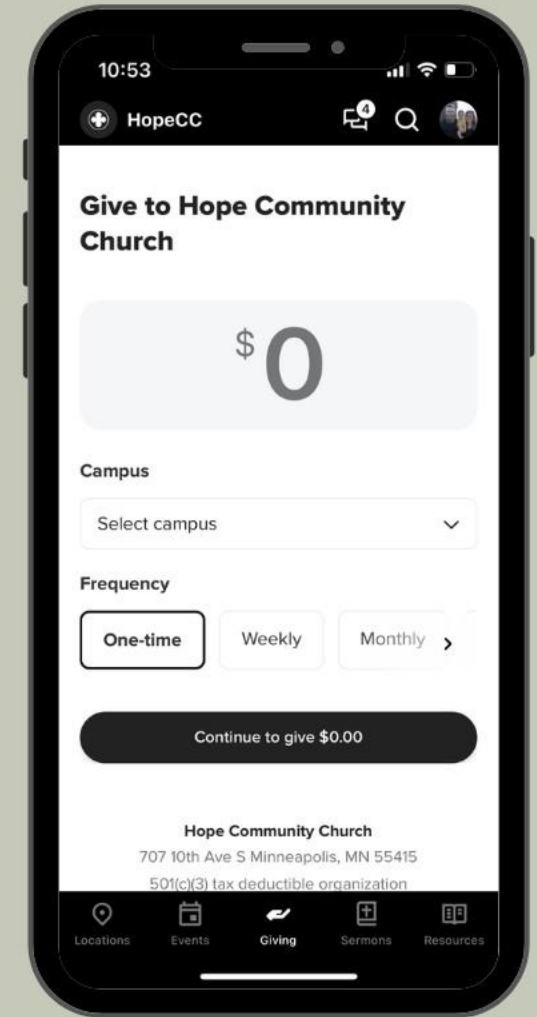




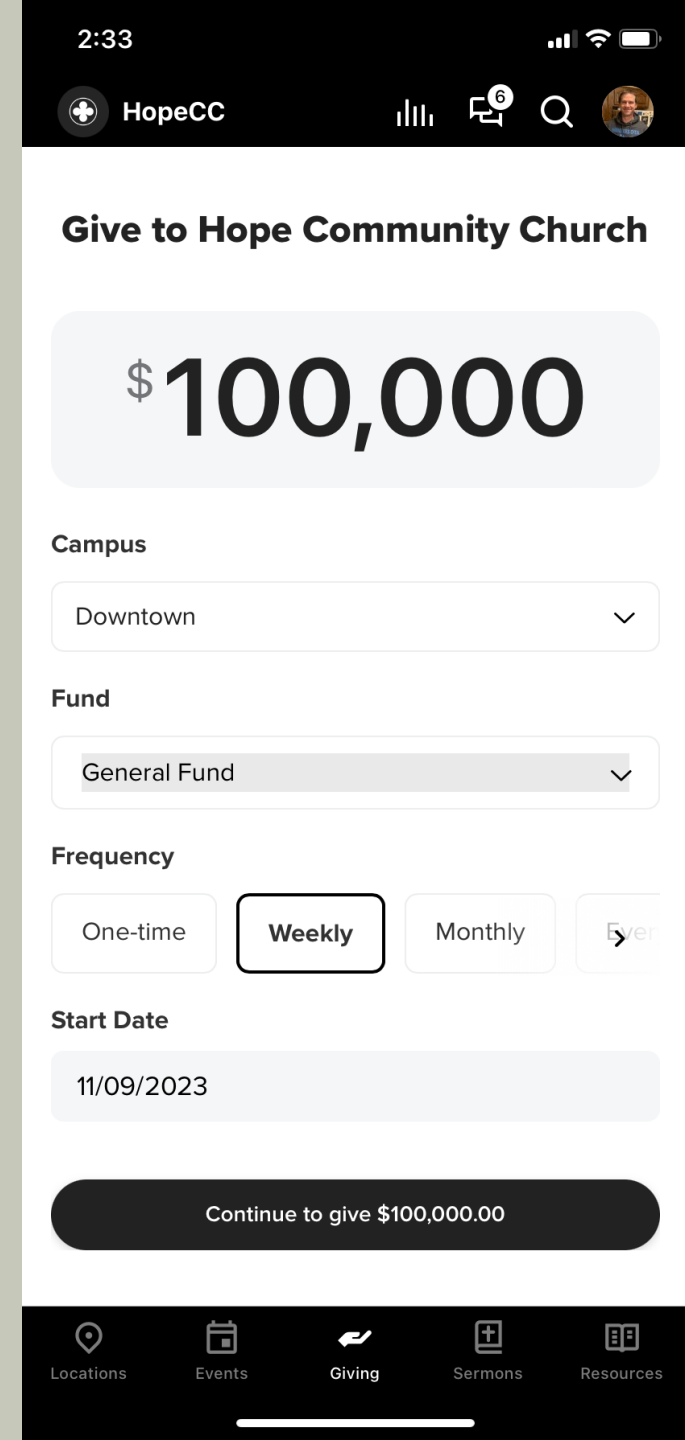
