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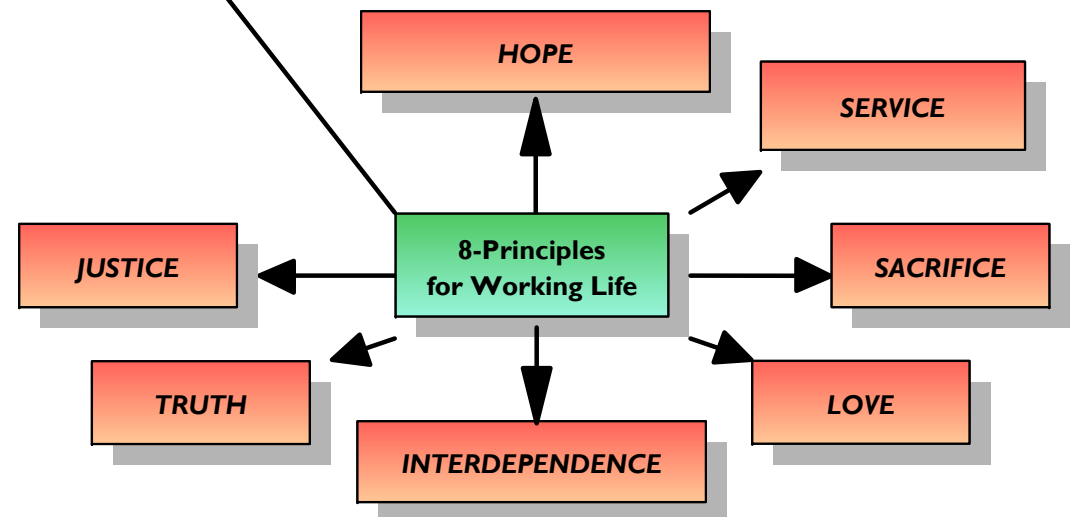
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**8-Principles
for Working Life**

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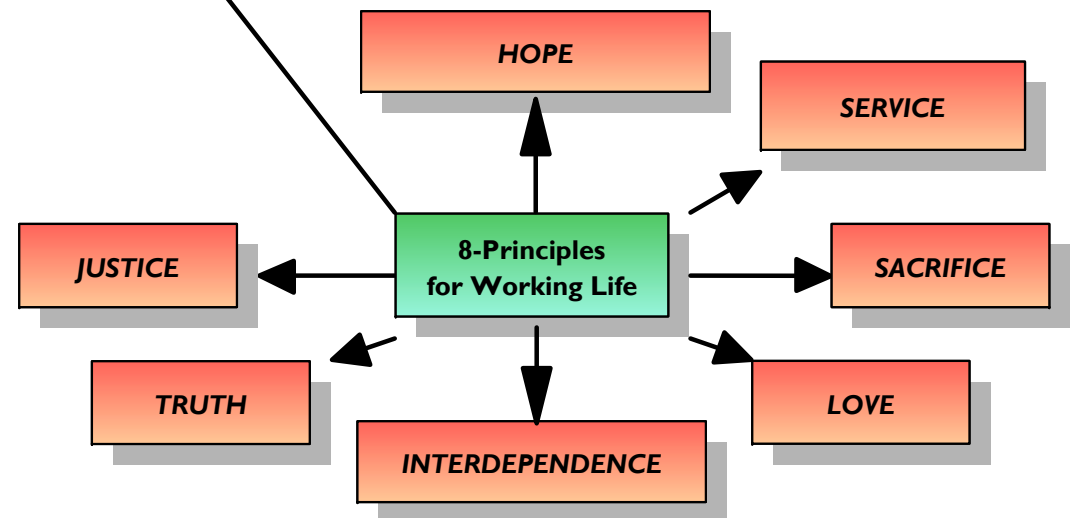
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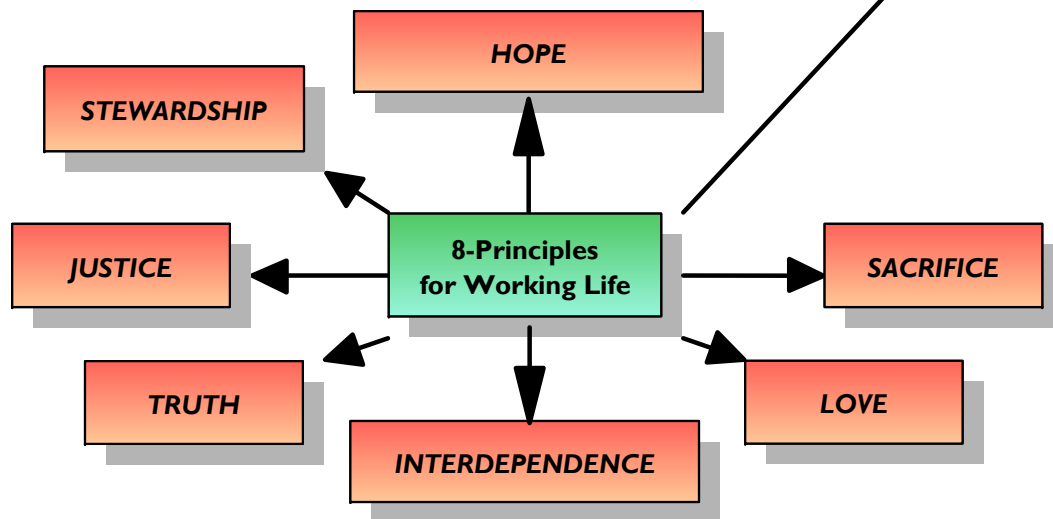
