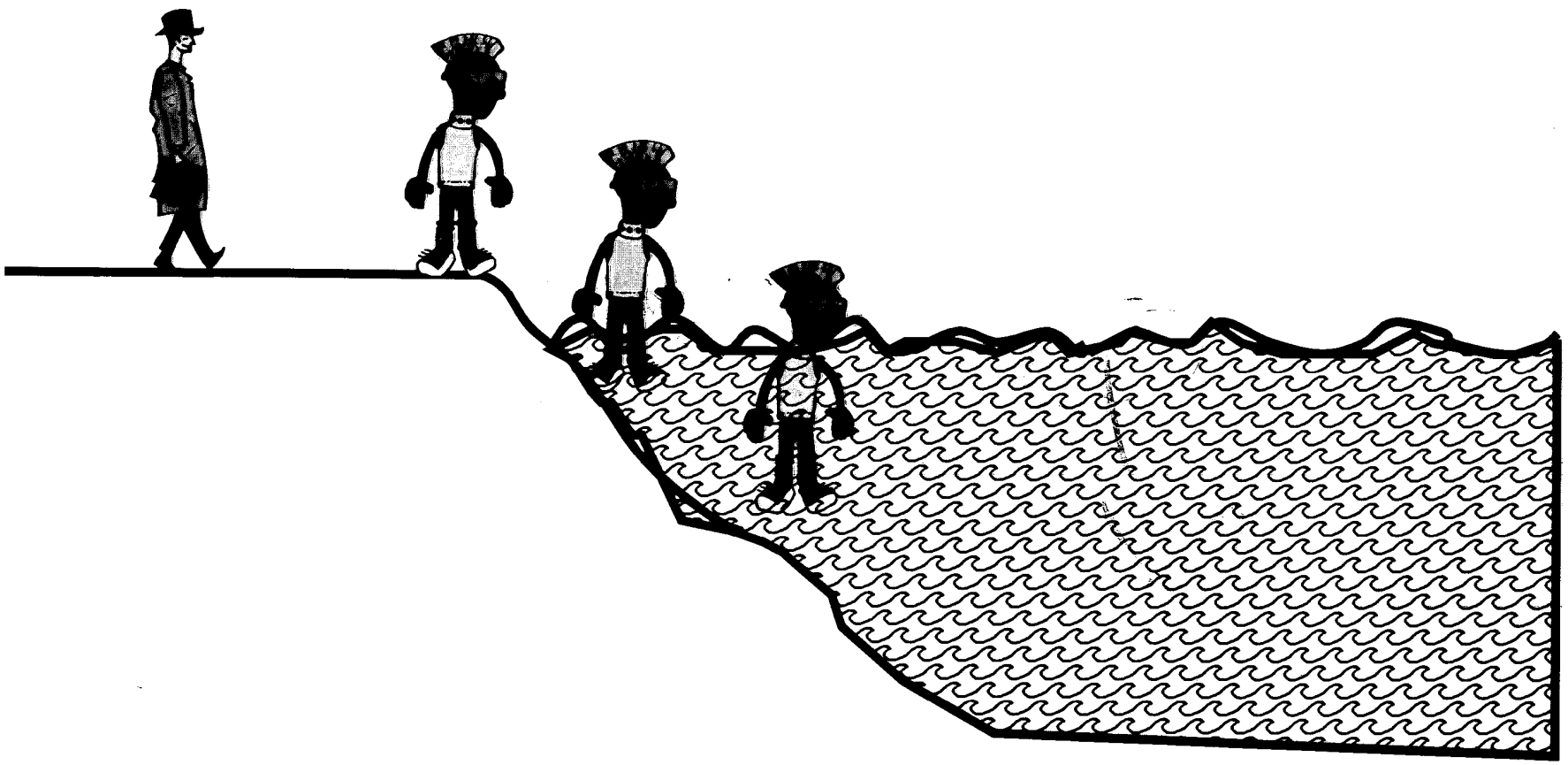

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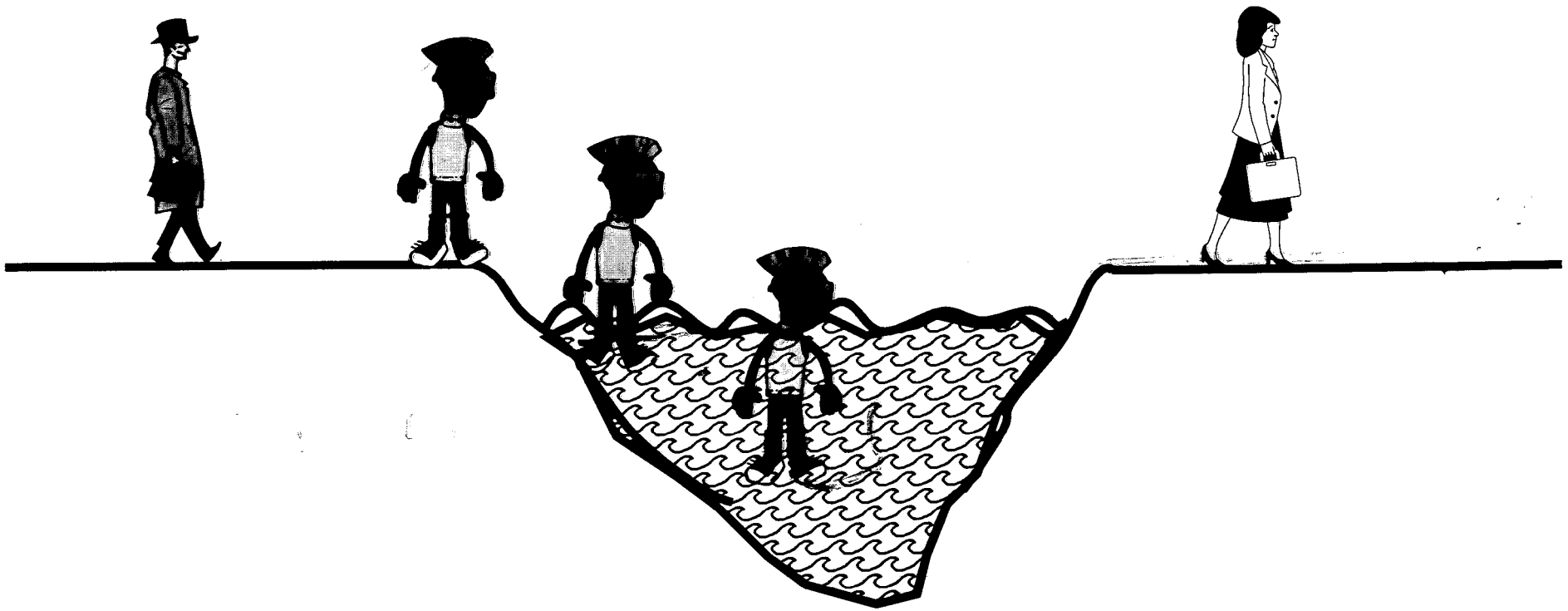

