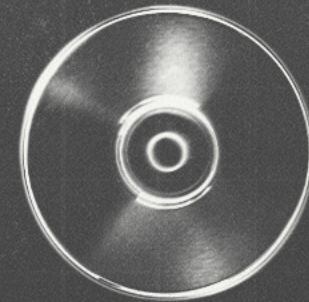


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YOU CAN'T PAY IN YOUR PARENTS' BACKYARD FOREVER... OR CAN YOU?

the Game of **LIFE**

QUARTER LIFE CRISIS

NOW WITH CRIPPLING DEBT!

IT'S JUST LIKE THE REAL WORLD!

CHOOSE YOUR PATH FOR STRESS, STRUGGLE, AND EXISTENTIAL DESPAIR!

JOB
WORK TWO JOBS
AND STILL BARELY
AFFORD RENT!



FAMILY
YOU CAN'T TAKE CARE
OF YOURSELF, BUT SURE,
HAVE SOME KIDS!



HUMILIATION
SO MANY AWKWARD
SITUATIONS!



AND DEBT
PAY IT ALL OFF TO WIN!



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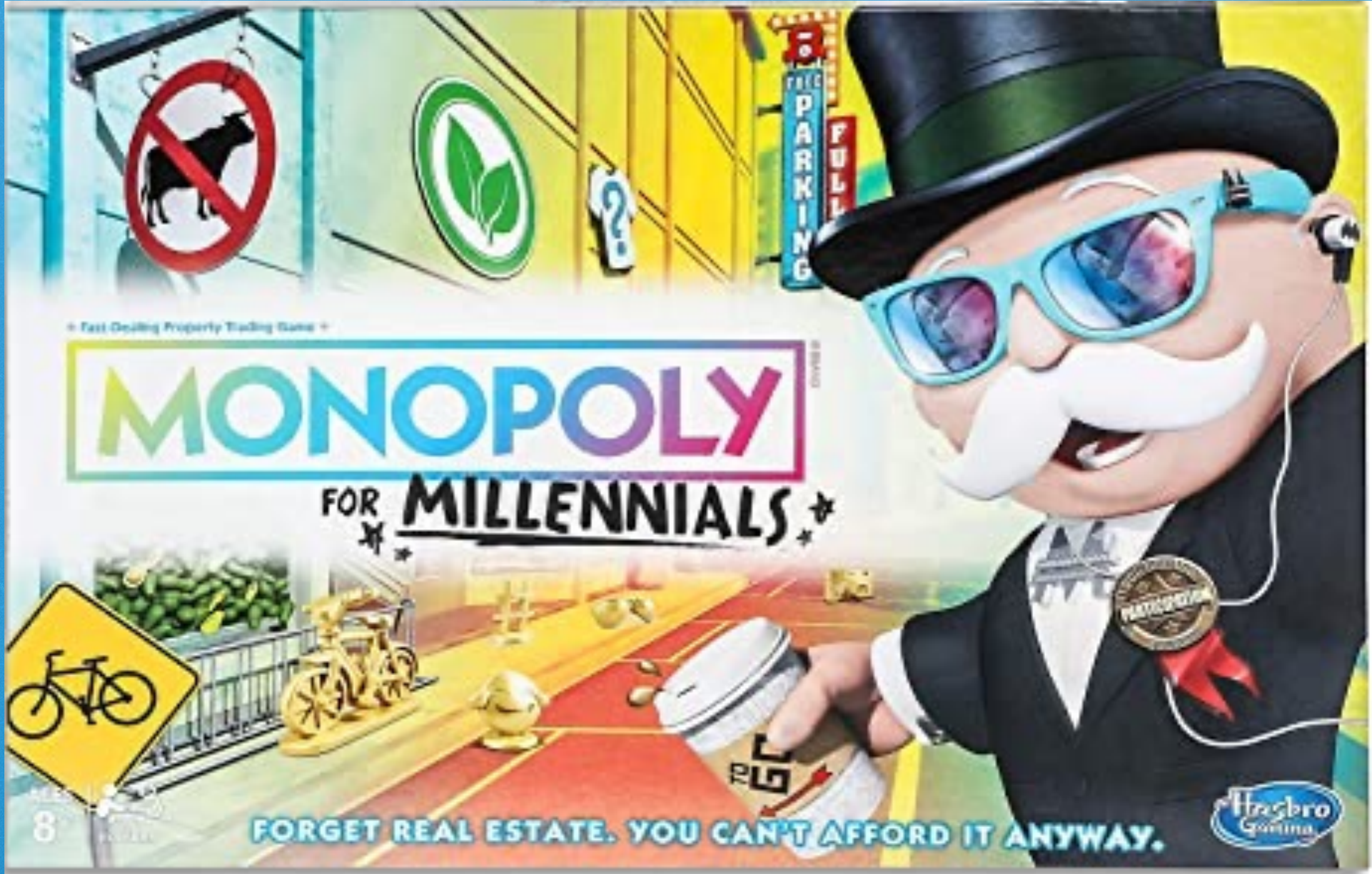
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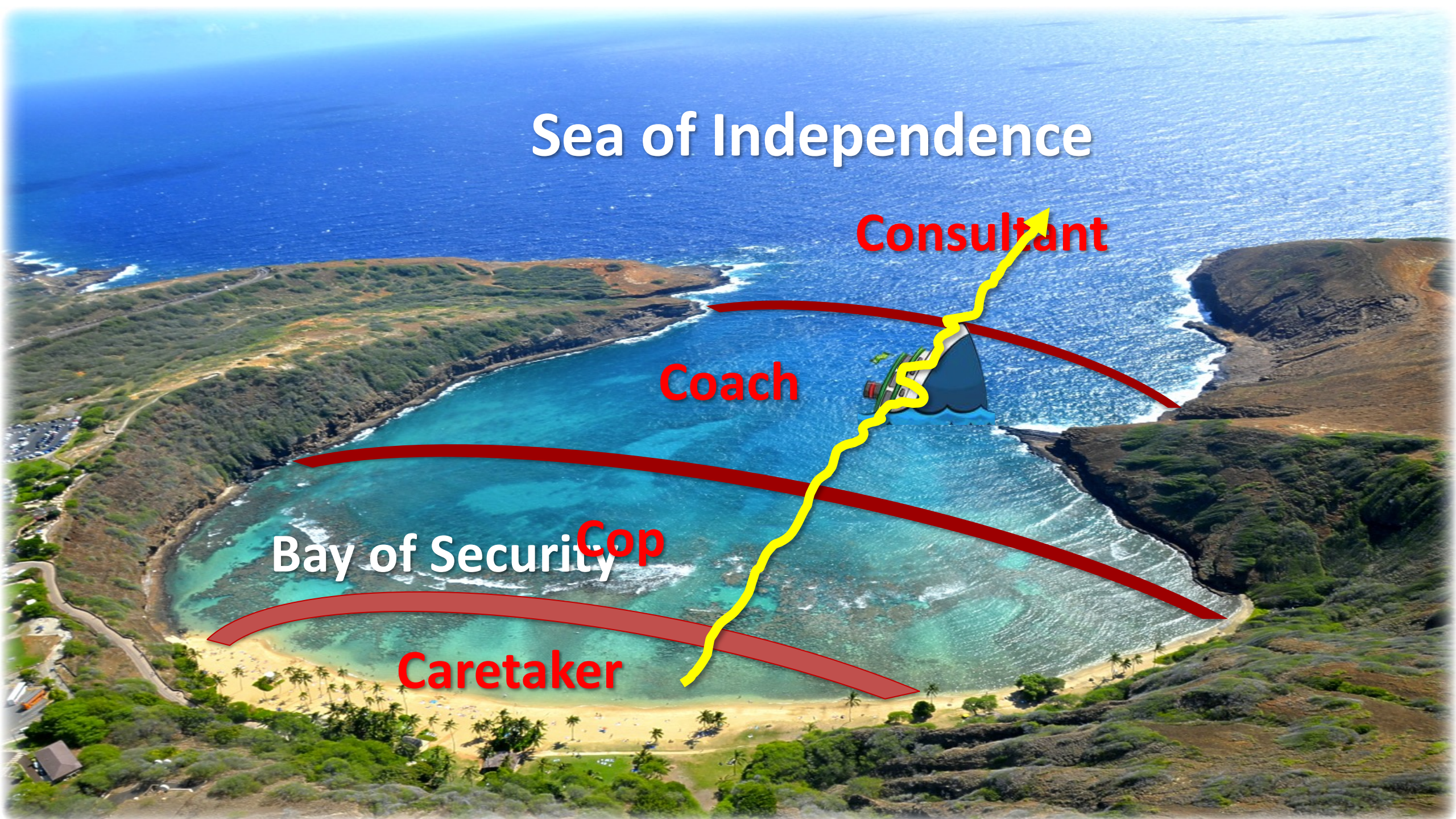
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1 Corinthians
13:11

“When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I gave up childish ways.”