- ▶ To remember that nothing is ours permanently, but is entrusted to us to use well for a short time, and then to give an account
- ▶ To leave things better than we found them, for the good of those who follow us.



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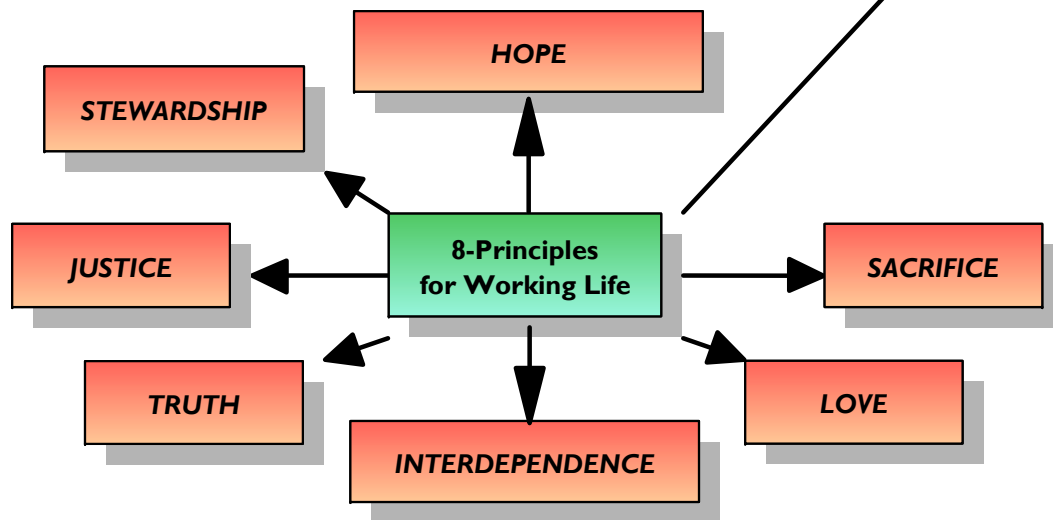
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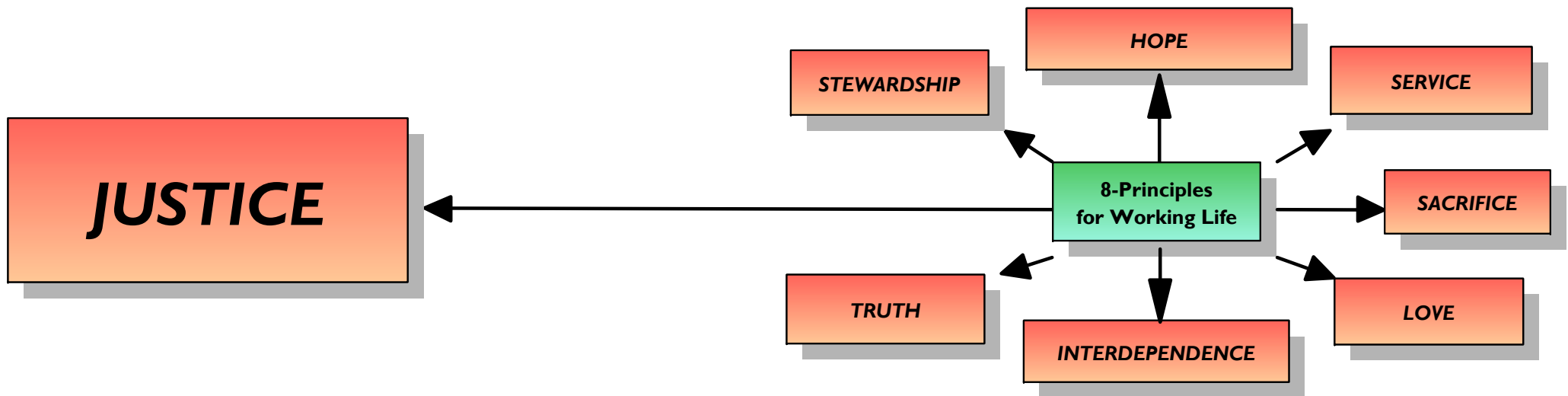