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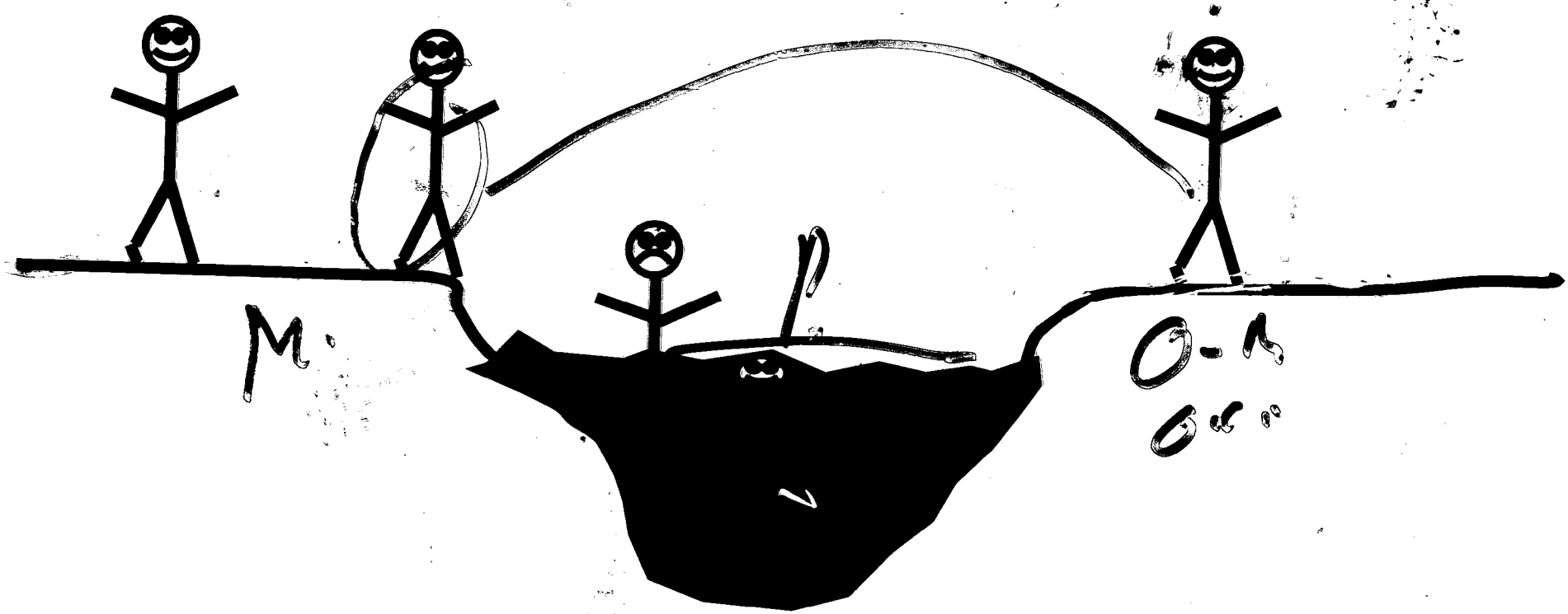


