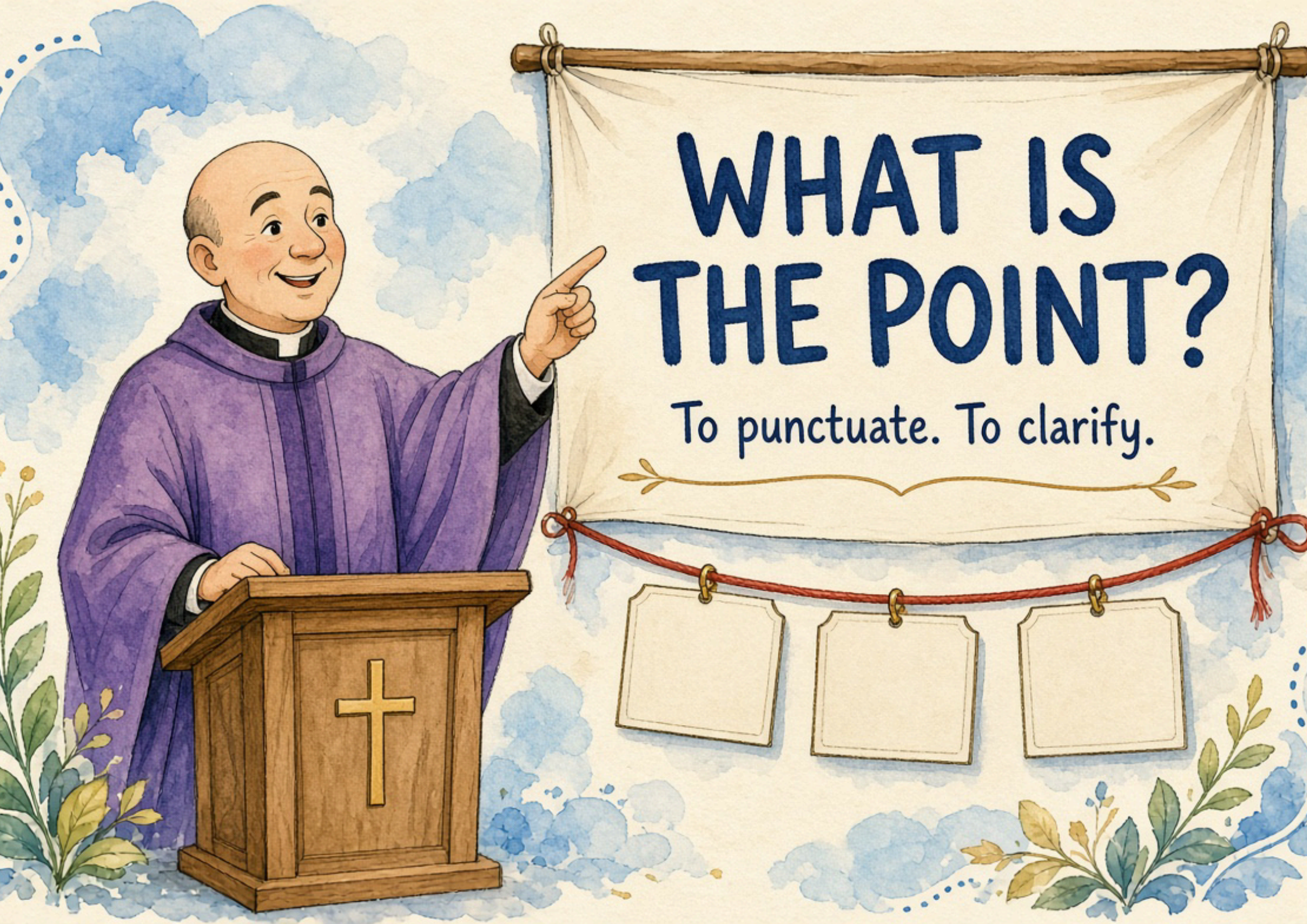
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