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- ▶ To remember that positions of leadership are positions of service.
- ▶ To reorient our minds from control and exploitation to service and support.

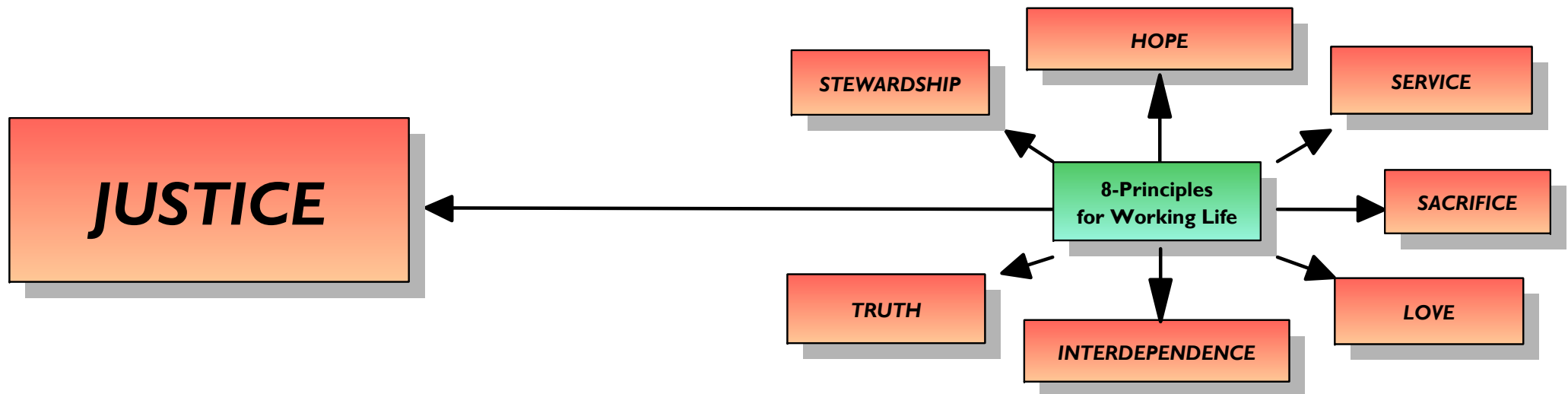
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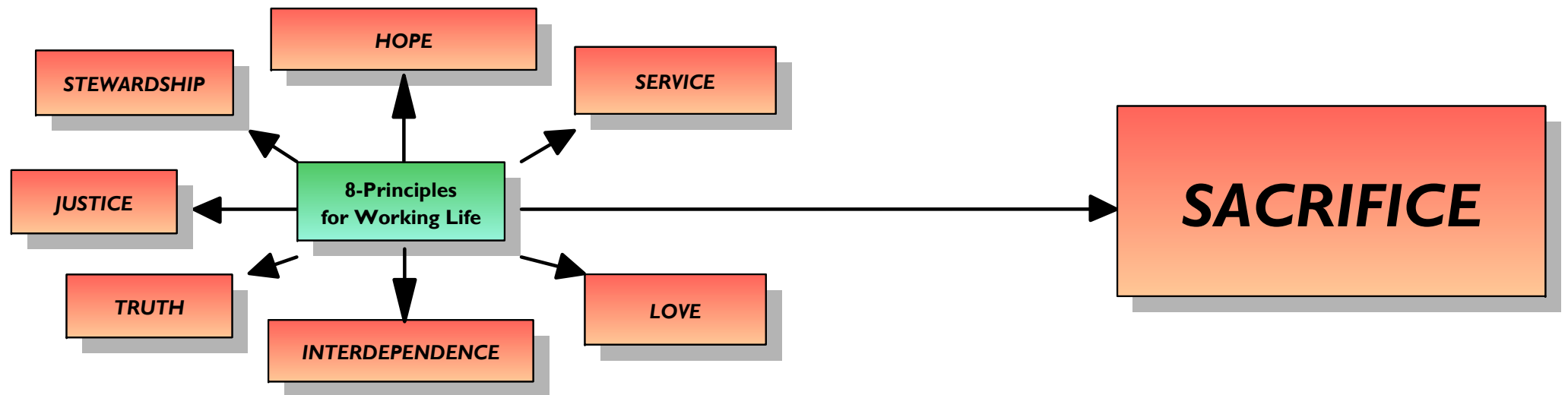


