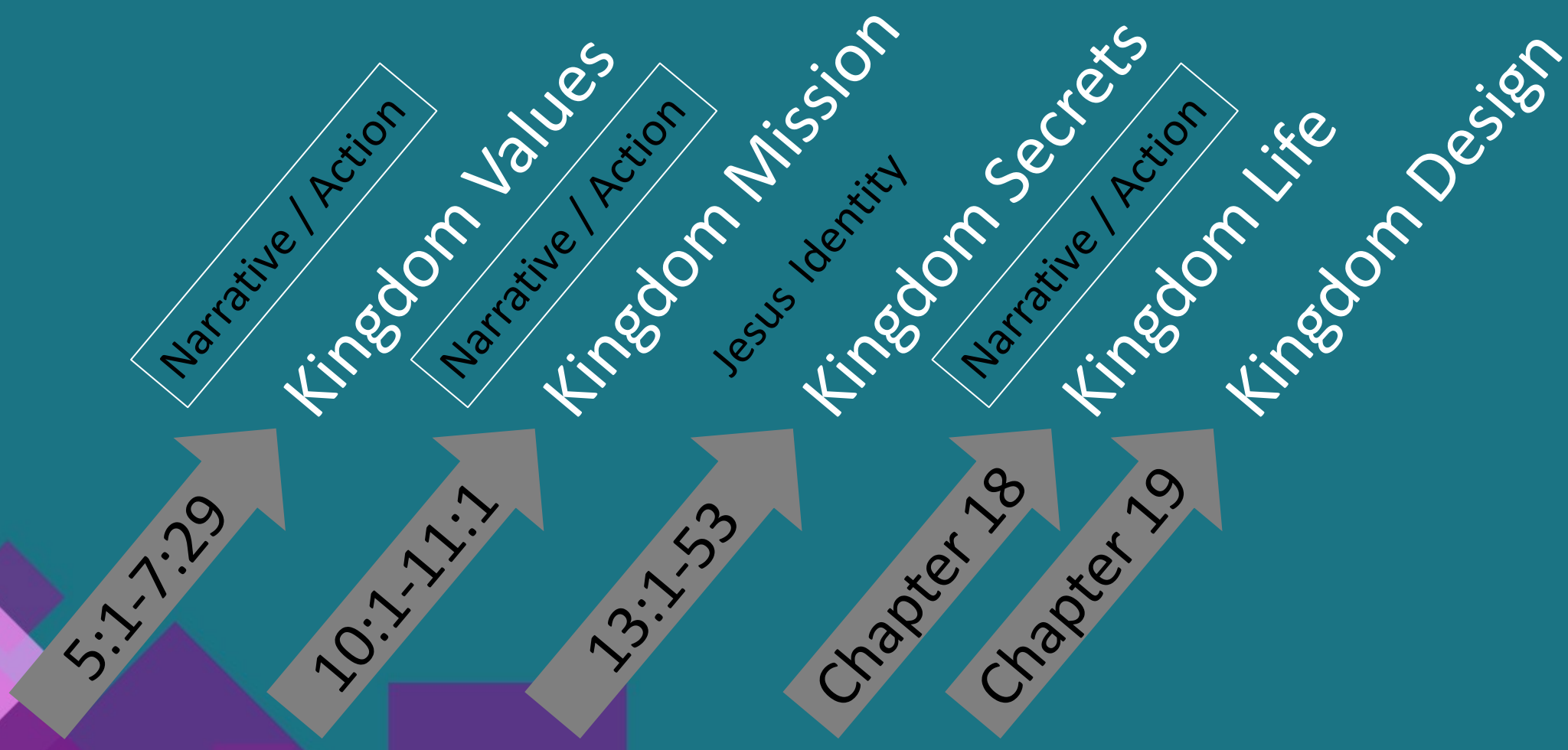




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“So we beat on, boats against the current,
borne back ceaselessly into the past.”



“After all, tomorrow is another day!”



“Roads?! Where we’re going, we don’t need roads!”

Handbook for Discipleship

18 Then Jesus came and said to them,

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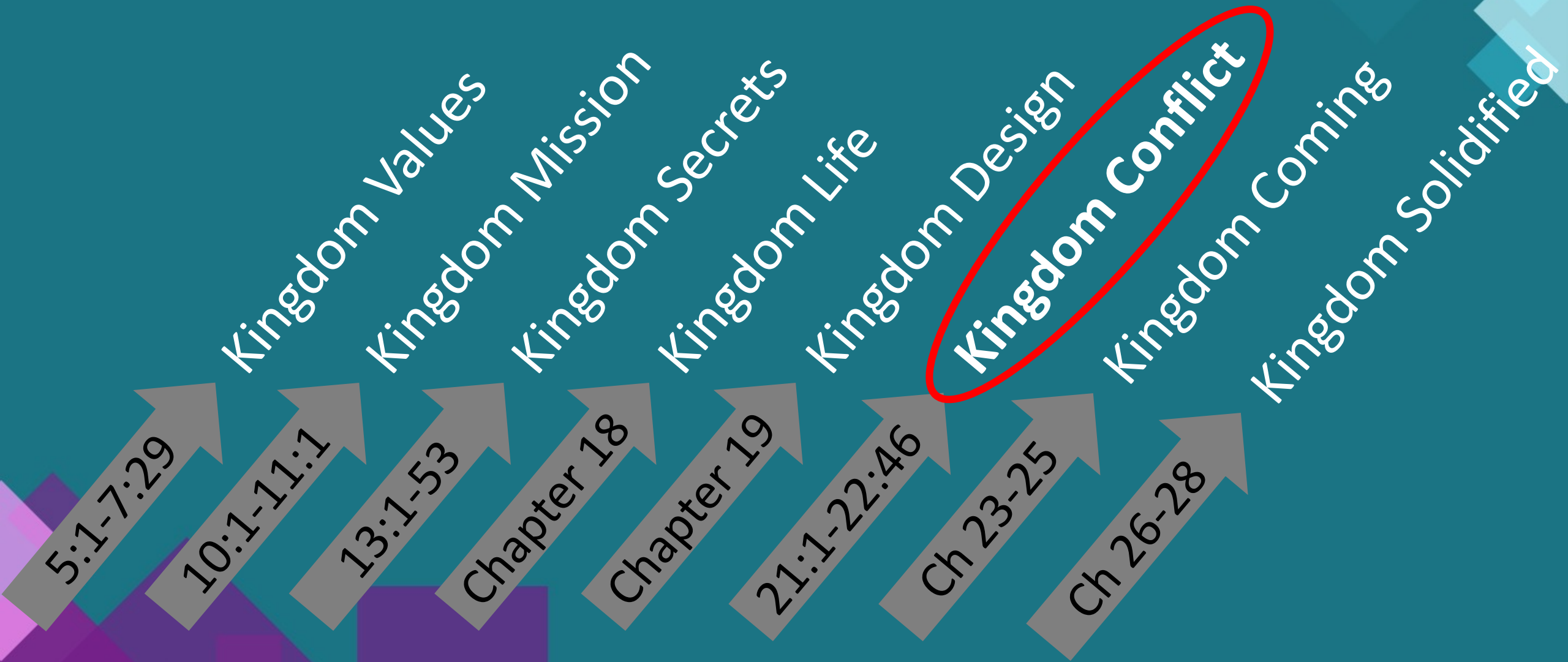
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baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,

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And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.

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- 1 Follow God's example, therefore, as dearly loved children
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- 8 For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light
- 9 (for the fruit of the light consists in all goodness, righteousness and truth)
- 10 and find out what pleases the Lord.
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Colossians 1:13-14