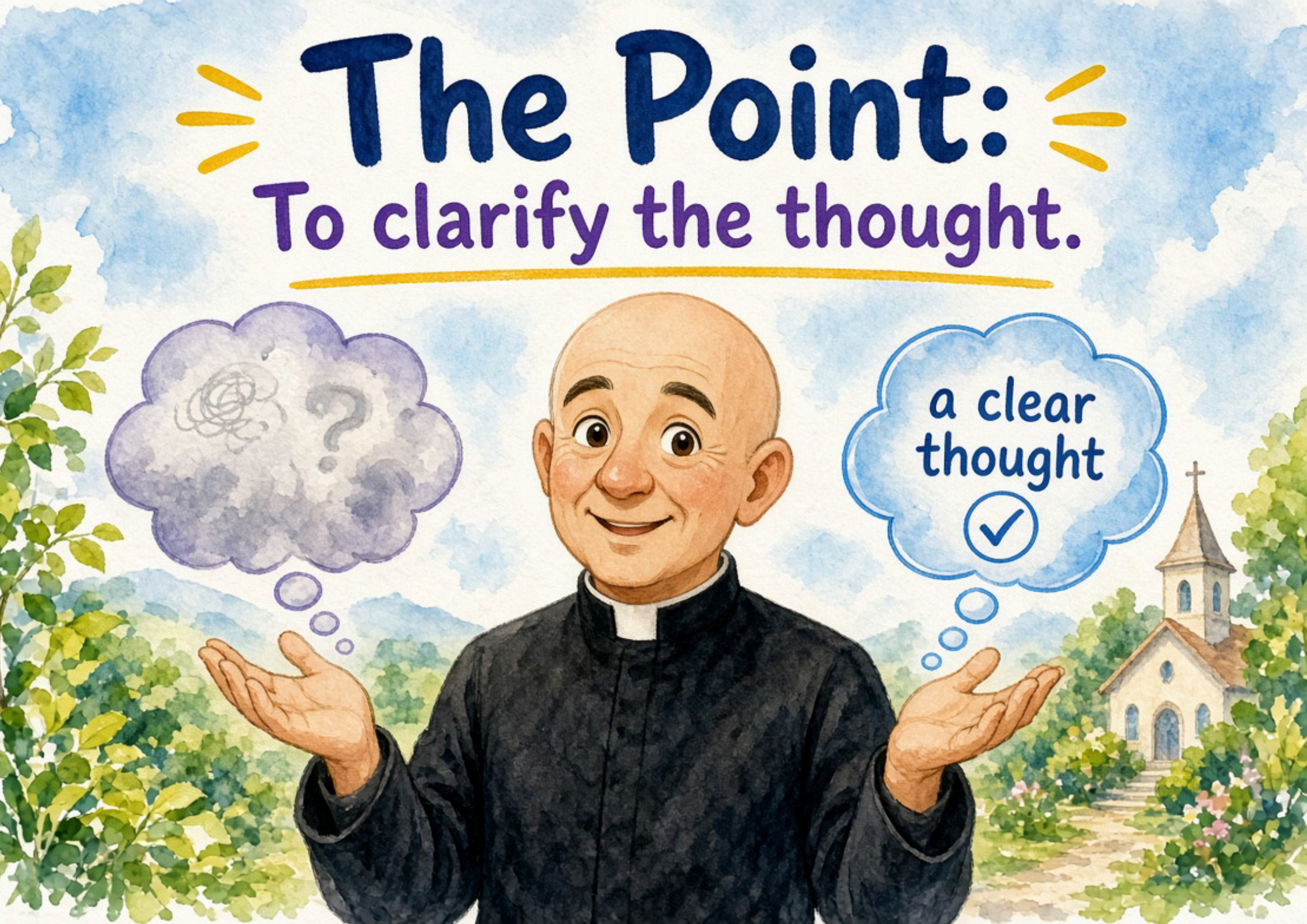
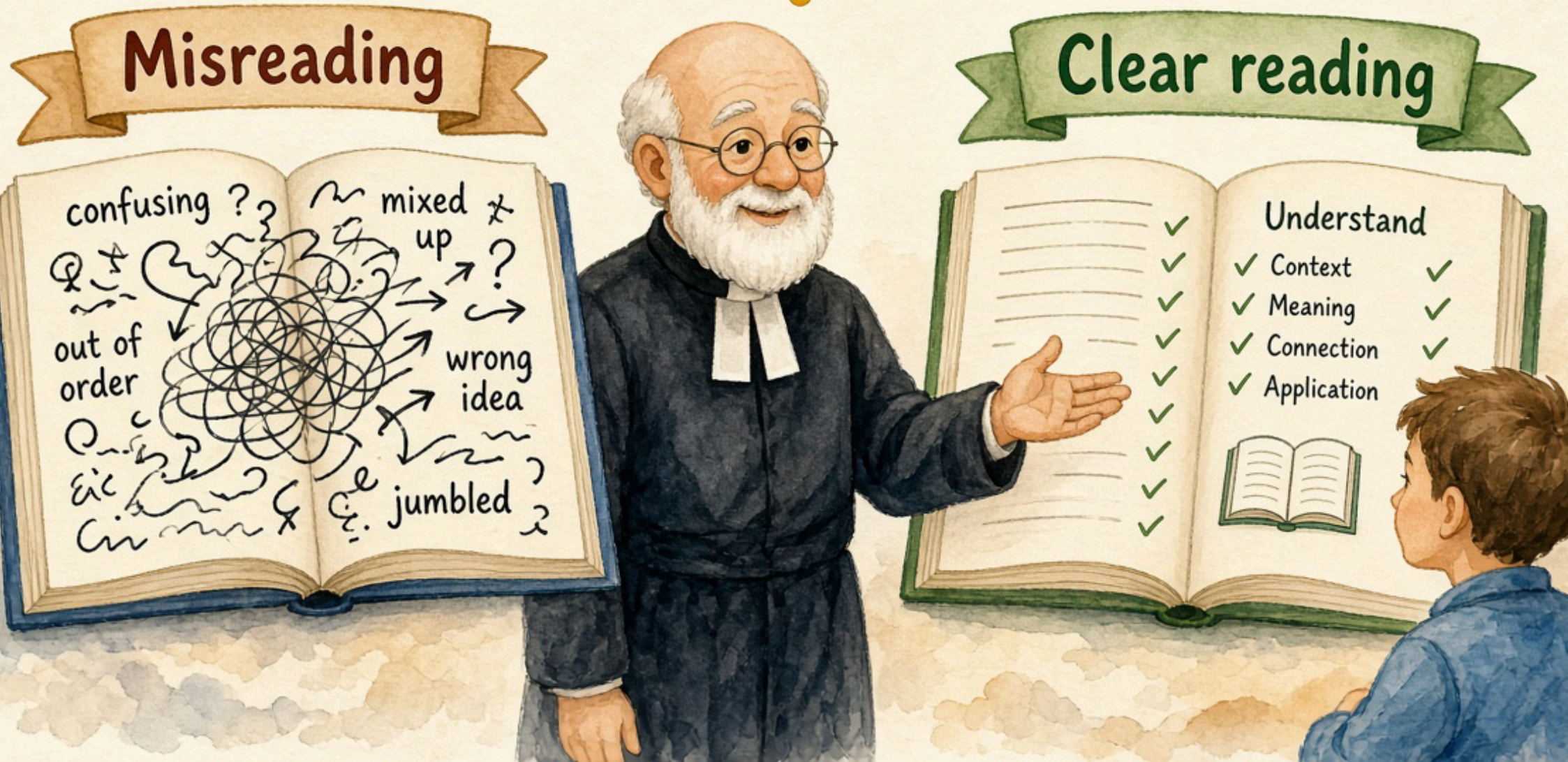

