



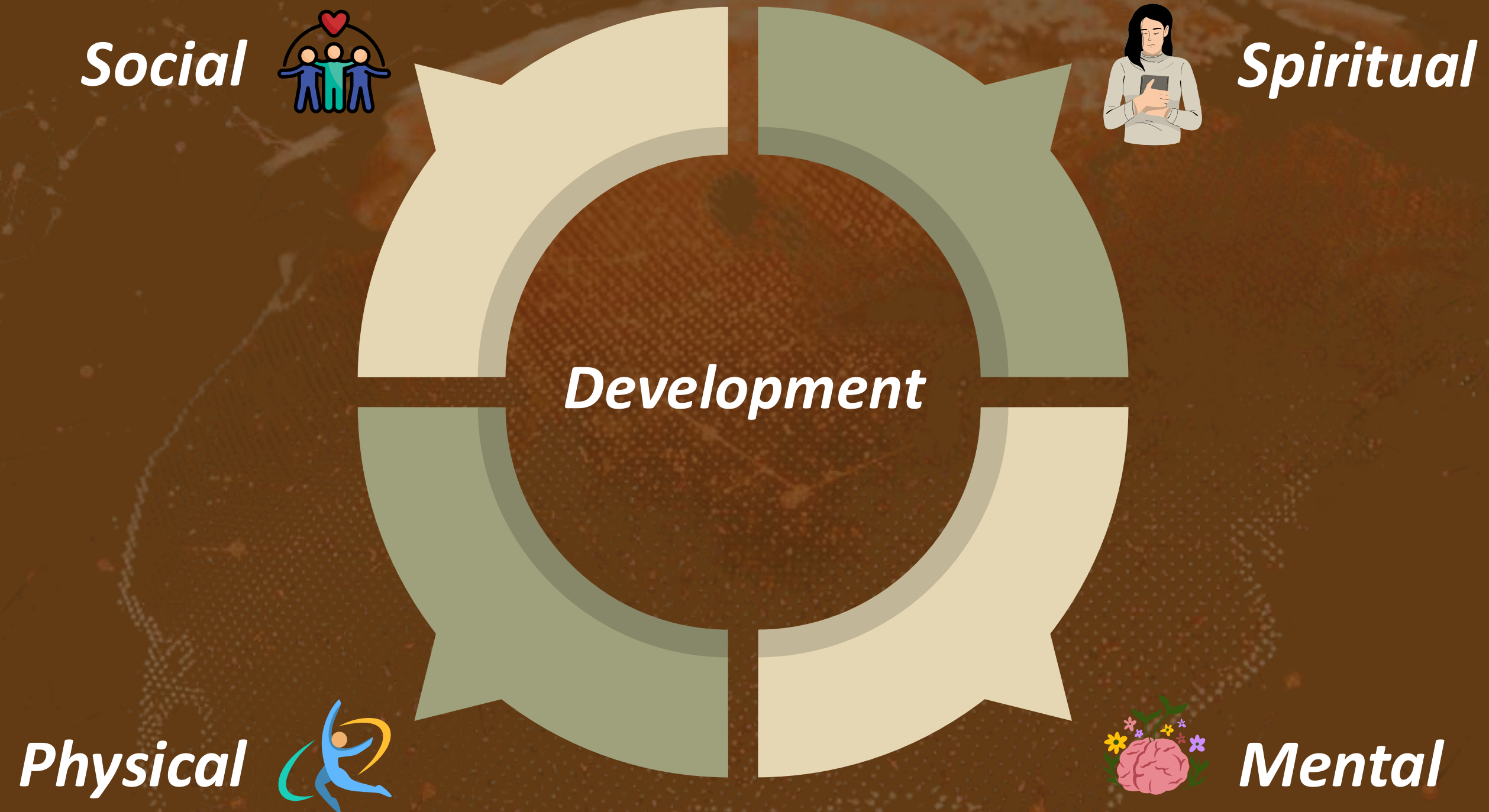
How Educated Are Seventh-day Adventists?

