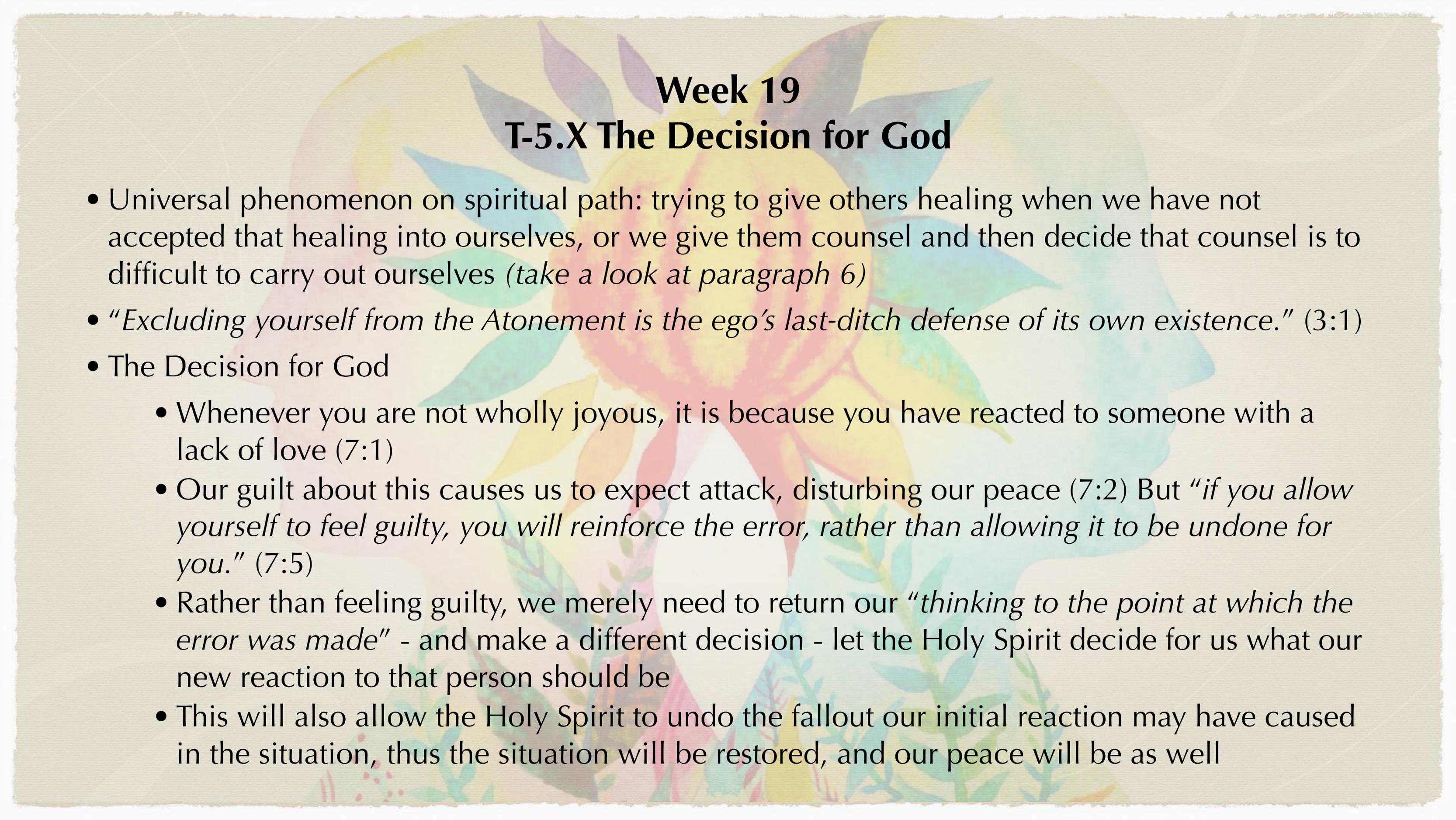


Week 19

T-5.IX The Eternal Fixation

- Freud - Fixated at developmental stage in infancy
- Jesus reinterpretation - I am fixated on my “infancy” in God, my origin in Him. None of us have managed to “complete” this stage and move on, so we are always being pulled back - pulled back to God, a pull we are powerless to resist
- Learning advantages of Freud’s concept of fixation
 1. Release from the belief that your mind is under the the dominance of the power of time (5:2)
 2. Recognition that this eternal fixation is more real to my mind than anything in world (6:2)
 3. This fixation or pull of God is “an irrevocable call to sanity” the mind cannot lose (7:1)
- I am in the same position: *“You were eternally fixated on God in your creation, and the pull of this fixation is so strong that you will never overcome it.” (9:2)*

*“You need merely cast all your cares upon Him, because He careth for you. You **are** His care because He loves you. His Voice reminds you always that all hope is yours because of His care. You cannot choose to escape His care, because that is not His will. But you **can** choose to accept His care, and use the infinite power of His care for all of those He created by it.” (10:5-9)*



Week 19

T-5.X The Decision for God

- Universal phenomenon on spiritual path: trying to give others healing when we have not accepted that healing into ourselves, or we give them counsel and then decide that counsel is too difficult to carry out ourselves (*take a look at paragraph 6*)
- *“Excluding yourself from the Atonement is the ego’s last-ditch defense of its own existence.”* (3:1)
- The Decision for God
 - Whenever you are not wholly joyous, it is because you have reacted to someone with a lack of love (7:1)
 - Our guilt about this causes us to expect attack, disturbing our peace (7:2) But *“if you allow yourself to feel guilty, you will reinforce the error, rather than allowing it to be undone for you.”* (7:5)
 - Rather than feeling guilty, we merely need to return our *“thinking to the point at which the error was made”* - and make a different decision - let the Holy Spirit decide for us what our new reaction to that person should be
 - This will also allow the Holy Spirit to undo the fallout our initial reaction may have caused in the situation, thus the situation will be restored, and our peace will be as well

The Decision for God

I must have decided wrongly,
because I am not at peace.