The Point:
To clarify the thought.
a clear thought

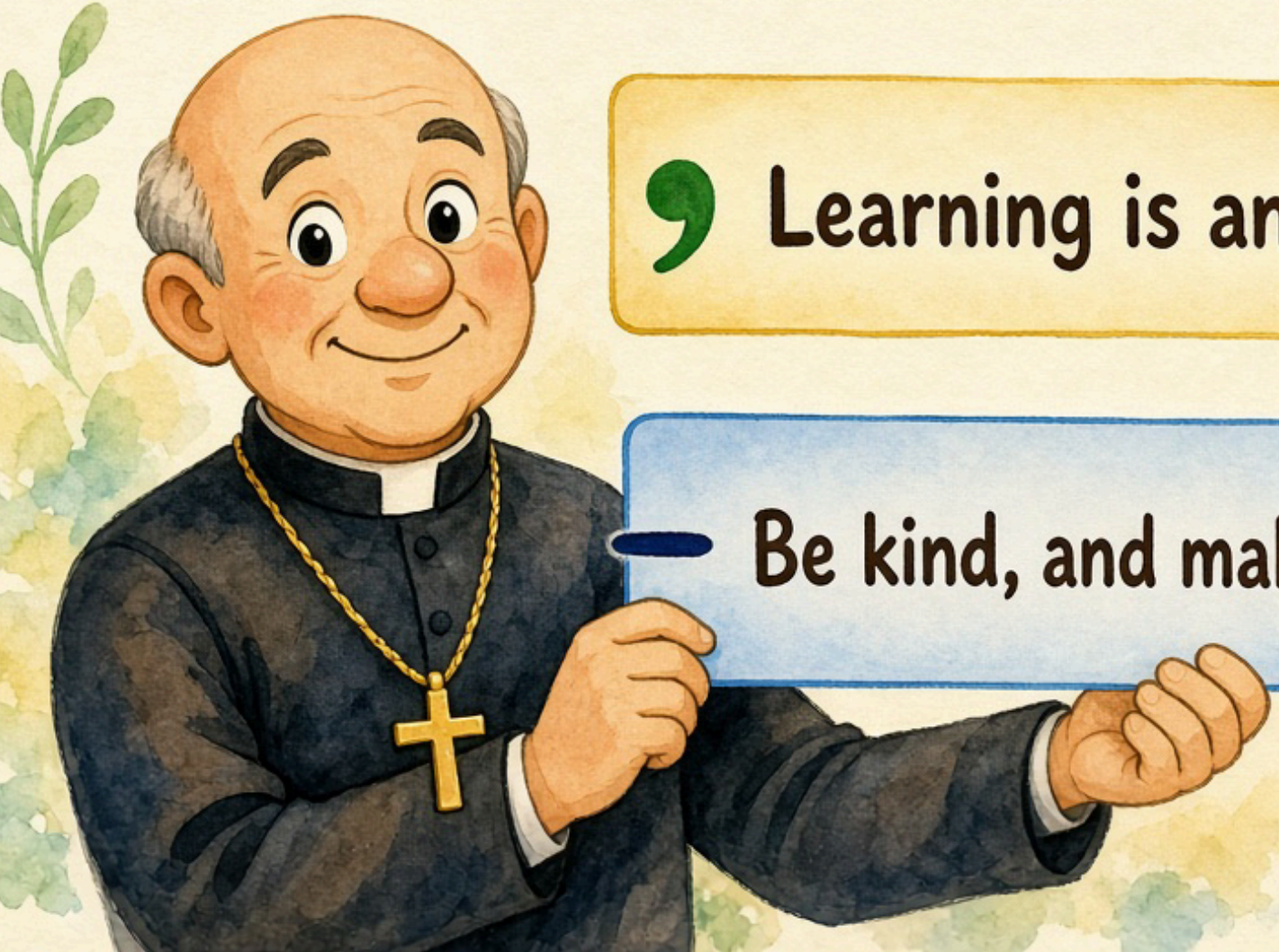
The Purpose:

To aid reading and prevent misreading



Parallel:

start and end with the same comma or dash.



