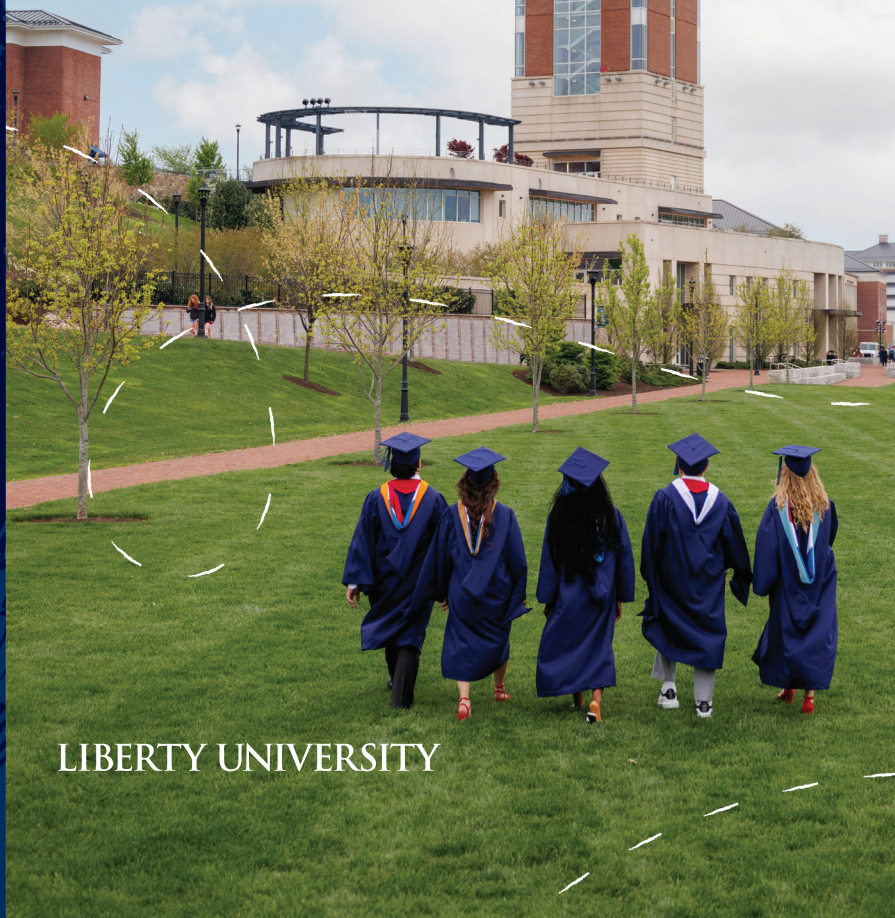




STUDENT DEVELOPMENT MODEL



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develops Christ-centered men and women with the **values, knowledge, and skills** essential to impact the world.

LIBERTY UNIVERSITY MISSION STATEMENT

THIS MISSION CALLS ALL OF US TO

“Love the Lord your God with all your **heart** and with all your **soul** and with all your **strength** and with all your **mind**”; and, ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’”

LUKE 10:27



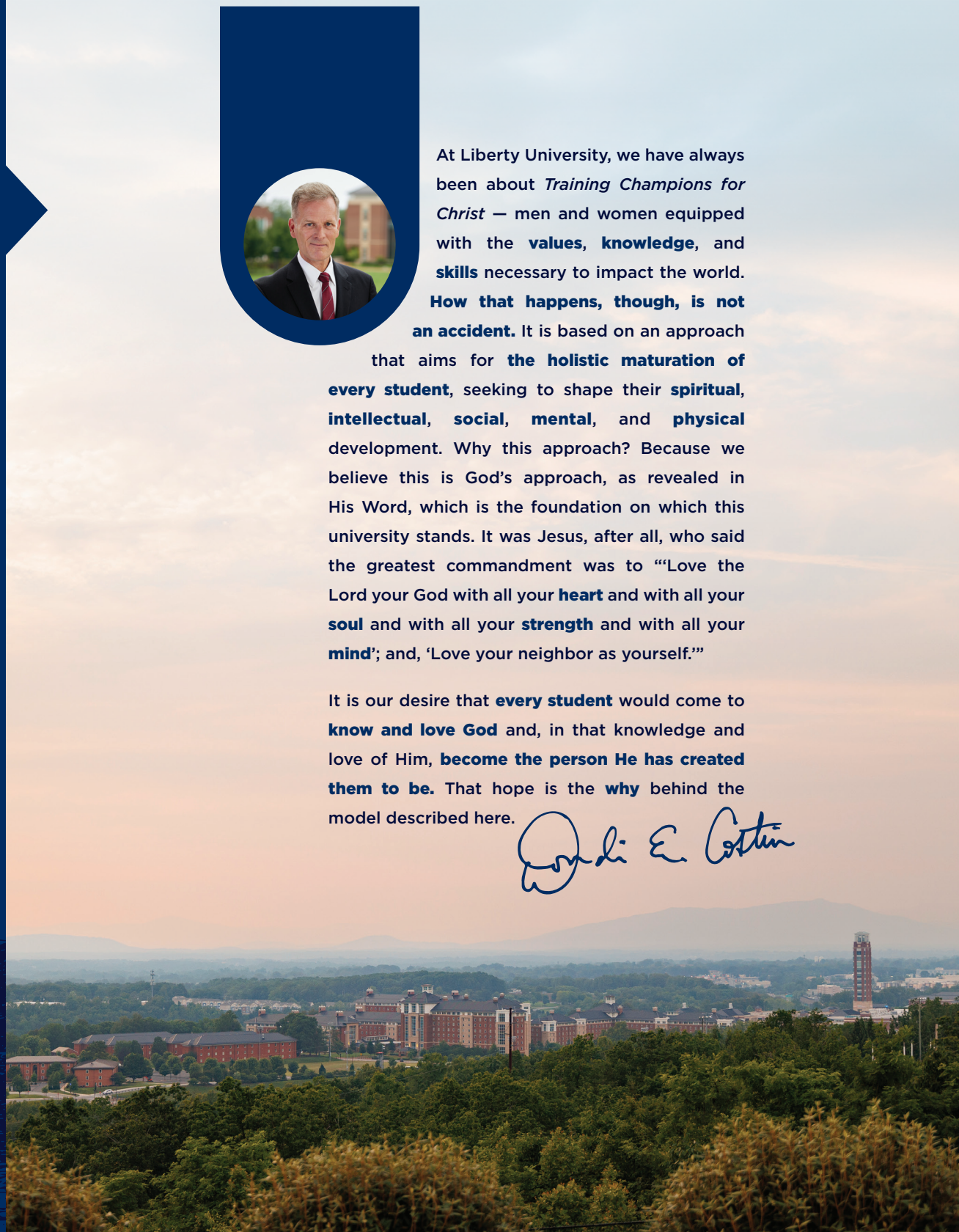
At Liberty University, we have always been about *Training Champions for Christ* — men and women equipped with the **values, knowledge, and skills** necessary to impact the world.