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Role of Adventist Education



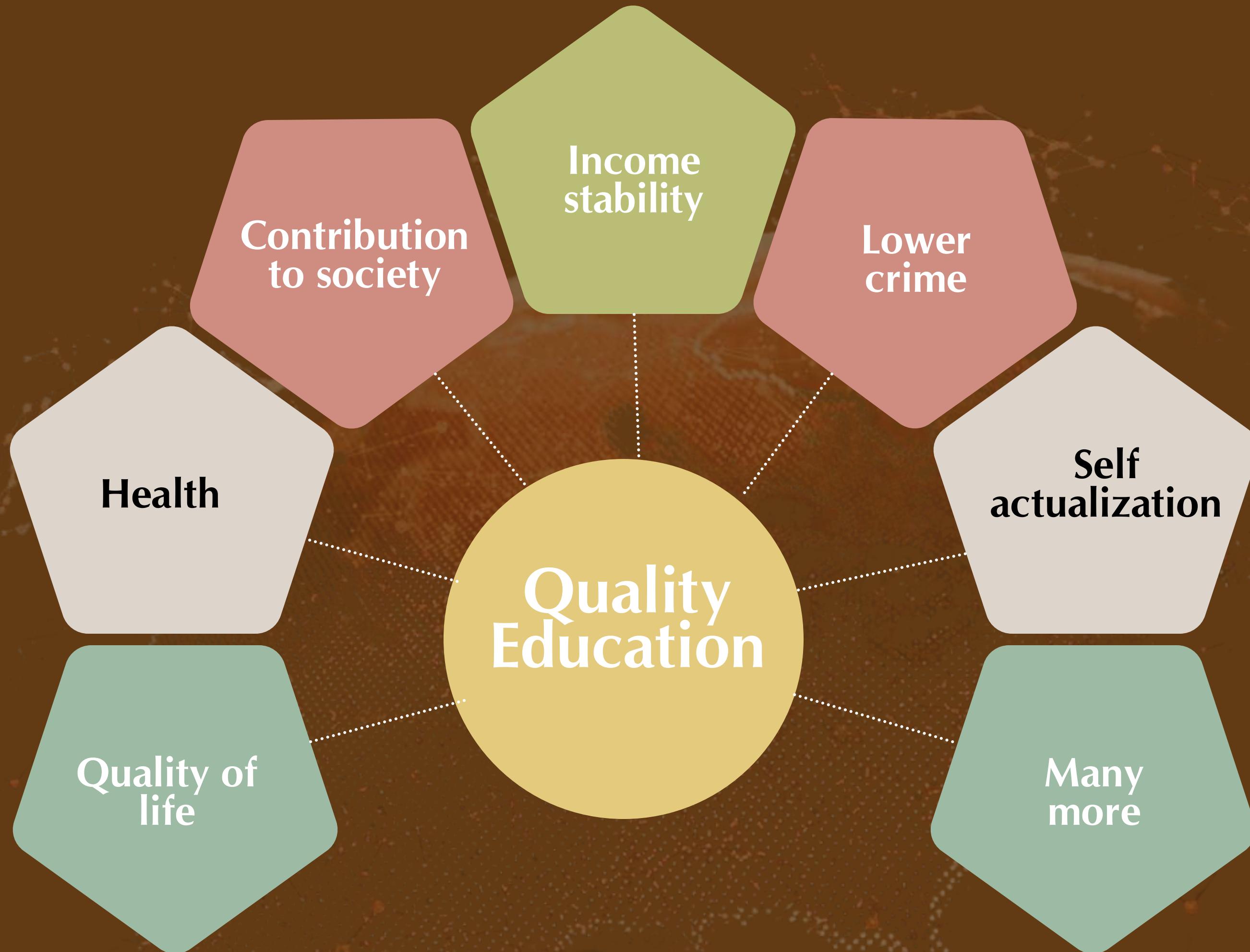


Target Outcomes

**Service in this
World**



**Service in the
World to Come**





In the highest sense, the work of education
and the work of redemption are **ONE**.

(E G W , E d u c a t i o n , 3 0 . 2)

7 Pillars of SDA Education



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*Restoration of God's image
in humans*

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*Whole-person
development*

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God's truth

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*Comprehensive
spiritual framework*

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Nurturing faith

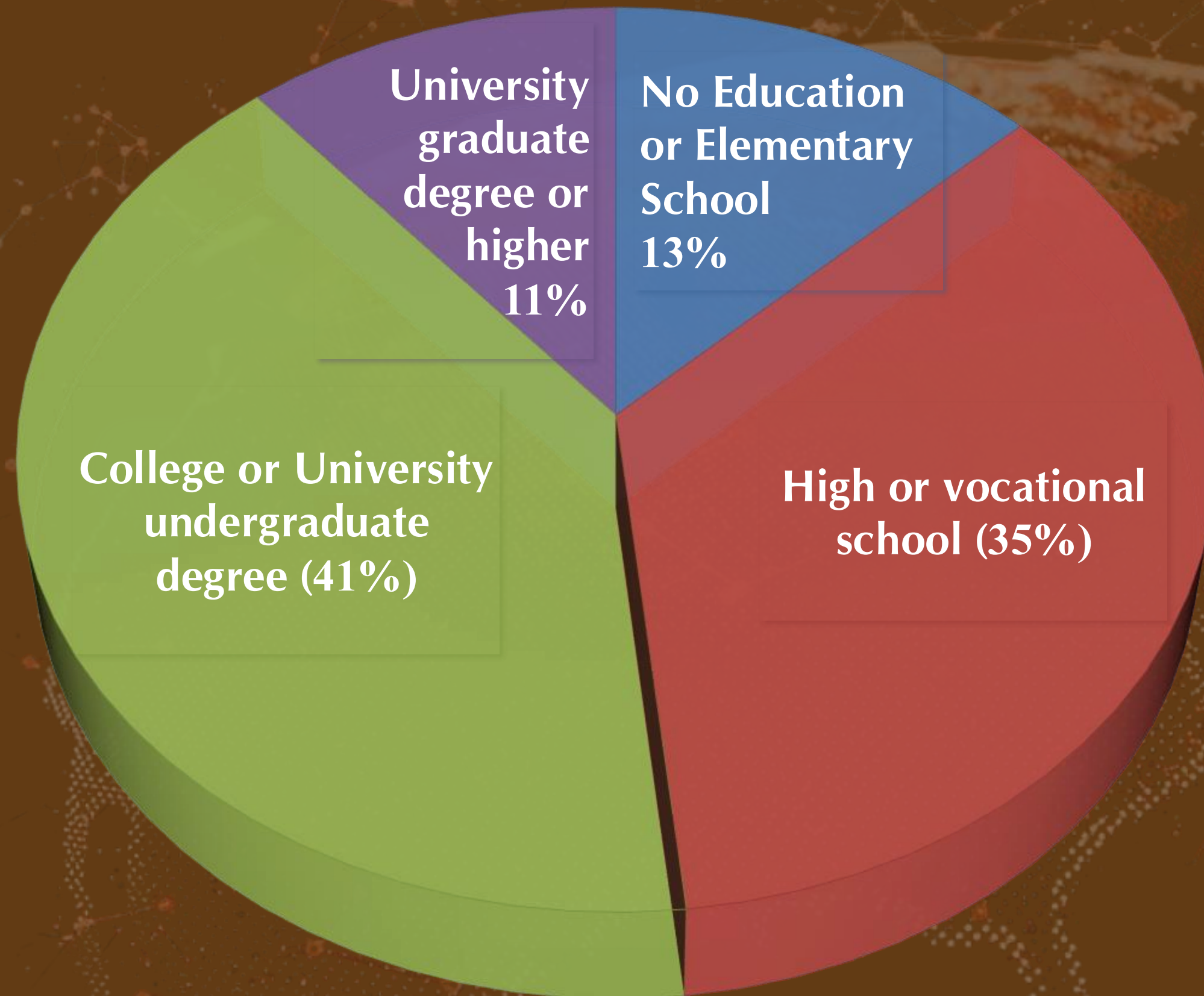
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Spirit-filled teachers