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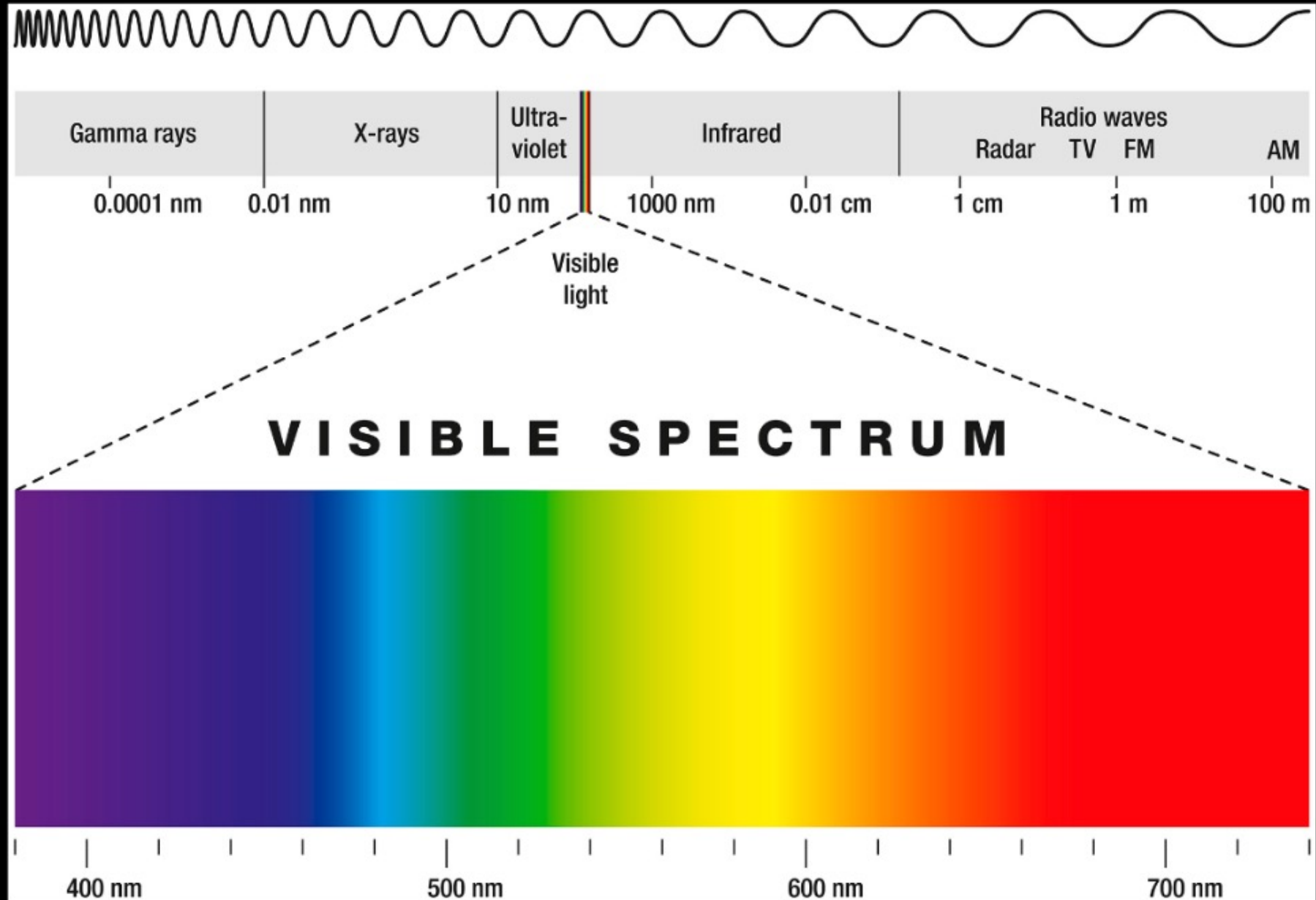




