

**<sup>13</sup>When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say the Son of Man is?”**

**<sup>14</sup>They replied, “Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, Jeremiah or one of the prophets.”**

**<sup>15</sup>“But what about you?” he asked. “Who do you say I am?”**

**<sup>16</sup>Simon Peter answered, “You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.” <sup>17</sup>Jesus replied, “Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for this was not revealed to you by flesh and blood, but by my Father in heaven.**

**Matthew 16:13-19 (NIV)**

**<sup>18</sup>And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it. <sup>19</sup>I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.”**

**Matthew 16:13-19 (NIV)**

**A REVELATION  
OF WHO HE IS**

# **Revelation: a divine or supernatural disclosure**

**Sometimes it is a word of:**

- comfort and assurance**
- purpose**
- what's valuable**
- truth**
- clarity and confirmation**

**REVELATION  
ANCHORS IDENTITY**

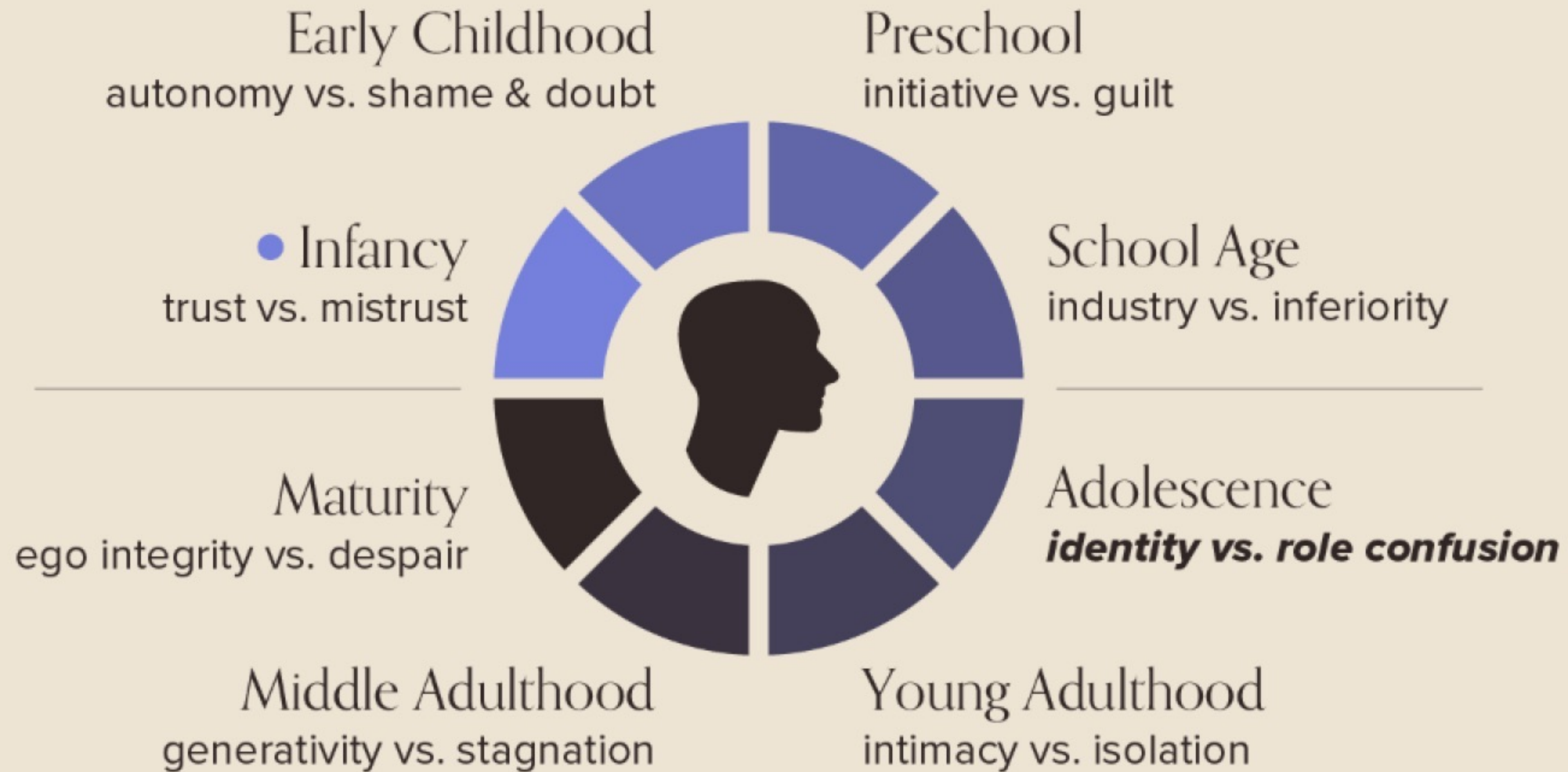


**Anytime God reveals more of  
who He is, it anchors more of  
who we are**

**“You can’t be anything you want to be...you shouldn’t even try to be ‘anything you want to be.’ You should focus your full attention on becoming everything God wants you to be.”**