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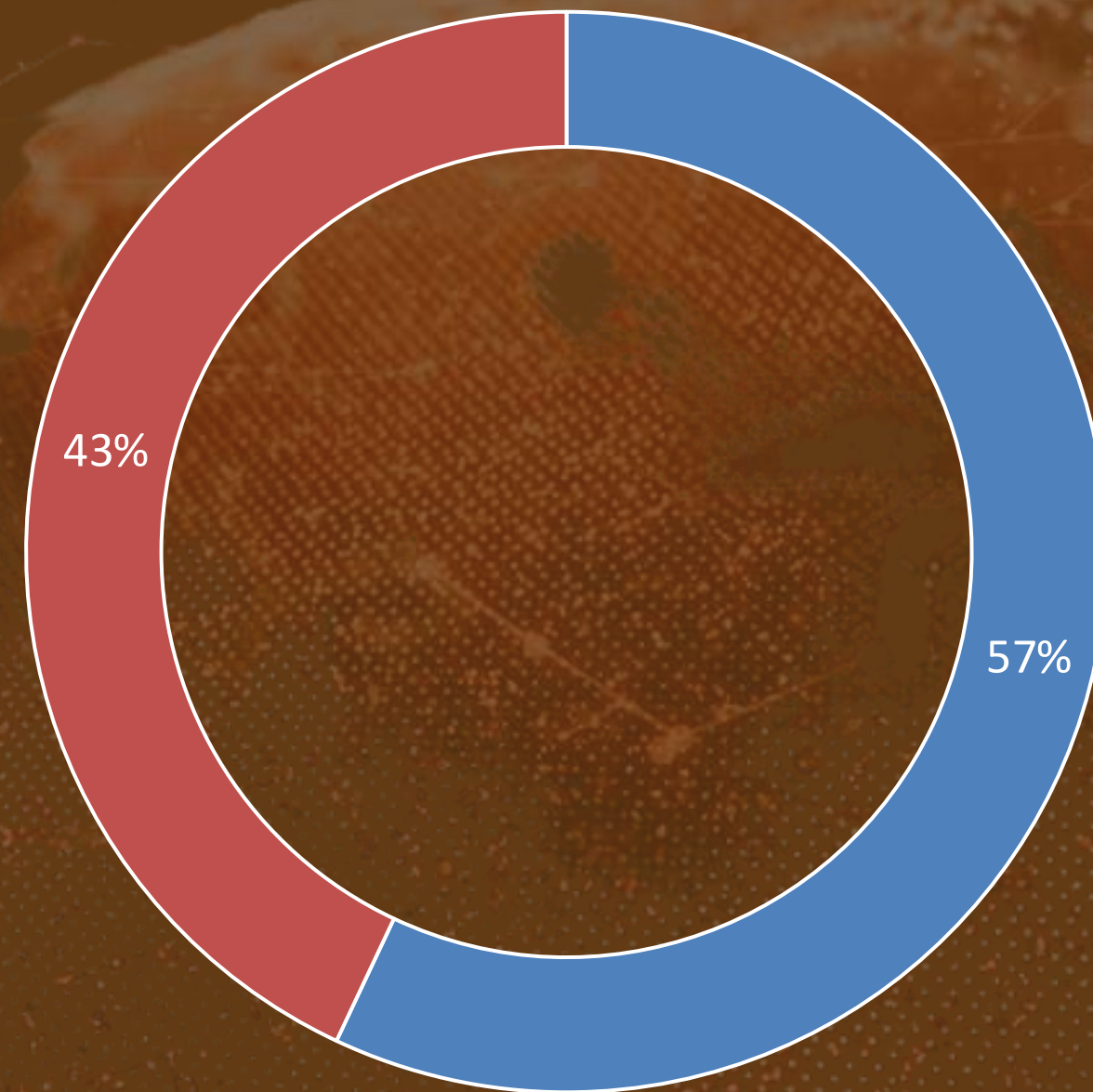
Education for eternity