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- To seek fairness in the treatment of others, especially those less able to defend themselves against inequity.
- To consult and explain when hard choices have to be implemented.

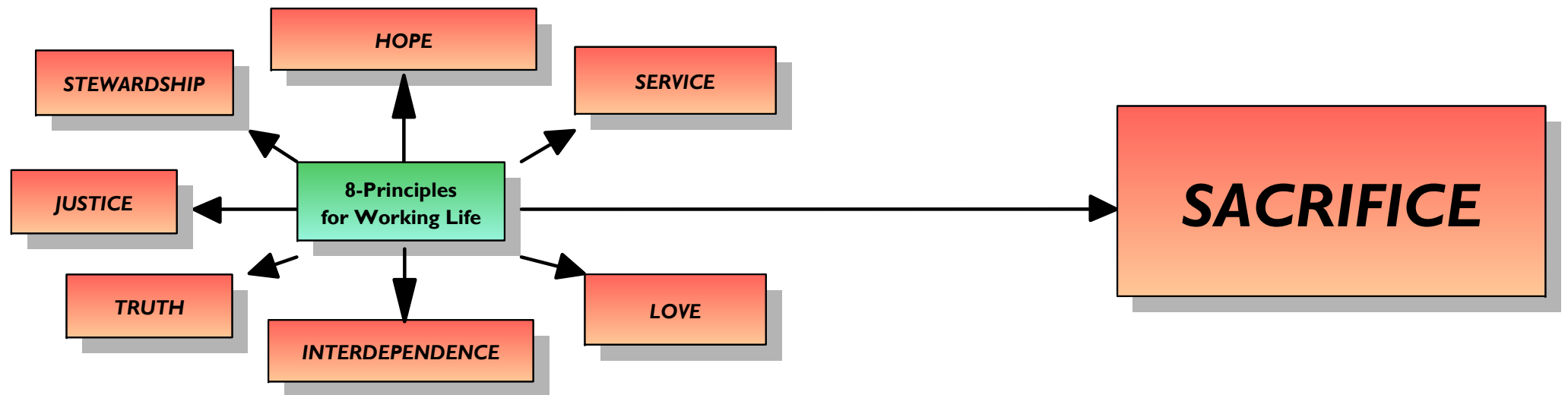
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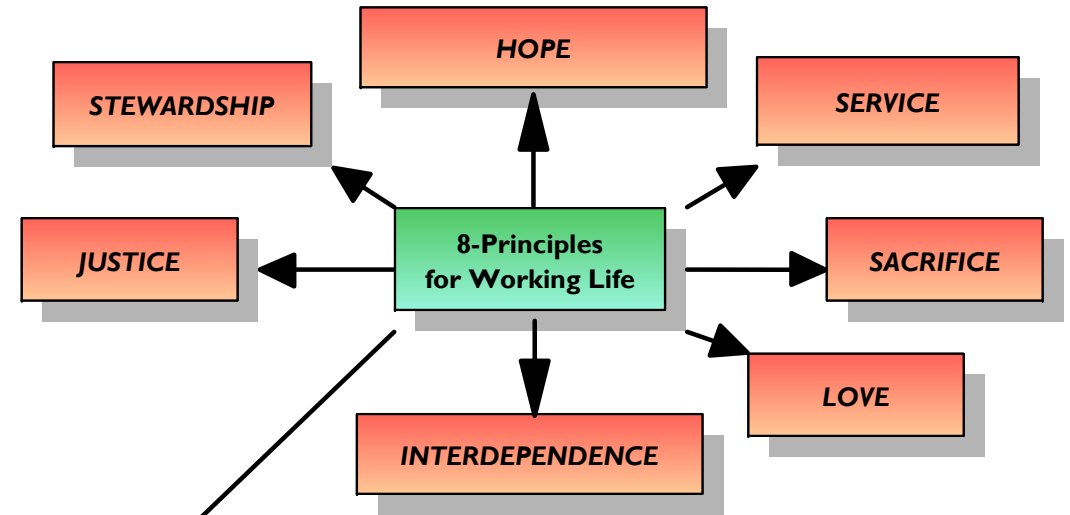


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- ▶ To put the wellbeing of others ahead of our own convenience.