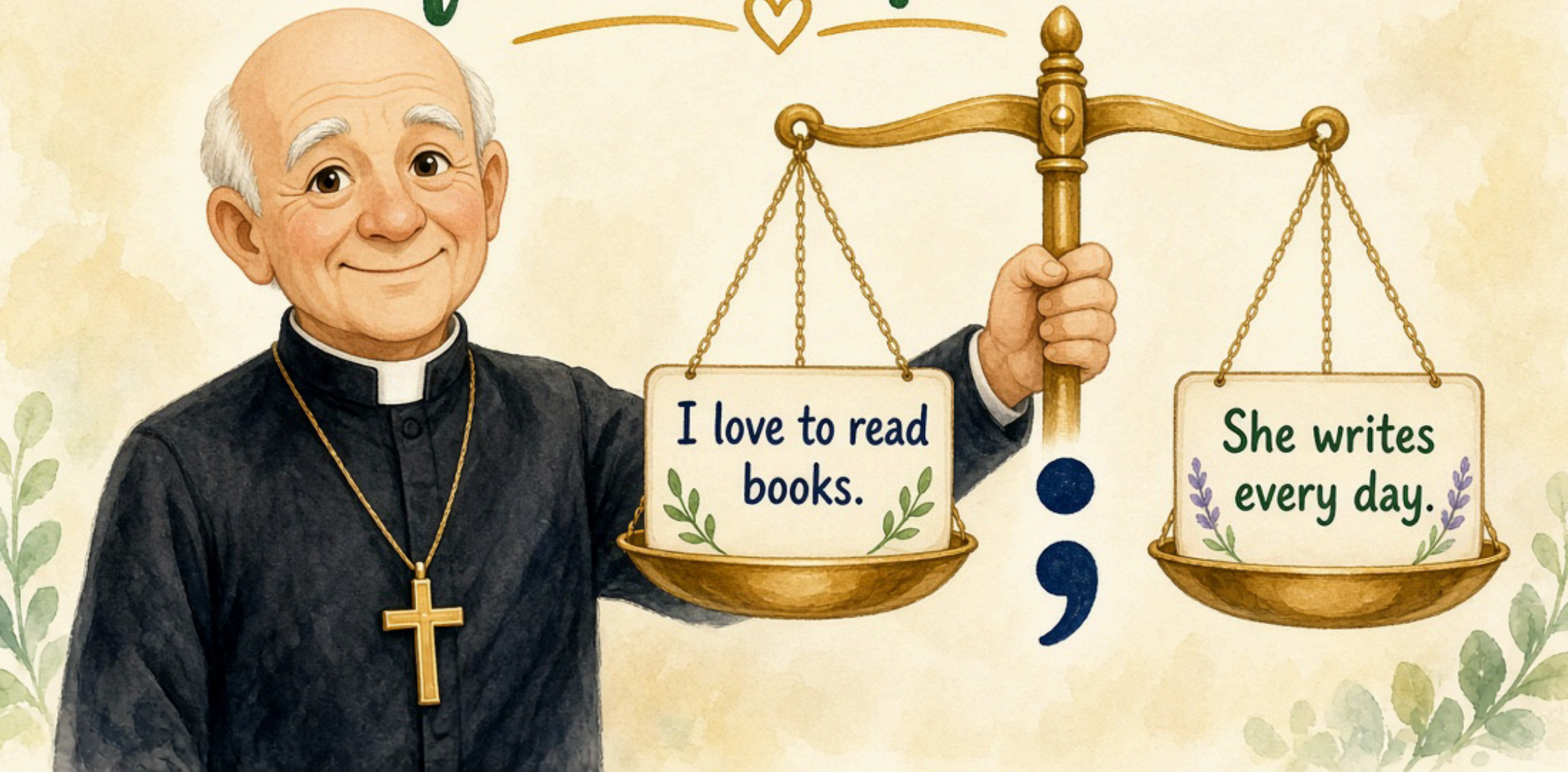
, Learning is an adventure, ,

— Be kind, and make a difference. —

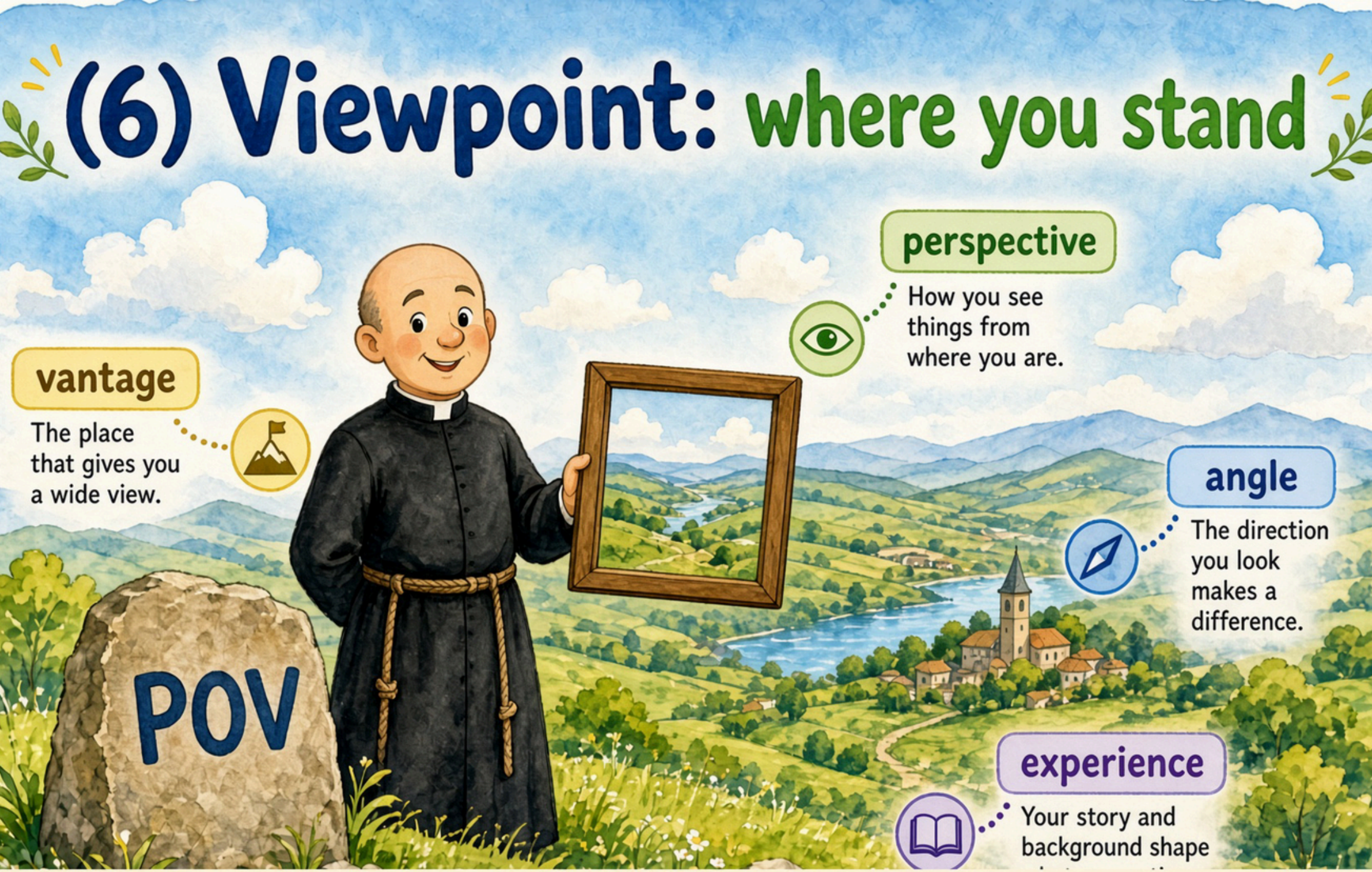
A colon provides a list, a quote, or an explanation.