Level of Education of the SDAs





Attendance at Adventist Schools



■ Did not attend ■ Attended



Lessons from Church Members' Education

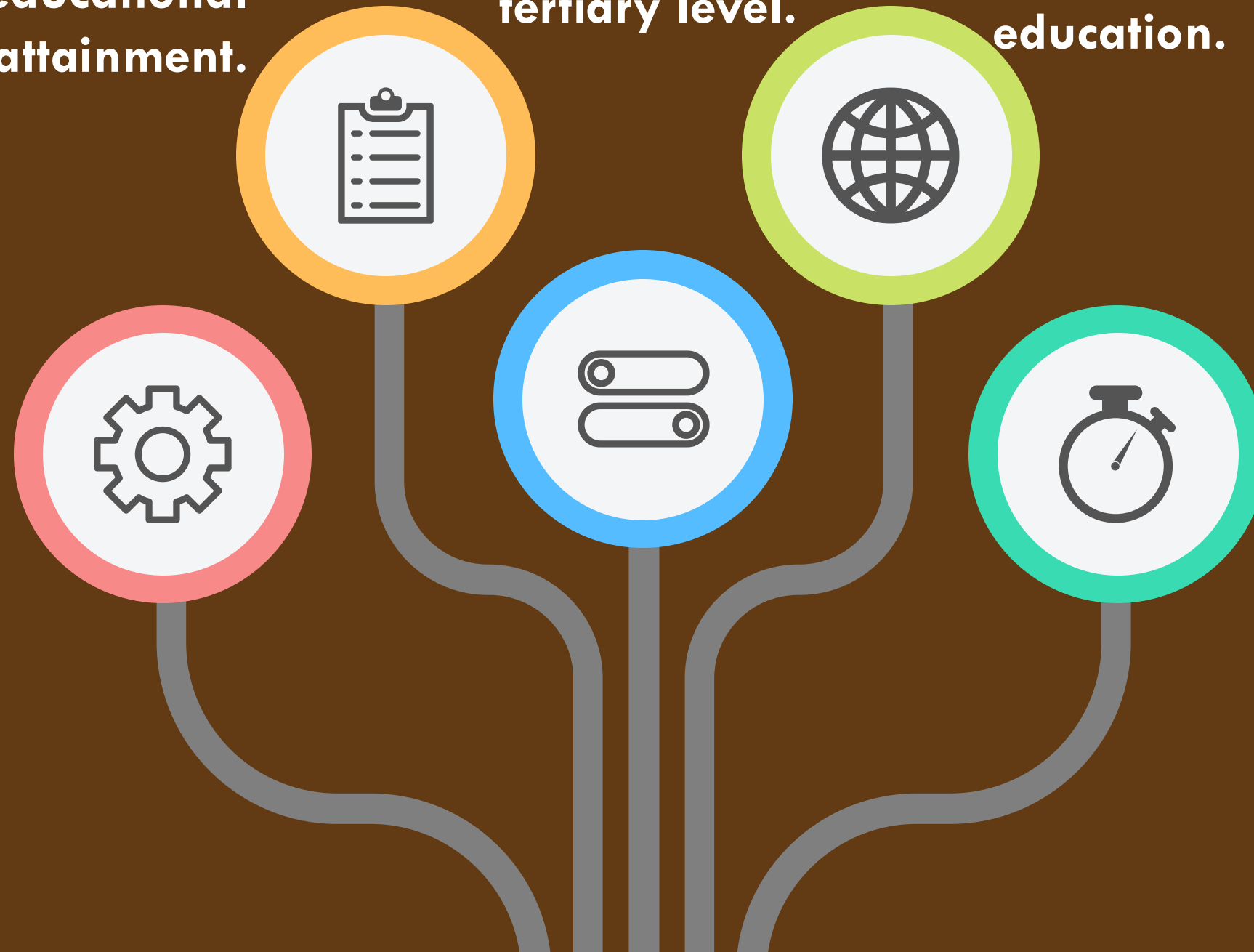
Personal prayer is higher with higher educational attainment.

Exposure to the Adventist Health Message has a positive impact when it is at the tertiary level.