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# Any Electromagnetic Spectrum fans?





Morpheus: I imagine that right now you're feeling a bit like Alice, tumbling down the rabbit hole? Hm?

Neo: You could say that.

Morpheus: I can see it in your eyes. You have the look of a man who accepts what he sees because he is expecting to wake up. Ironically, this is not far from the truth. Do you believe in fate, Neo?

Neo: No.

Morpheus: Why not?

Neo: Because I don't like the idea that I'm not in control of my life.

Morpheus: Do you want to know what it is? The Matrix is everywhere...It is the world that has been pulled over your eyes to blind you from the truth.

Neo: What truth?

Morpheus: That you are a slave, Neo. Like everyone else you were born into bondage, born into a prison that you cannot smell or taste or touch. A prison for your mind....After this there is no turning back. You take the blue pill, the story ends, you wake up in your bed and believe whatever you want to believe. You take the red pill, you stay in Wonderland, and I show you how deep the rabbit hole goes...

# Romans



HOW DO WE  
LIVE THEN?

CHAPTERS 4-8

## Romans 8:1-4

<sup>1</sup>There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. <sup>2</sup>For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. <sup>3</sup>For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, <sup>4</sup>in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.



A large crowd of people is gathered at night, likely at a concert or festival. The scene is illuminated by vibrant stage lights in shades of blue, purple, and red. In the foreground, a person is seen from behind, wearing a blue jacket and dark pants, looking towards the crowd. The crowd consists of many people of various ages and ethnicities, some with their arms raised. The overall atmosphere is energetic and festive.

Romans 8:1-4

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Fleming Rutledge, *The Crucifixion: Understanding  
the Death of Jesus Christ*, p. 553



## Not Today, Satan

He brings up your past...

bring up his future



NOT TODAY SATAN

## Romans 8:5–11

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**What is “are according to the flesh/Spirit”?**

**Flesh**

**Spirit**

# What is “are according to the flesh/Spirit”?

## Flesh

Not according to the Spirit

Can sin

Faith in Self – your reality &  
“salvation”

No redemption plan –  
just death

Marked by corruption,  
fallenness, sin’s dominance

Conceal & Deny Christ

Not a Believer

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Not according to the Flesh

Can sin

Faith in God – his reality &  
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Redemption plan enacted –  
life and righteousness