Semicolon: equal emphasis



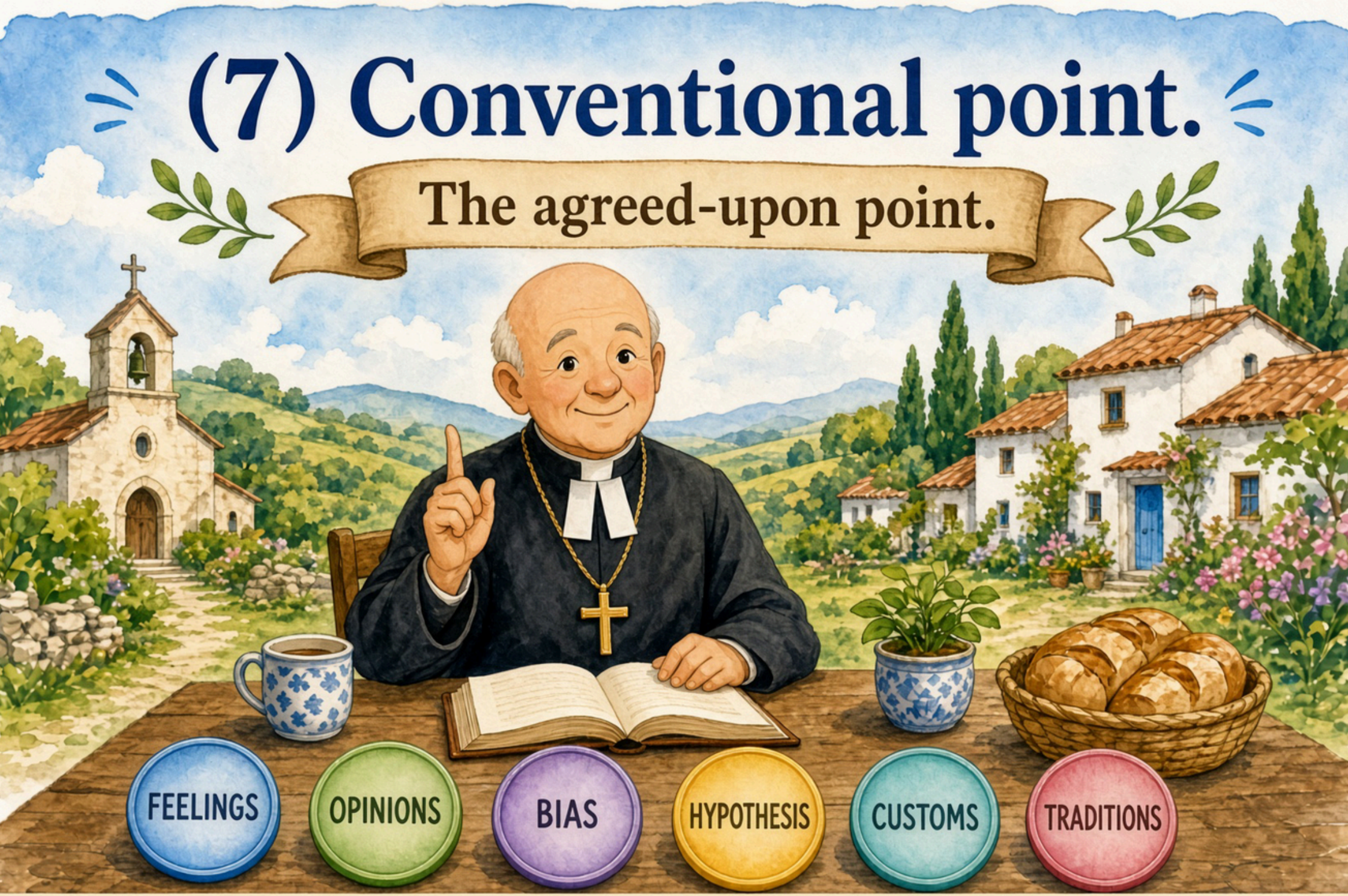
(6) Viewpoint: where you stand



1 Samuel 16:7 — "People look at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart."

(7) Conventional point.