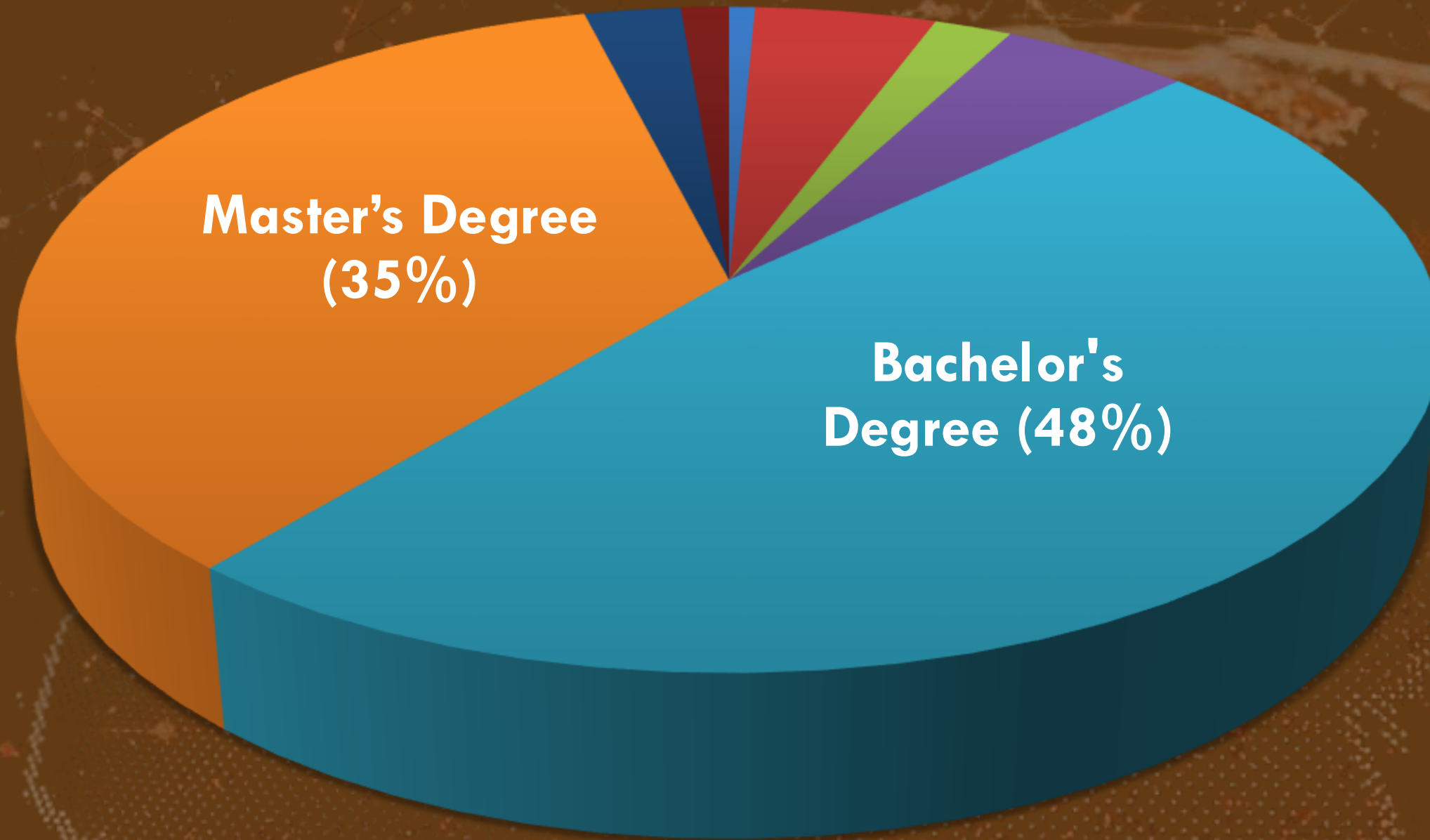
Stronger devotional life leads to more support to Adventist education.

Longer stay in Adventist schools leads to longer stay in the Church.

Reading Adventist literature correlates positively with the church members' level of education.



Level of Education of the Adventist Pastors



■ Primary School (.7%)

■ Trade Certificate/License (2.1%)

■ Bachelor's Degree

■ DMin/Dmiss (2.6%)

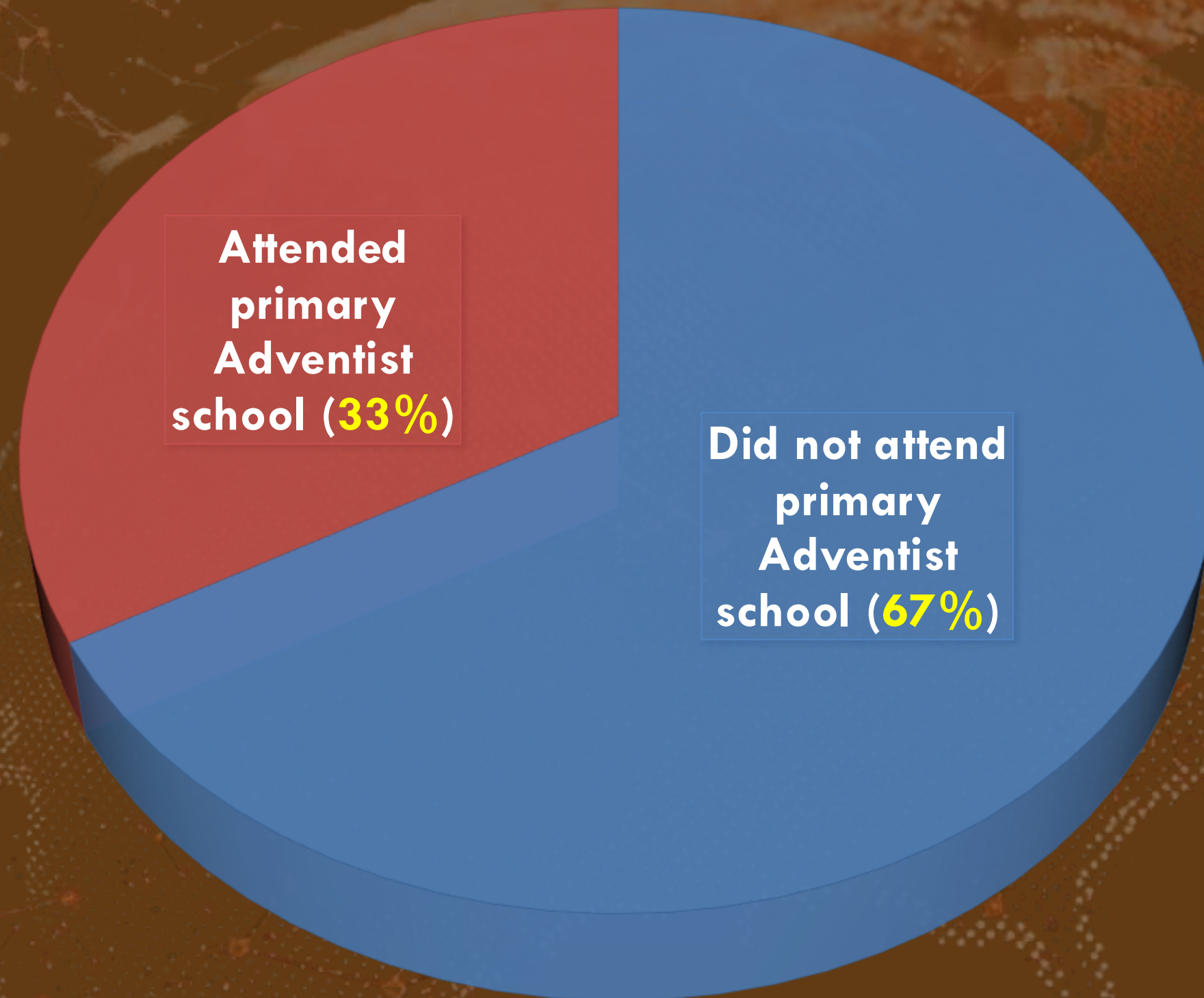
■ High School (4.9%)