I made the decision myself,
but I can also decide otherwise.

I will to decide otherwise,
because I want to be at peace.

I do not feel guilty,
because the Holy Spirit will undo all
the consequences of my wrong
decision if I will let Him.

I will to let Him by allowing Him
to decide for God for me.

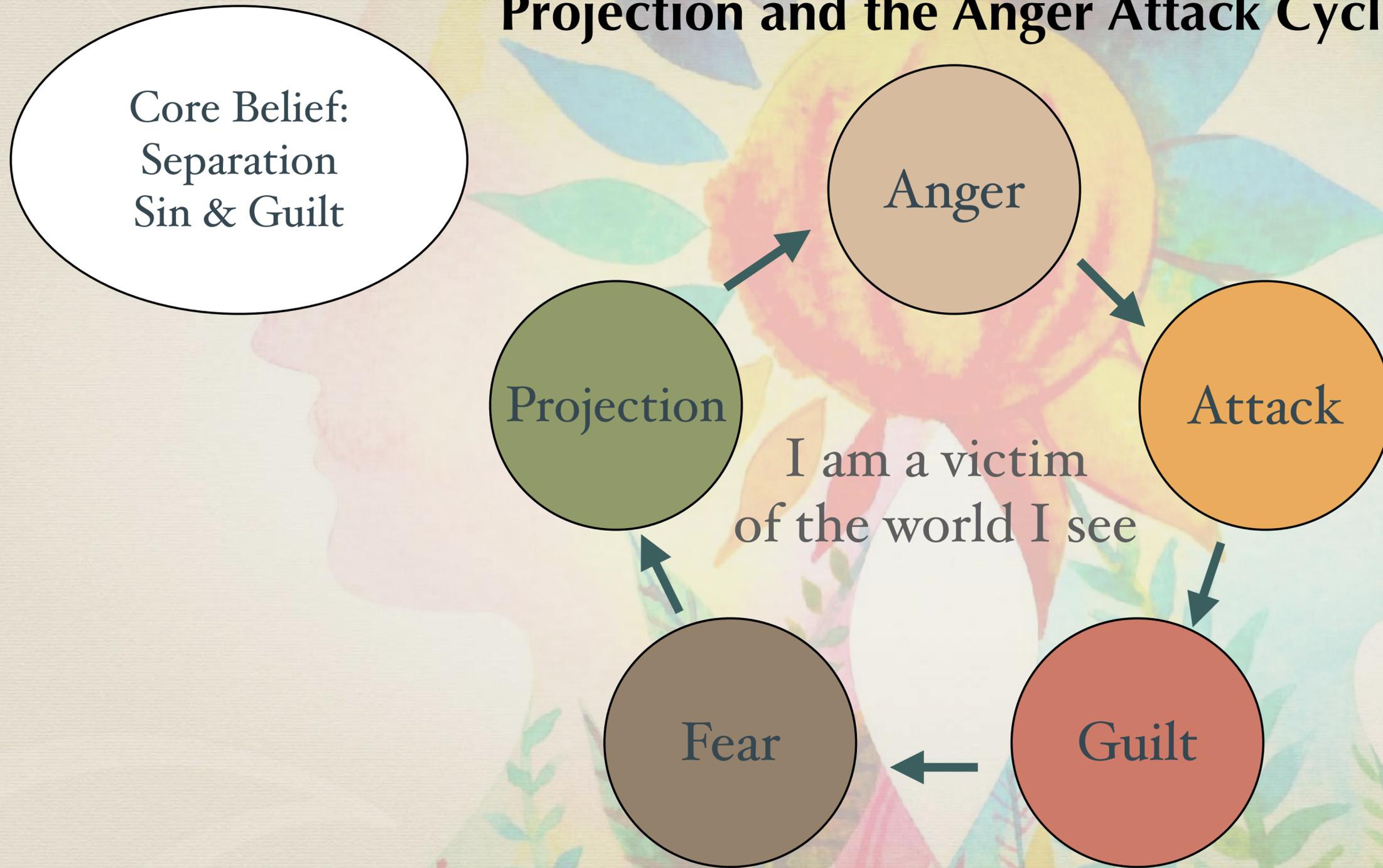
Week 19

T-6.I The Message of the Crucifixion

- Traditional interpretation: Jesus died in order to pay for our sins - a human sacrifice to pay the debt we owed (refer to T-3.III “Atonement without Sacrifice”)
- Jesus’ reinterpretation: a teaching demonstration/device, designed to act out Jesus’ teaching for the sake of our learning
 - This “extreme example” was really to show how Jesus *did not* suffer - how he maintained his calmness and composure in the face of the extreme things done to him
 - This came from his deep understanding of his real identity
 - His real identity was invulnerable
 - The body that can be harmed and killed was not real, not who he was in truth
 - By experiencing himself as unharmed, he could send the message to his attackers that they had done nothing real to him
 - A message of their innocence
 - A message of mercy and love: *Teach only love, for that is what you are* (20:2)
 - And to show that this could be done, even under the most extreme circumstances
- This is the example we are meant to follow

Week 19

Projection and the Anger Attack Cycle



Suggestion: Read "projection" in
the Glossary of Terms

Week 19 Forgiveness Cycle

Core Belief:
Truth of Oneness



Suggestion: Read "forgiveness" in
the Glossary of Terms