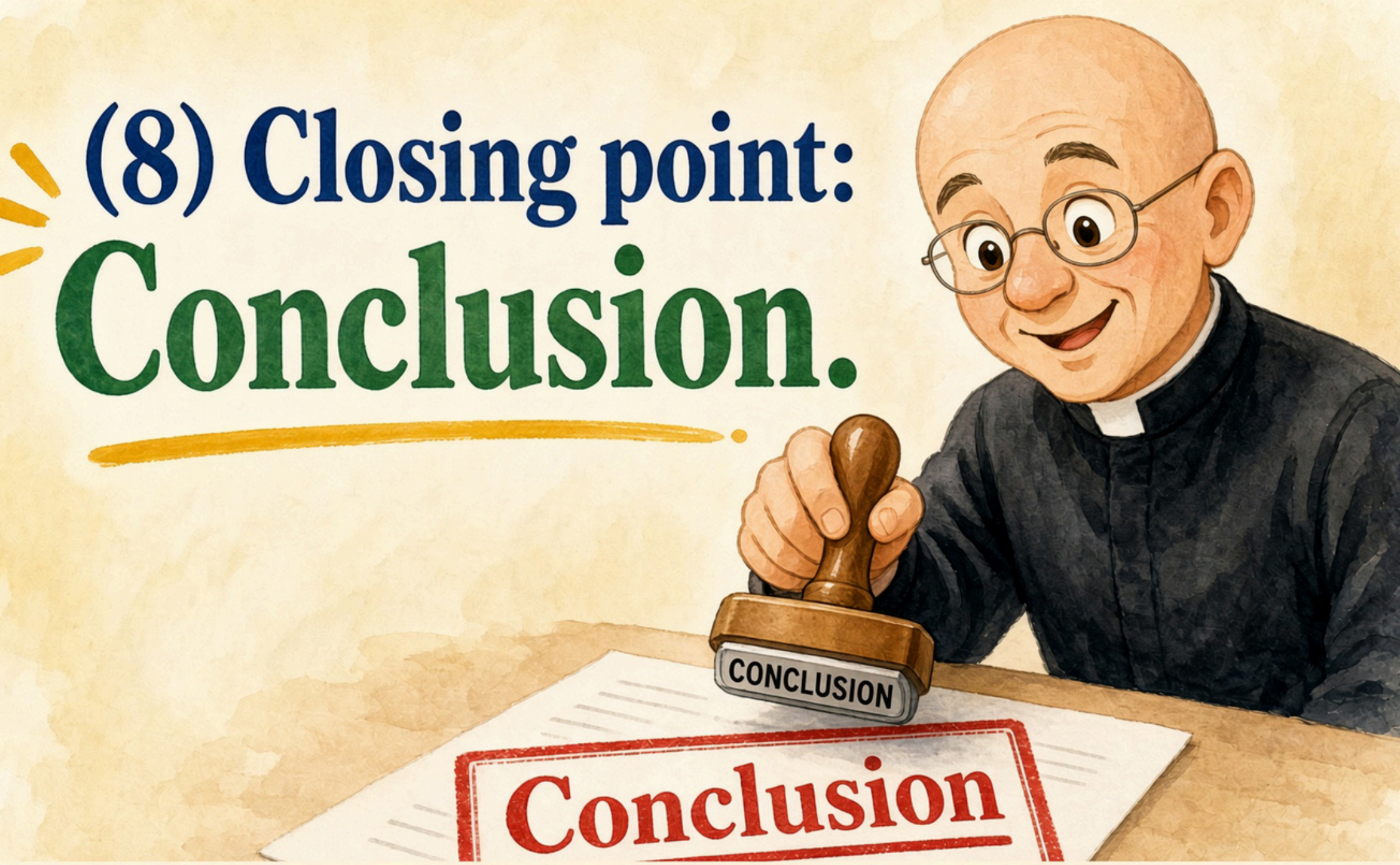
The agreed-upon point.



Romans 12:2 — “Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind.”