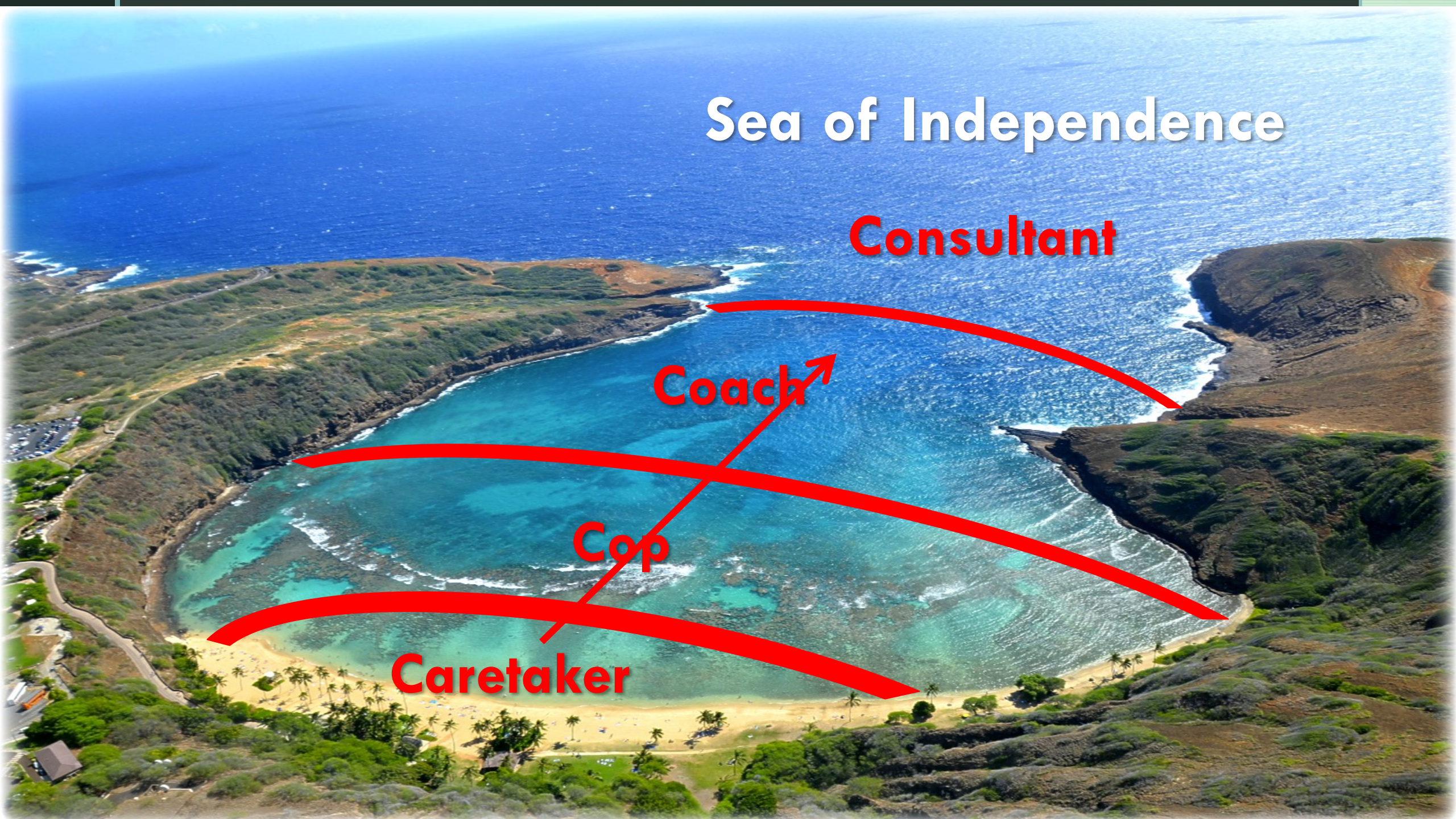
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Sea of Independence

Consultant

Coach

Cop

Caretaker

Behold, children are a heritage
the fruit of the womb

Like

We are called to unleash
single-minded, Christ-
centered, biblically-
anchored, world-changers!

— Psalm 127:3-5



A time to affirm **your child**, help them prepare for God's plan for their future, challenge them to leave behind the world of childhood, and invite them into the ranks of emerging adulthood



Bar Mitzvah



Quinceanera



Land
Diving
Pentecost
Island



Fula Whip Match – Fulani Tribe



Massai Lion Killing

Sun
Dance
Lakota
Tribe



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What rites of passage does our culture have?