- ▶ To give priority to the long term over quick gains now.
- ▶ To place principle above profit.

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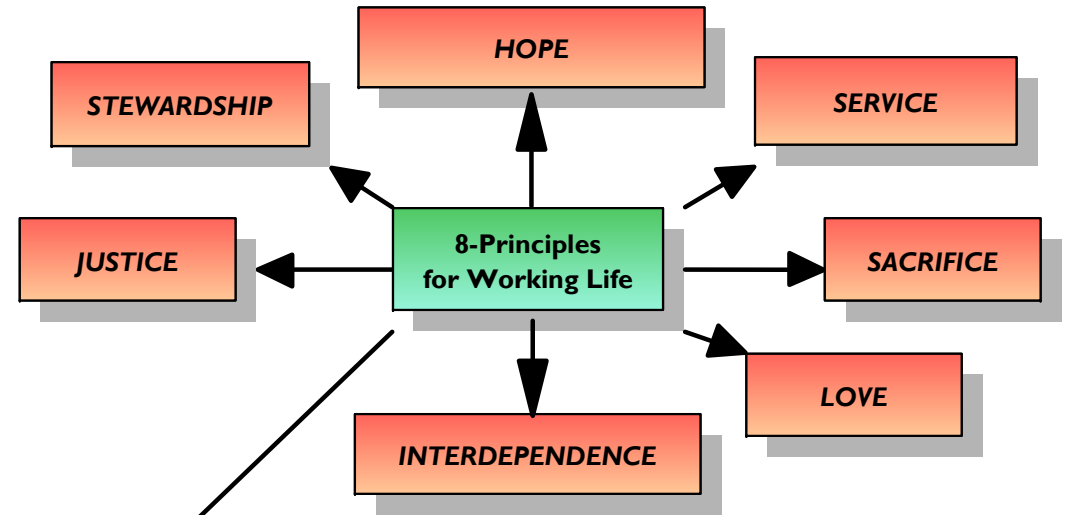
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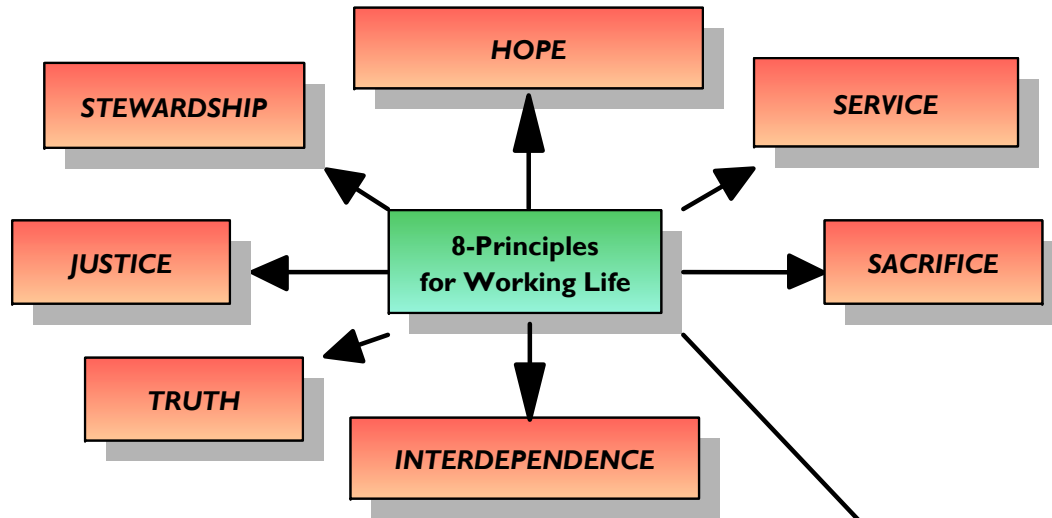