How that happens, though, is not an accident. It is based on an approach

that aims for **the holistic maturation of every student**, seeking to shape their **spiritual, intellectual, social, mental, and physical** development. Why this approach? Because we believe this is God’s approach, as revealed in His Word, which is the foundation on which this university stands. It was Jesus, after all, who said the greatest commandment was to “Love the Lord your God with all your **heart** and with all your **soul** and with all your **strength** and with all your **mind**”; and, ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’”

It is our desire that **every student** would come to **know and love God** and, in that knowledge and love of Him, **become the person He has created them to be**. That hope is the **why** behind the model described here.

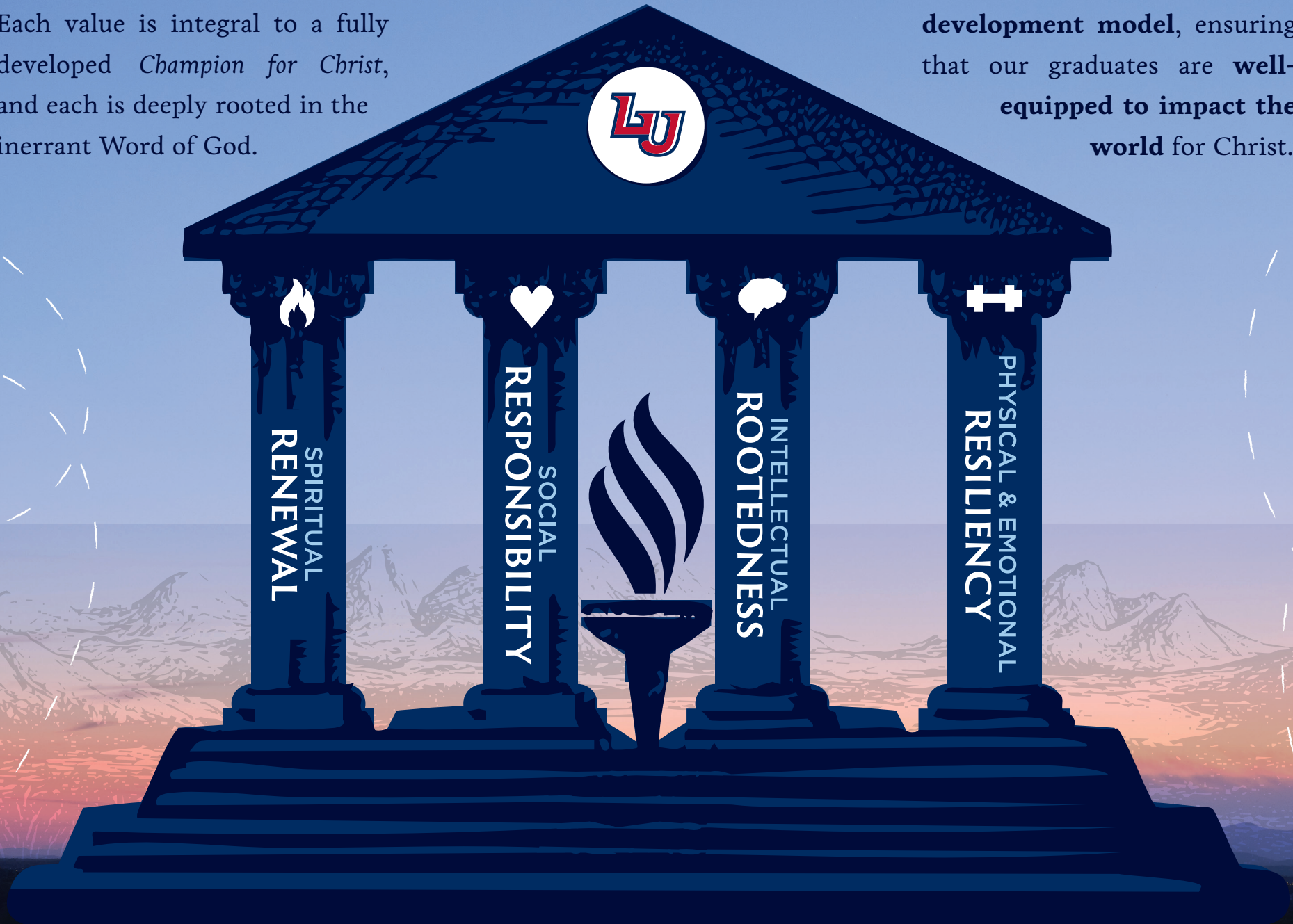
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CORE VALUES