■ Associate's Degree (5.1%)

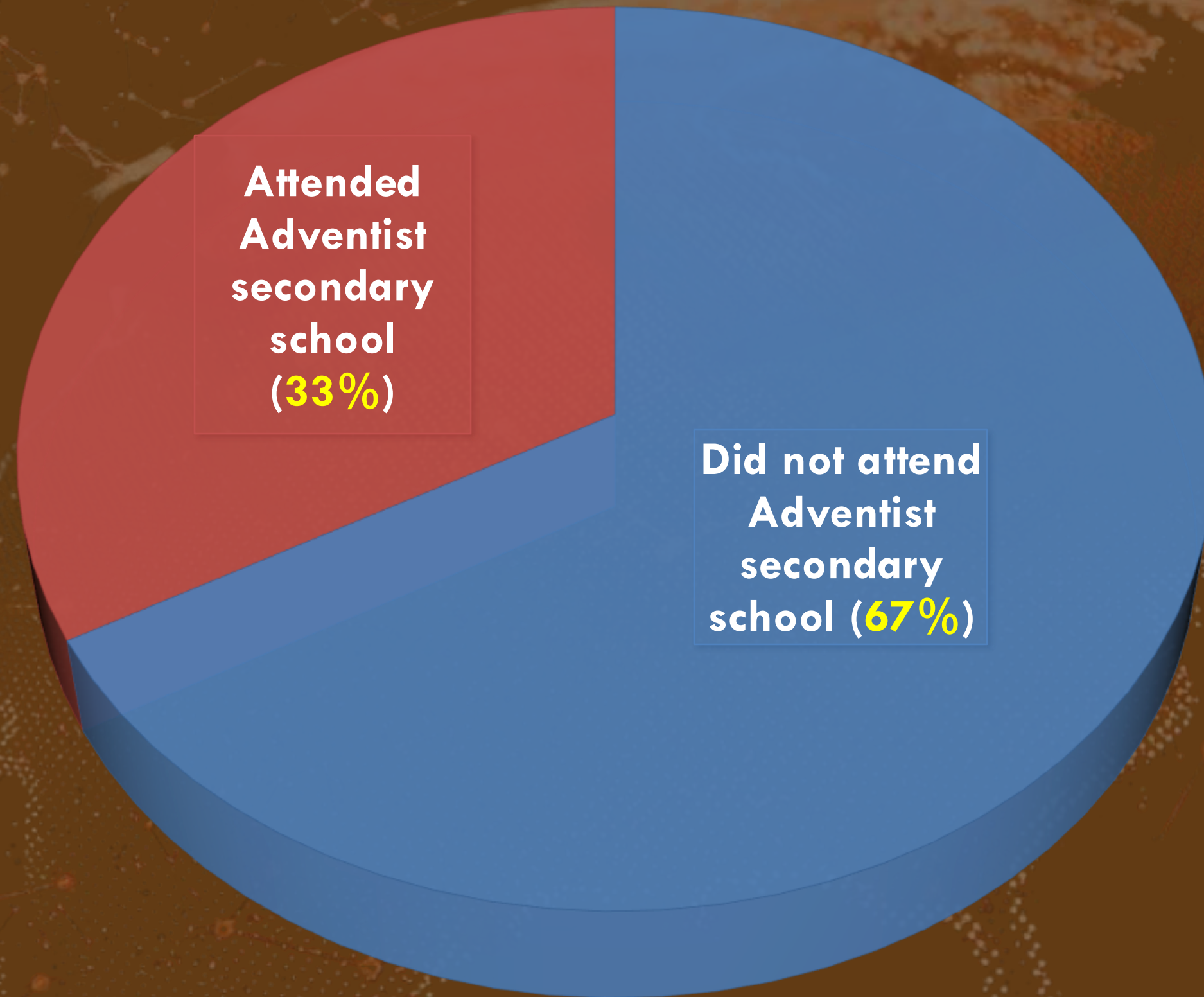
■ Master's Degree

■ PhD/ThD (1.3%)