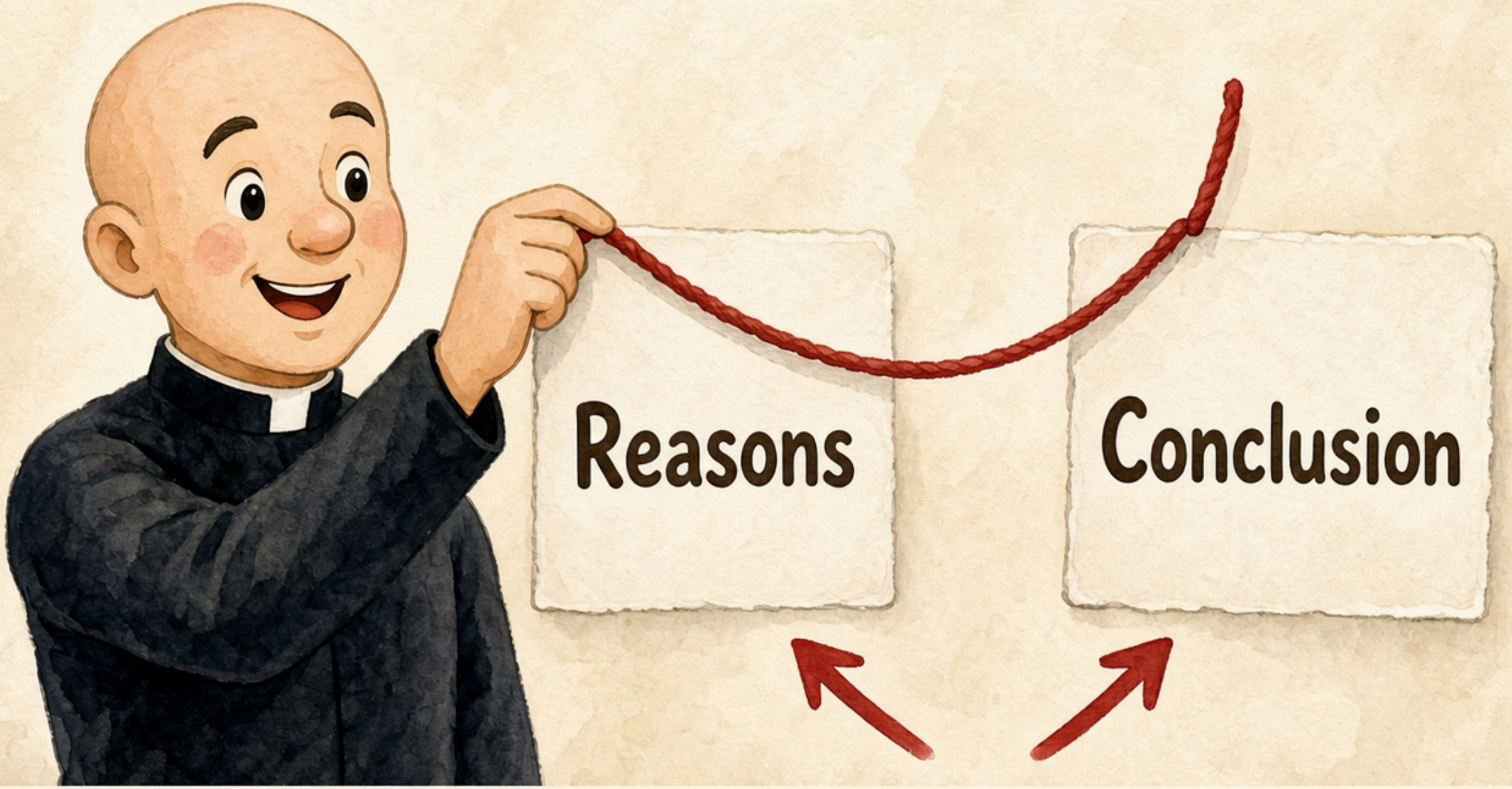
(8) Closing point:

Conclusion.



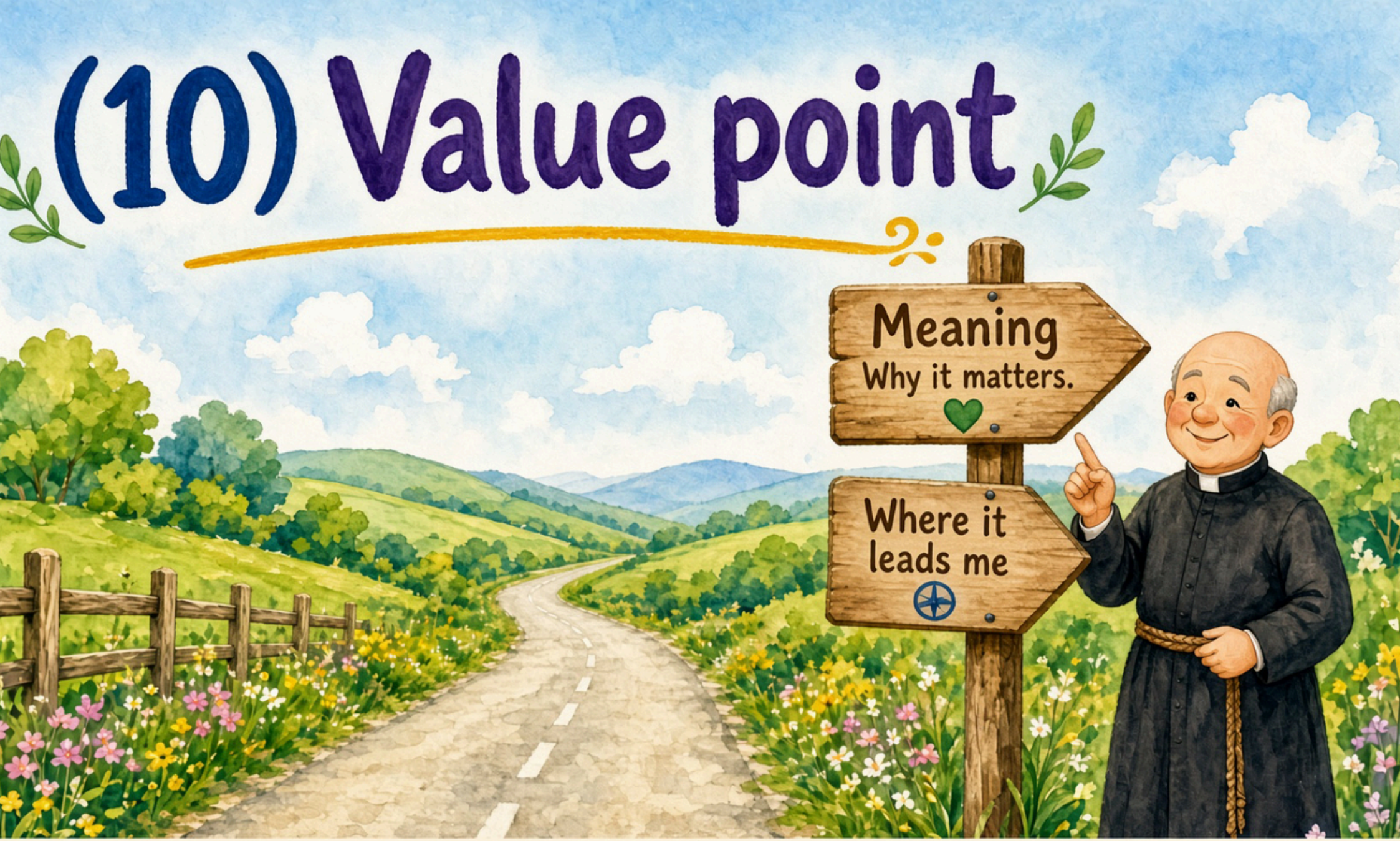
Ecclesiastes 12:13 — “Here is the conclusion of the matter:
Fear God and keep his commandments.”