Liberty University instills **four core values** into our students. Each value is integral to a fully developed *Champion for Christ*, and each is deeply rooted in the inerrant Word of God.

Together, these values form the **foundation of our student development model**, ensuring that our graduates are **well-equipped to impact the world** for Christ.





SPIRITUAL RENEWAL

WE VALUE the **spiritual renewal** of every student and affirm that through Jesus Christ, all men and women are invited to a restored relationship with God and called to engage in a process that results in their spiritual formation to become the persons He has purposed them to be. In light of this, we desire all students to be aware of what God has done for them so that in reliance upon His work, they would come to **know God** and grow in the **knowledge** of Him.

SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

WE VALUE the **social responsibility** of every student and affirm the calling of all men and women to treat one another in a way that honors God. This responsibility occurs in the various social relationships that students will encounter throughout their lives. Consequently, we desire for all students to grow in the **knowledge of others** with humility and love lived out in a life of stewardship that demonstrates an understanding of this truth.

INTELLECTUAL ROOTEDNESS

WE VALUE the **intellectual rootedness** of every student and affirm that through the pursuit of knowledge and wisdom, grounded in the Bible, men and women have the capacity to expand their mind and form their intellect. We desire all students to be aware of the importance of intellectual growth so that guided by the Holy Spirit, they would come to know God and grow in the **knowledge of His creation**. The value of Intellectual Rootedness and Knowledge of Creation is implemented into the life of a student by a set of skills that demonstrate these concepts.

PHYSICAL & EMOTIONAL RESILIENCY

WE VALUE the **physical and emotional resiliency** of every student and affirm that through a holistic understanding of their health, they understand the role their bodies play in worship and service. We desire all students to understand the biblically affirmed importance of their physical body in order to truly **flourish physically, mentally, and emotionally**. The value of physical and emotional resiliency for students involves a recognition of the connection between this area and other aspects of their lives, such as their spiritual growth, academic success, and relationships with others.



OUR MODEL

At the heart of the transformative experience at Liberty University lies a commitment to shaping students. The “**Discover | Develop | Deploy**” model offers a **holistic framework** that guides students through a **purposeful journey of growth**, rooted in the mission, to prepare graduates to impact the world for Jesus Christ.

This model is structured around three progressive phases and emphasizes four key areas of formation: *spiritual renewal*, *social responsibility*, *intellectual rootedness*, and *physical and emotional resiliency*. This model recognizes that students enter Liberty University at various points on their spiritual, intellectual, social, physical, and emotional journeys. Given this wide spectrum of maturity, processes are in place to **meet students where they are** and then help move them along toward human flourishing.

To become a *Champion for Christ*, students must be exposed to the normal rhythms of campus life.



DISCOVER

[ORIENTATION & EXPLORATION]

🕒 *Matriculation → First Year*



The **DISCOVER** phase, marking the beginning of the student journey, aims to ensure that each student becomes aware of the resources available to aid in their development. This occurs through **immersion into the regular practices and habits that define university life**. This includes exposure to all the various programming options, services, and resources that Liberty University provides to each student.





DEVELOP

[GROWTH & FLOURISHING]

🕒 *Course of Study*

In the **DEVELOP** phase, students deepen their engagement and begin to flourish in their chosen paths. This stage is characterized by **intentional growth through academic rigor, spiritual formation, leadership development, and experiential learning**. Throughout this phase, students build on the various areas they were exposed to during the **DISCOVER** phase.



DEPLOY

[PURPOSEFUL LAUNCH]

🕒 *Final Year → Graduation*

Finally, the **DEPLOY** phase prepares students to transition from the university into the world as ambassadors of Christ. This final stage focuses on **equipping students to live out their callings with confidence, competence, and compassion**. Students have developed habits that allow them to move forward into their careers and other spheres of influence as true *Champions for Christ*.





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