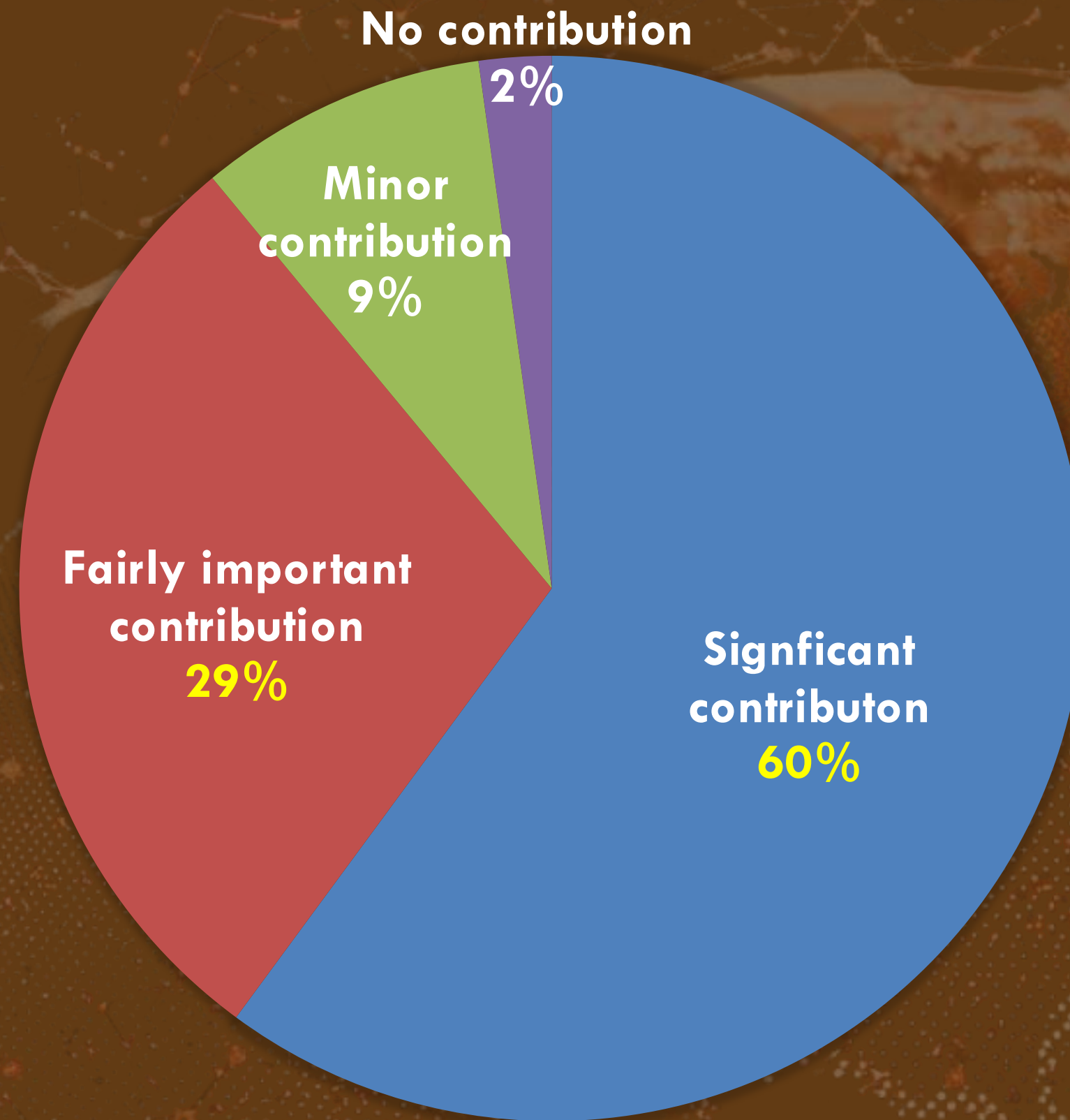
Access to Primary Adventist Education



Access to Secondary Adventist Education



Impact of Adventist Education on Mission





Lessons from Church Pastors' Education



Pastors must be trained in Adventist seminaries.