(9) Connecting point: Reasons



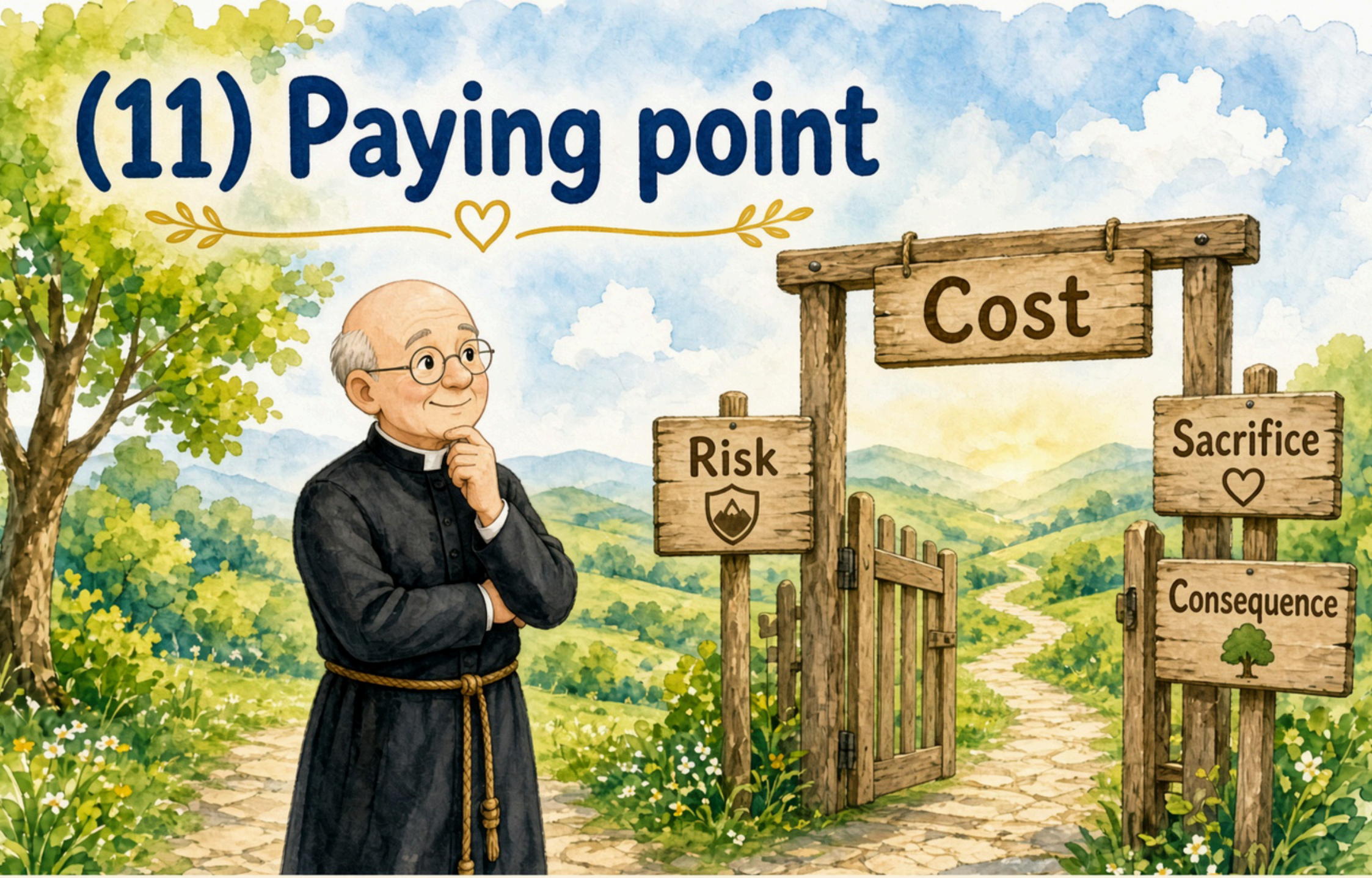
1 Peter 3:15 — “Always be prepared to give the reason for the hope that you have.”

(10) Value point



Proverbs 4:26 — “Give careful thought to the paths for your feet and be steadfast in all your ways.”

(11) Paying point



Luke 14:28 — “Won’t you first sit down and estimate the cost?”

(12) Hoping point.



John 15:16 — “I chose you to go and bear fruit—fruit that will last.”



Do you have something to say?

— Or —

do you have to say something?

What is your point?

Place it in faith, hope, and trust.

1 Peter 3:15 — “Always be prepared to give the reason for the hope that you have.”

What kind of punctuation point are you?



A spark that begins,
a hush that concludes, a seed that hopes.

Lay it down in faith, in hope, and in trust.

Matthew 5:16 — “Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good works.”