*Scott Wilson*

# Stages of Psychosocial Development

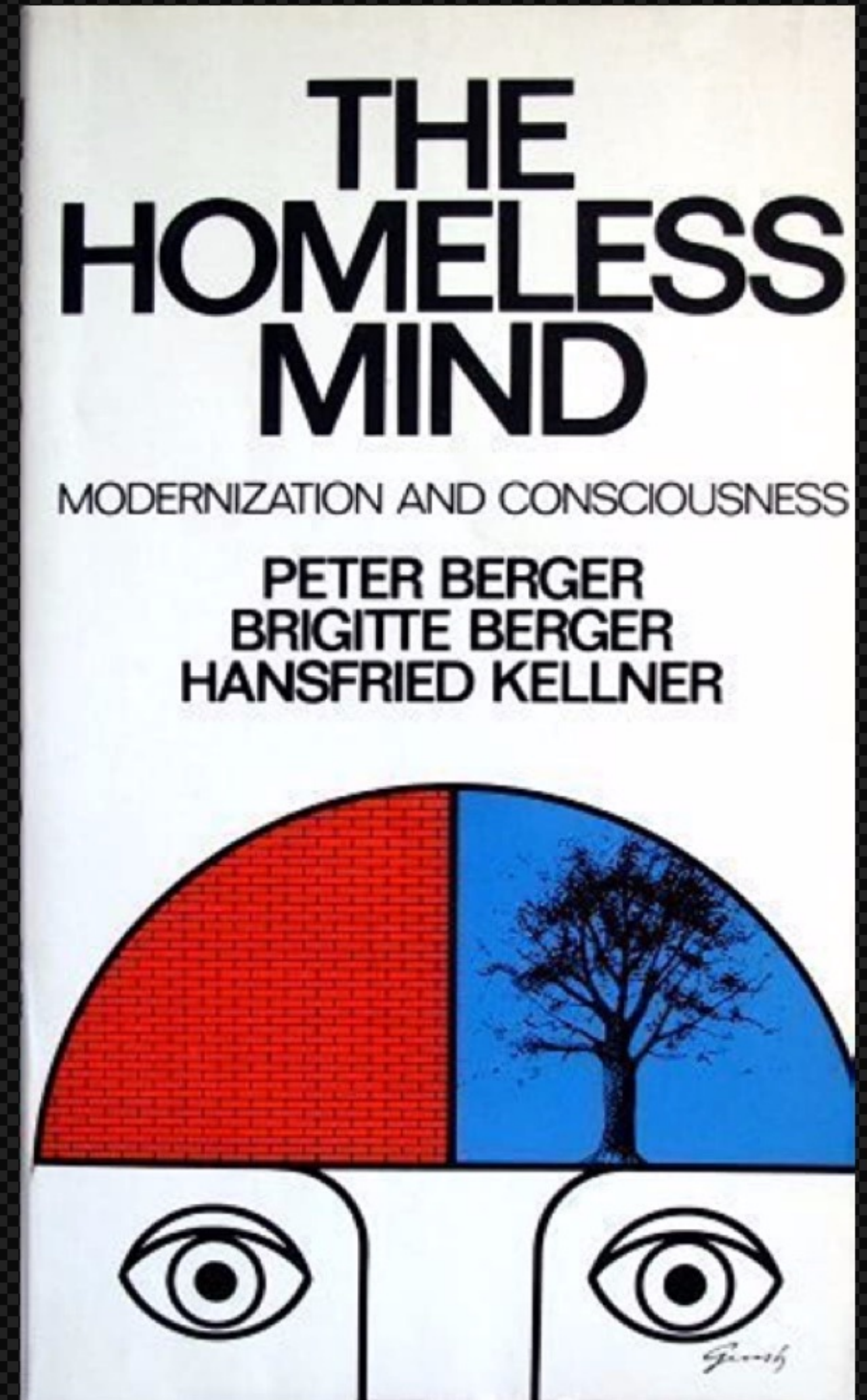




**“Those who remain unsure of their beliefs and desires will feel insecure and confused about themselves and the future.”**

*Erik Erikson*

**“Modern man is afflicted with a permanent identity crisis, a condition conducive to considerable nervousness.”**



**REVELATION  
RELEASES HIS  
AUTHORITY**



**Revelation brings us under  
His authority.**

**When we come under His  
authority, He gives us power  
to operate with His authority.**



**The woman asked Peter, “You’re not one of that man’s disciples, are you?” “No,” he said, “I am not.” . . . Meanwhile, as Simon Peter was standing by the fire warming himself, they asked him again, “You’re not one of his disciples, are you?” He denied it, saying, “No, I am not.” But one of the household slaves of the high priest, a relative of the man whose ear Peter had cut off, asked, “Didn’t I see you out there in the olive grove with Jesus?” Again Peter denied it. And immediately a rooster crowed.**

**John 18:17, 25-26 (NLT)**

**Then Peter stepped forward with the eleven other apostles and shouted to the crowd, “Listen carefully, all of you, fellow Jews and residents of Jerusalem! Make no mistake about this” . . . Those who believed what Peter said were baptized and added to the church that day—about 3,000 in all.**

**Acts 2:14, 41 (NLT)**