THE GOSPEL IN THE POST-POSTMODERN CONTEST

1. Christian critique of globalism.

2. Christian witness in a glocal world.

3. Christian churches in a glocal world.

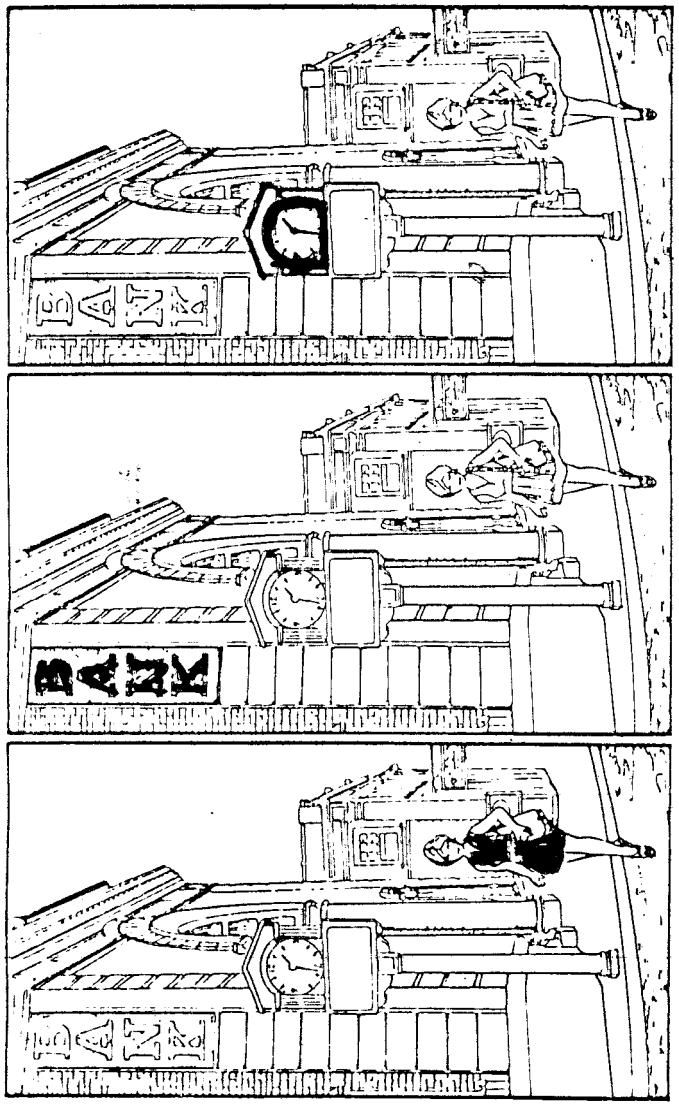
4. Christian missions in a glocal world.

Comprehension happens when you see how one fact relates to another.

. . . and have an an-na moment

EPISTEMOLOGY AND MISSIONS

IDEALISM	AFFIRM TRUTH OF CHRISTIANITY DENY REALITY OF OTHER RELIGIONS
N/REALISM N/IDEALISM	AFFIRM TRUTH OF CHRISTIANITY ATTACK ALL OTHER RELIGIONS AS EVIL
C. REALISM	RESPECT OTHER RELIGIONS BUT AFFIRM TRUTH OF CHRISTIANITY
INST.	ALL RELIGIONS HAVE WORTH
DETER.	ALL BORN TO THEIR RELIGION



ABSTRACTION LADDER

Start reading from the bottom *UP*

8. "wealth"

8. The word "wealth" is at an extremely high level of abstraction, omitting *almost* all reference to the characteristics of Bessie.

7. "asset"

7. When Bessie is referred to as an "asset," still more of her characteristics are left out.

6. "farm assets"

6. When Bessie is included among "farm assets," reference is made only to what she has in common with all other salable items on the farm.

5. "livestock"

5. When Bessie is referred to as "livestock," only those characteristics she has in common with pigs, chickens, goats, etc., are referred to.

4. "cow"

4. The word "cow" stands for the characteristics we have abstracted as common-to cow_1, cow_2, cow_3 . . . cow_n. Characteristics peculiar to specific cows are left out.

3. "Bessie"

3. The word "Bessie" (cow_1) is the *name* we give to the object of perception of level 2. The name *is not* the object; it merely *stands for* the object and omits reference to many of the characteristics of the object.

2.

2. The cow we perceive is not the word, but the object of experience, that which our nervous system abstracts (selects) from the totality that constitutes the process-cow. Many of the characteristics of the process-cow are left out.

1. The cow known to science ultimately consists of atoms, electrons, etc., according to present-day scientific inference. Characteristics (represented by circles) are infinite at this level and ever-changing. This is the *process level.*

Figure 4. Source: S.I. Hayakawa, 'How We Know What We Know"