Marked by purity,  
righteousness, and liberation

Reveal & Glorify Christ

Believer

# Two Realms – Positional not Behavioral, really?

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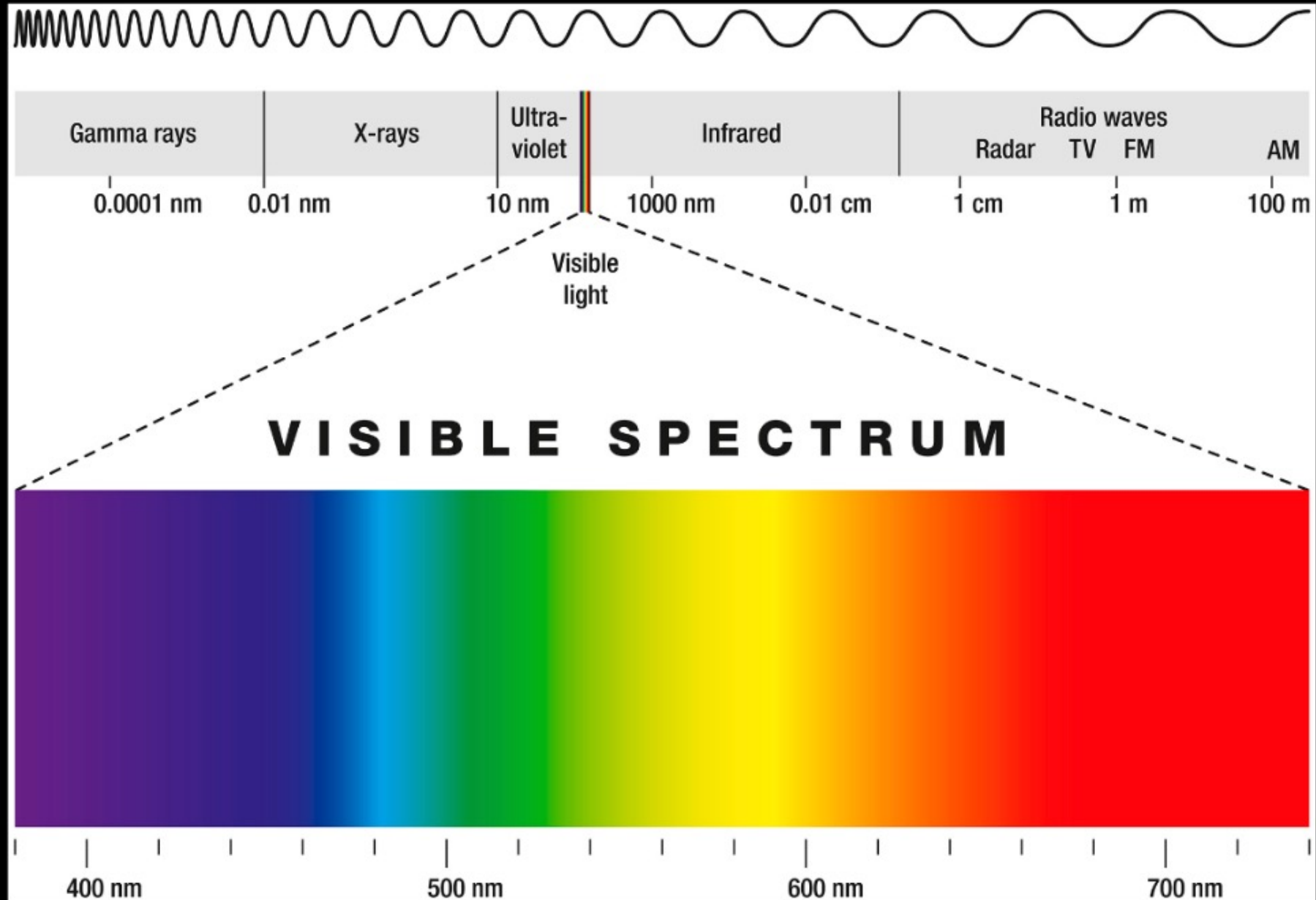
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# Any Electromagnetic Spectrum fans?



**The mind set on the flesh**



## Mark 8:31-33

<sup>31</sup> He then began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and that he must be killed and after three days rise again. <sup>32</sup> He spoke plainly about this, and Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. <sup>33</sup> But when Jesus turned and looked at his disciples, he rebuked Peter. "Get behind me, Satan!" he said. "You do not have in mind the concerns of God, but merely human concerns."