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- ▶ To make certain that manifesto promises are kept, and future promises are capable of being kept.
- ▶ To avoid exaggeration, false accusation and misrepresentation
- ▶ Allow others to speak the truth

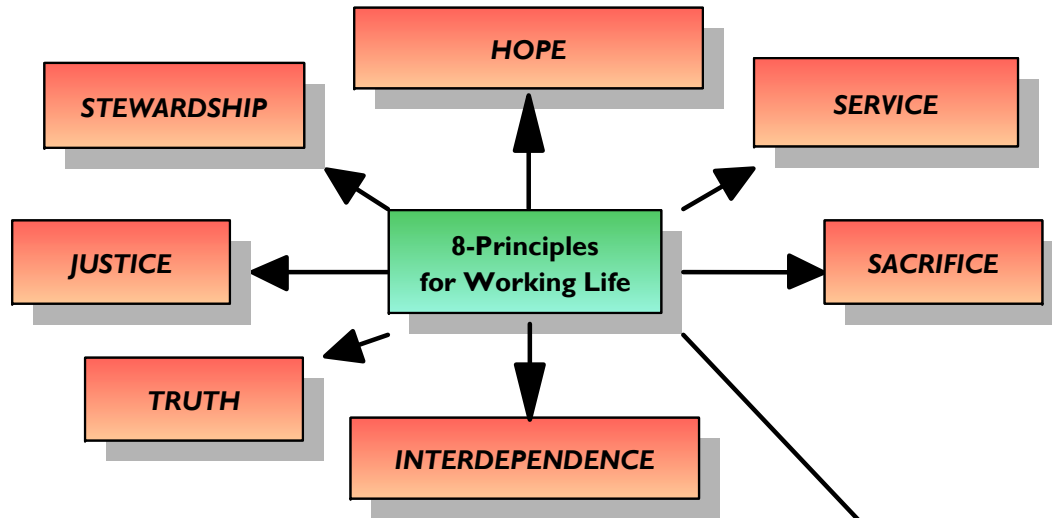
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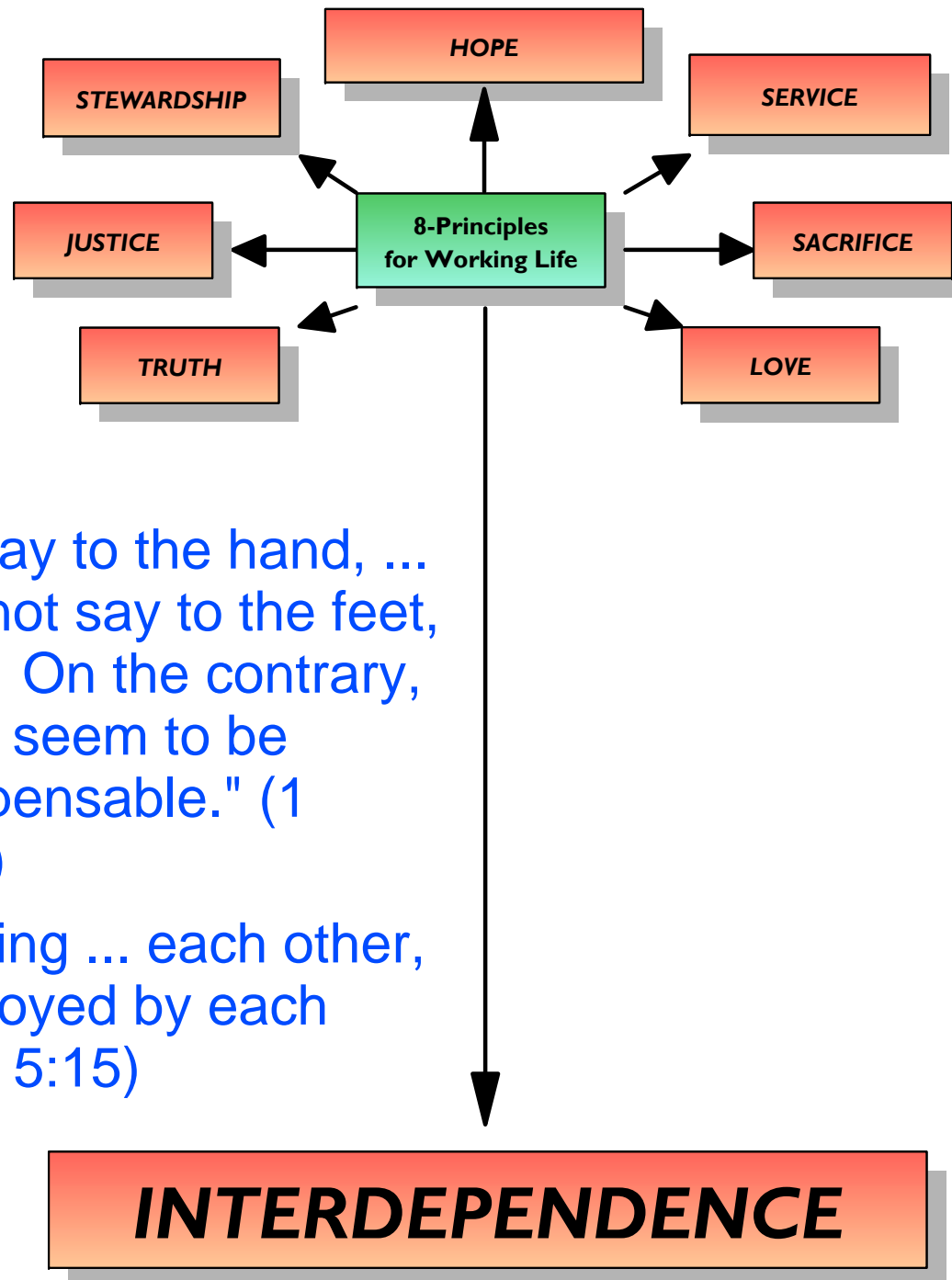
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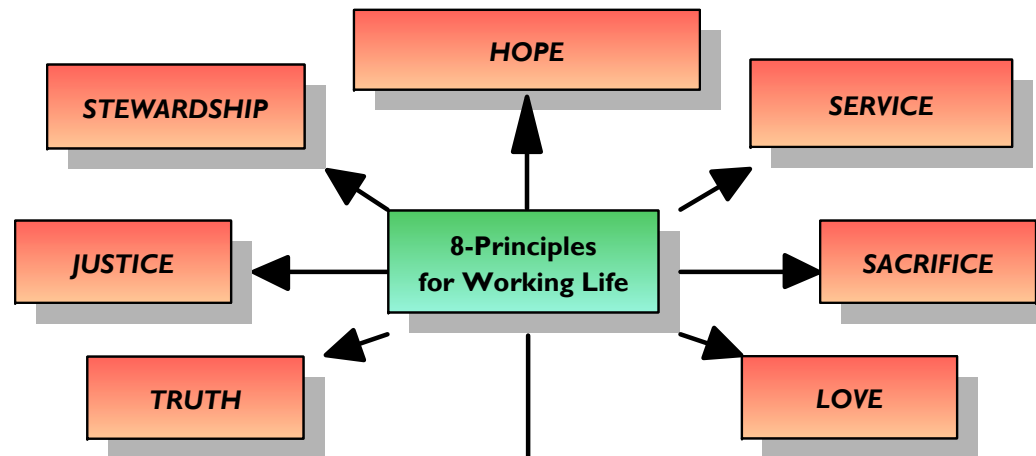