What rites of passage does our culture have?



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When did you first see
yourself as a man or
woman?

Bringing a child into adulthood is a lifestyle, not a one time event

If you celebrate a milestone without equipping them, you're just throwing a party

First and foremost... you need the heart of a discipler



Give ear, O my people, to my teaching; incline your ears to the words of my mouth! I will open my mouth in a parable; I will utter dark sayings from of old, things that we have heard and known, that our fathers have told us.

We will not hide them from their children, but tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the LORD, and his might, and the wonders that he has done.

He established a testimony in Jacob and appointed a law in Israel, which he commanded our fathers to teach to their children, that the next generation might know them, the children yet unborn, and arise and tell them to their children, so that they should set their hope in God and not forget the works of God, but keep his commandments

– Psalm 78:1-7

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Core competencies to emphasize in the teen years

- Identity in Christ
- Healthy relationships
- Commitment to biblical purity & sexuality
- Spiritual disciplines
- Spiritual gifts and serving
- Basic tenets of the faith

Preliminary Questions

- How do I see my child right now?
- How has God wired them?
- Who do I want them to be? vs. What do I want them to do?
- What do I desire for them 5 years from now? 10 years? (have I ever expressed this to them?)
- When my kids leave home, what do I want most for them?
Social standing (well-adjusted)... Athletic accomplishment ...
Good grades... Faith & character?
- Which of these get most of my time and emphasis?

So How Do We Do This?

- ⇒ Step One: Create a plan – A small investment of thought and effort will mean a great deal to your son or daughter.
- ⇒ Step Two: Invite people who have had an impact in your teen's life and/or whom they respect. Give each person a specific topic on which he or she will speak or write a letter. Some topics may include work, marriage, integrity, faith, purity, family, etc.
- ⇒ Step Three: Make it easy for others to participate by providing them with recommended wording for their talk or letter in order to help them avoid becoming nervous or attending ill-prepared.



**“IF A THING IS WORTH DOING,
IT IS WORTH DOING BADLY.”
- G. K. CHESTERTON**

Possible Things to Include

- ⇒ Give a Blessing – Affirm their potential (in word or letter) and express gratitude for his or her life.
- ⇒ Give a Vision for the Future – Cast vision and direct them in seeking the Lord as they enter a season of significant decisions that will impact the future.
- ⇒ Give a Gift – This doesn't need to be extravagant. It's more important that it serve as a tangible keepsake of the event that they can hold on to for years to come (book of letters/blessings, sword, ring, arrow)
- ⇒ Set the Stage – This event serves as an opportunity to set a new tone for your changing relationship. Your role is shifting from primarily teacher/coach to more of a consultant as they accept the new freedoms and responsibilities that accompany young adulthood. Let them know you'll be there to help them work through challenges and navigate landmines as they take ownership for choices and their walk with God.



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PRACTICAL CHECKLIST

EVALUATE

- ✓ Is our relationship strong enough for the experience to feel authentic vs. forced?
- ✓ Does my child have other adults in his/her life who have had enough influence to participate in such an experience?
- ✓ Does my teen show signs he/she is willing to move toward adult responsibilities and attitudes?
- ✓ If you answer no to any of these questions it might be better to plan a special dinner alone together to begin meaningful dialog rather than attempt the full rite of passage experience.

PRACTICAL CHECKLIST

WHEN

- ✓ What day is best to make this event special? On a birthday? In conjunction with a holiday? As a special day of it's own?
- ✓ What date would work best for those who might need to travel to participate?

WHO

- ✓ What relatives should participate? (Grandparent? Respected aunt or uncle? Older brother or sister?)
- ✓ Is my child close to a pastor, youth minister, teacher, or coach that he/she respects?
- ✓ If you're not planning the event as a surprise, invite your teen to suggest who he/she would like to include.

PRACTICAL CHECKLIST

HOW

- ✓ Would my child prefer a formal event or casual experience?
- ✓ What would be a good setting for the event? At home? Grandparent's home? A favorite restaurant? The church? A park?
- ✓ What kind of fun activity would our child enjoy doing with the older men or women before the formal portion of the event? (For example, a teen boy might enjoy going to shooting range or golfing while a girl might prefer shopping or tennis)