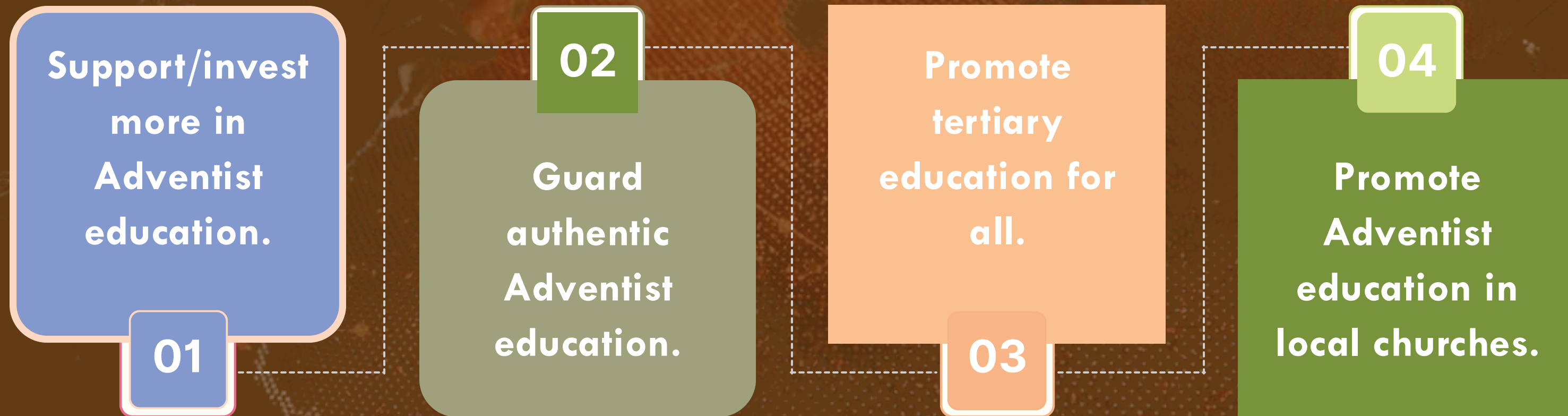
Pastors must have a minimum required Adventist education.



Pastors should fully support Adventist education.



What Does All This Mean?

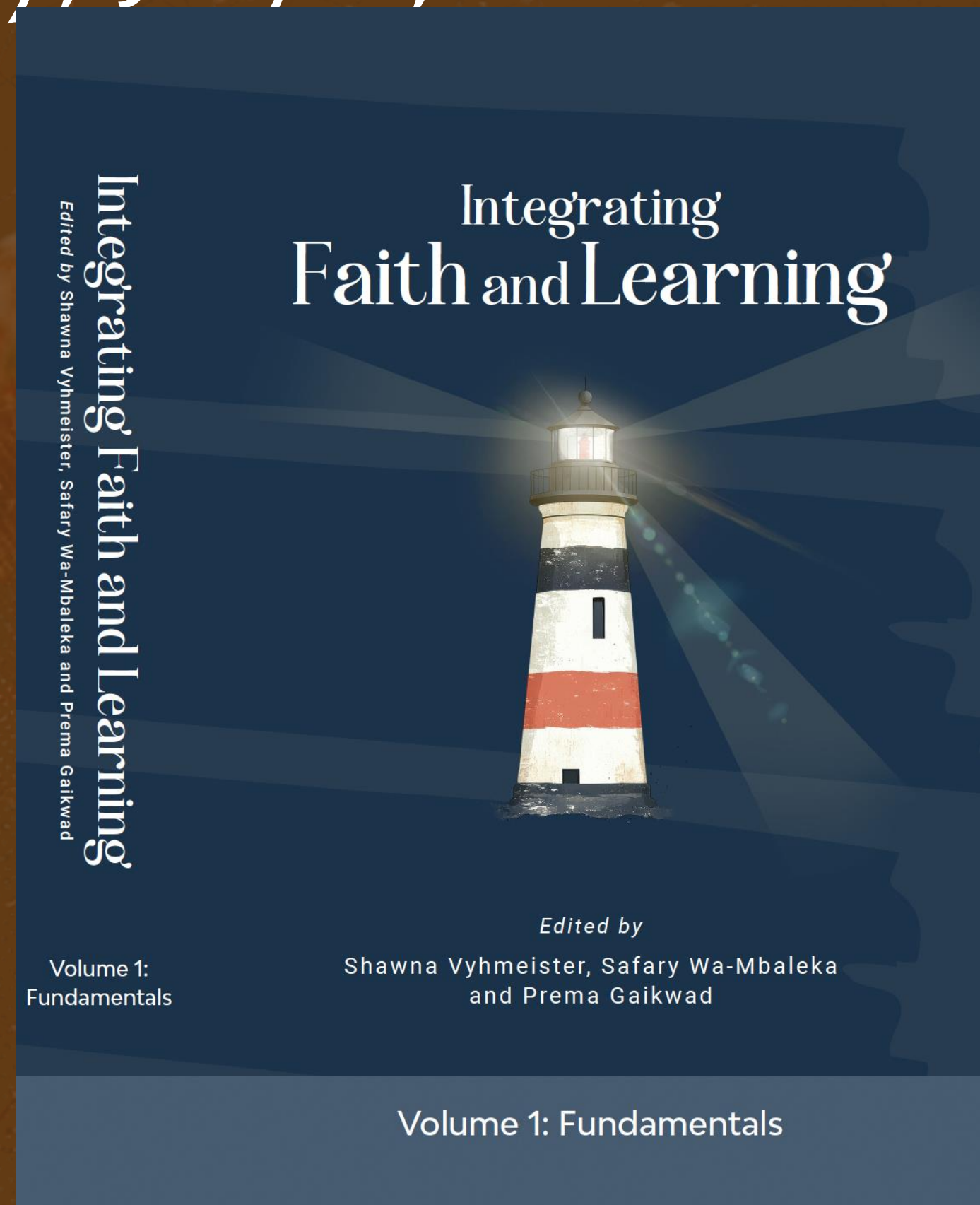




The heart of the discerning acquires
knowledge, for the ears of the wise
seek it out.

Proverbs 18:15

Tuesday, July 8, 12:30-12-55pm





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