**The mind set on the flesh**



**“There is NO redemption plan for the flesh!”**

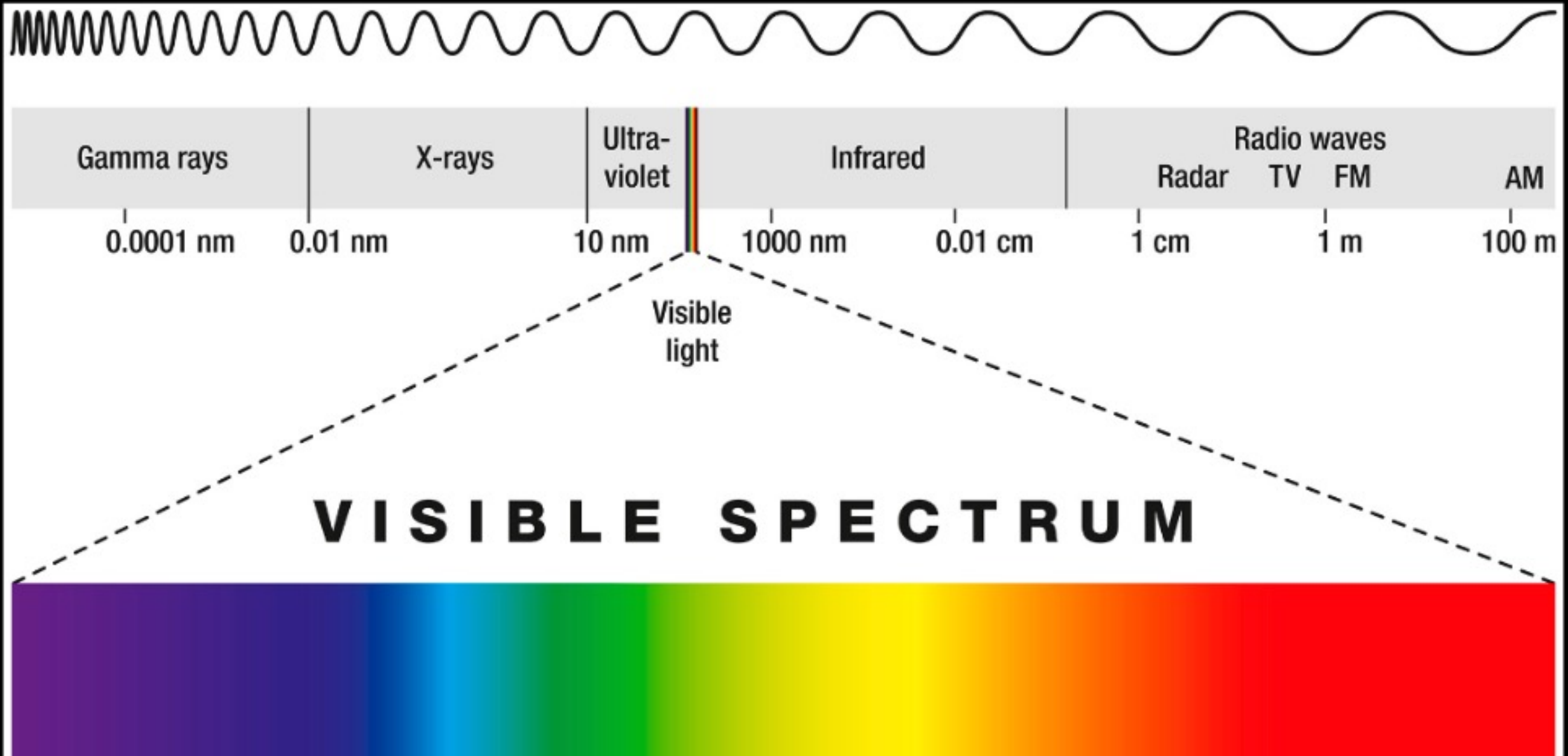
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# The mind set on the Spirit



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Publicly maligned

Deeply wounded

Tempted to malign in  
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Won't submit to God

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I'll never be okay.

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I can trust God with this.

I'm okay...in Jesus.

## 2 Corinthians 4:17-18

<sup>17</sup> For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all. <sup>18</sup> So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.

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## Romans 8:9-11

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**Do you surrender control of your life  
to the Holy Spirit?**





**COMMUNION**



**WORSHIP**



**PRAYER**