Q & A

FOCUS ON THE FAMILY®

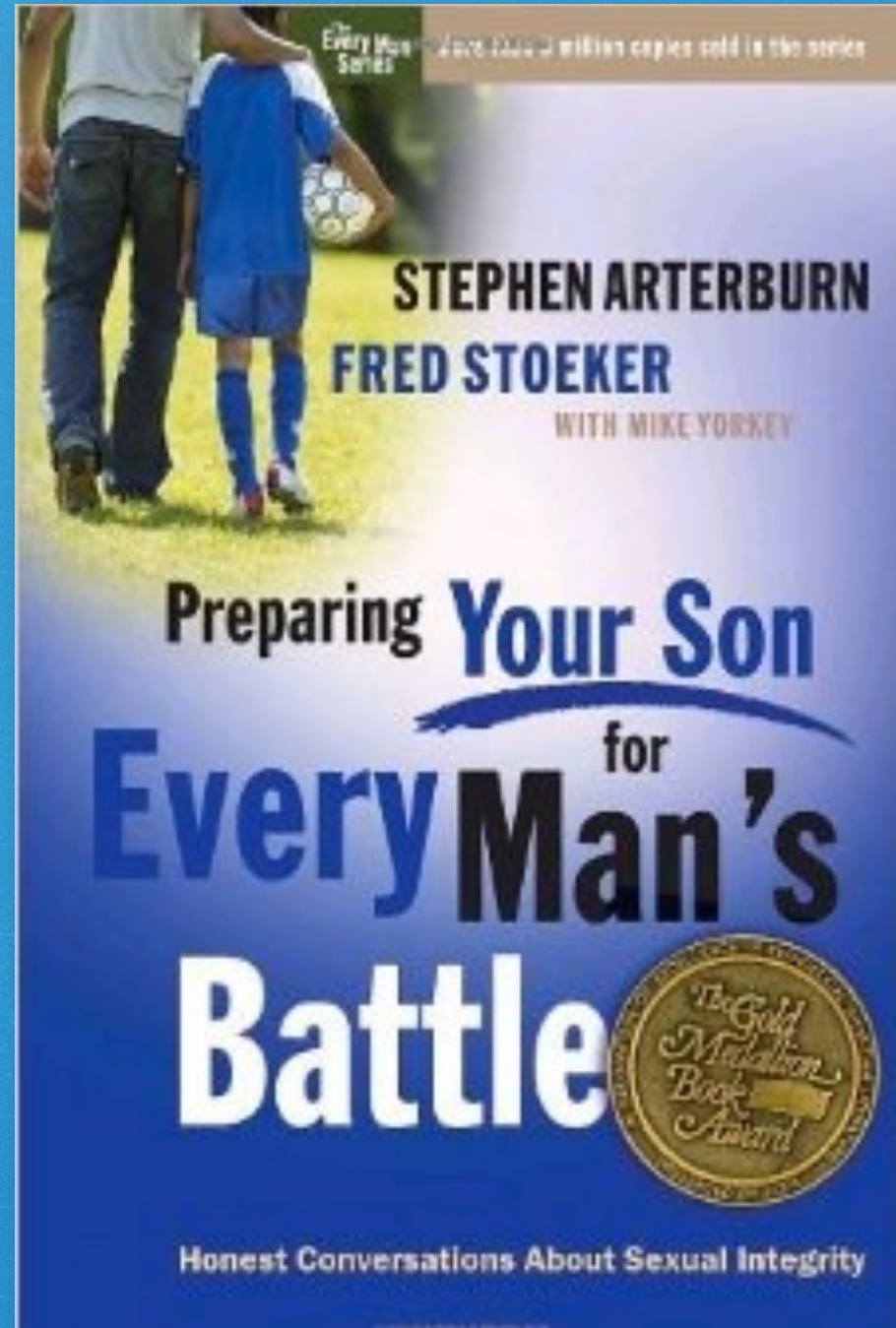
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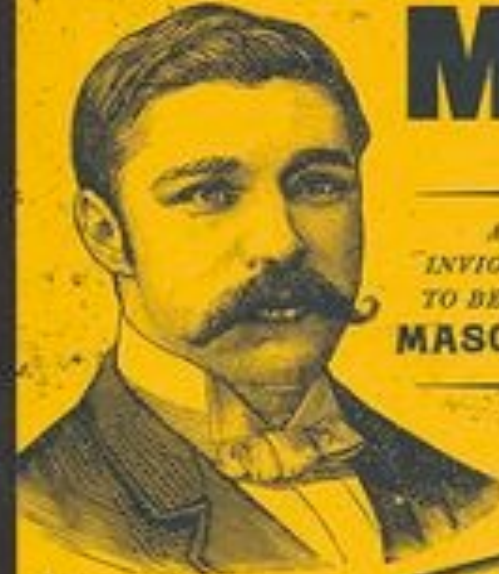
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