- ▶ To emphasise the love that gives, rather than the desire that wants and takes.
- ▶ To place the interests of others ahead of personal benefit
- ▶ To develop and implement policies which strengthen and develop those who rely on us.

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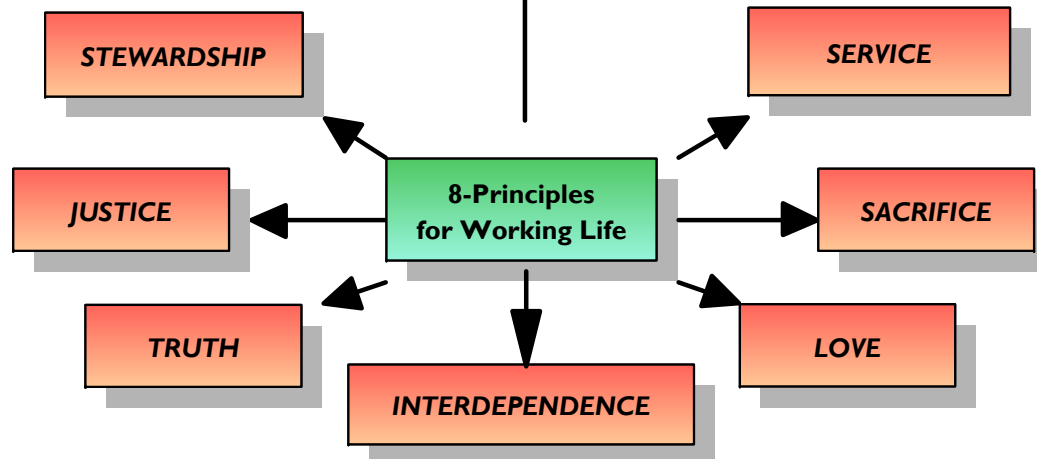
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- ▶ To understand not only who we rely on, but also who relies on us.
- ▶ Mutual support ... joined up activity"

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- ▶ To remember that one disappointment or failure is not the end of everything.
- ▶ To support and strengthen those who see themselves as without a future.
- ▶ To exercise patience

