



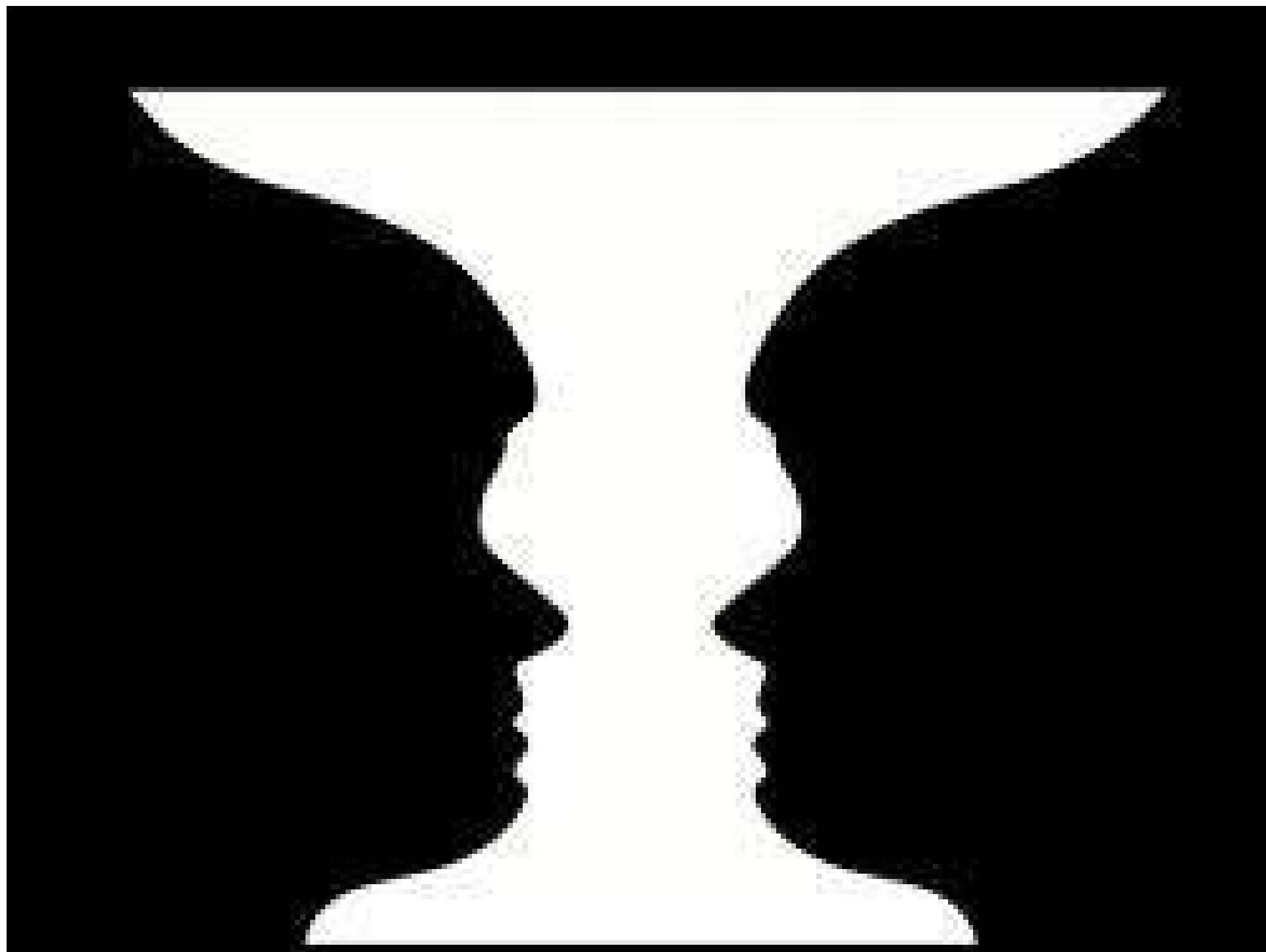
THE 3 PARADOXES OF A FRUITFUL LIFE

John 12: 20-26

PARADOX

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1. a statement or proposition that seems self-contradictory or absurd but in reality expresses a possible truth.





PARADOX 1

**IT IS ONLY BY DEATH THAT YOU CAN
GAIN LIFE.**

John 12:24

I tell you the truth, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies, it produces many seeds.

PARADOX 2

**IT IS ONLY BY SPENDING LIFE THAT
YOU CAN RETAIN IT.**

John 12:25

The man who loves his life will lose it,
while the man who hates his life in
this world will keep it for eternal life

PARADOX 3

**IT IS ONLY BY SERVING THAT
GREATNESS WILL COME.**

John 12:26

Whoever serves me must follow me; and where I am, my servant also will be. My Father will honour the one who serves me.

PARADOX “extras”

Strength in Weakness

“For when I am weak, then I am strong.”

2 Corinthians 12:10

PARADOX “extras”

Winning by Losing

“So the last will be first, and the first will be last.”

Matthew 20:16