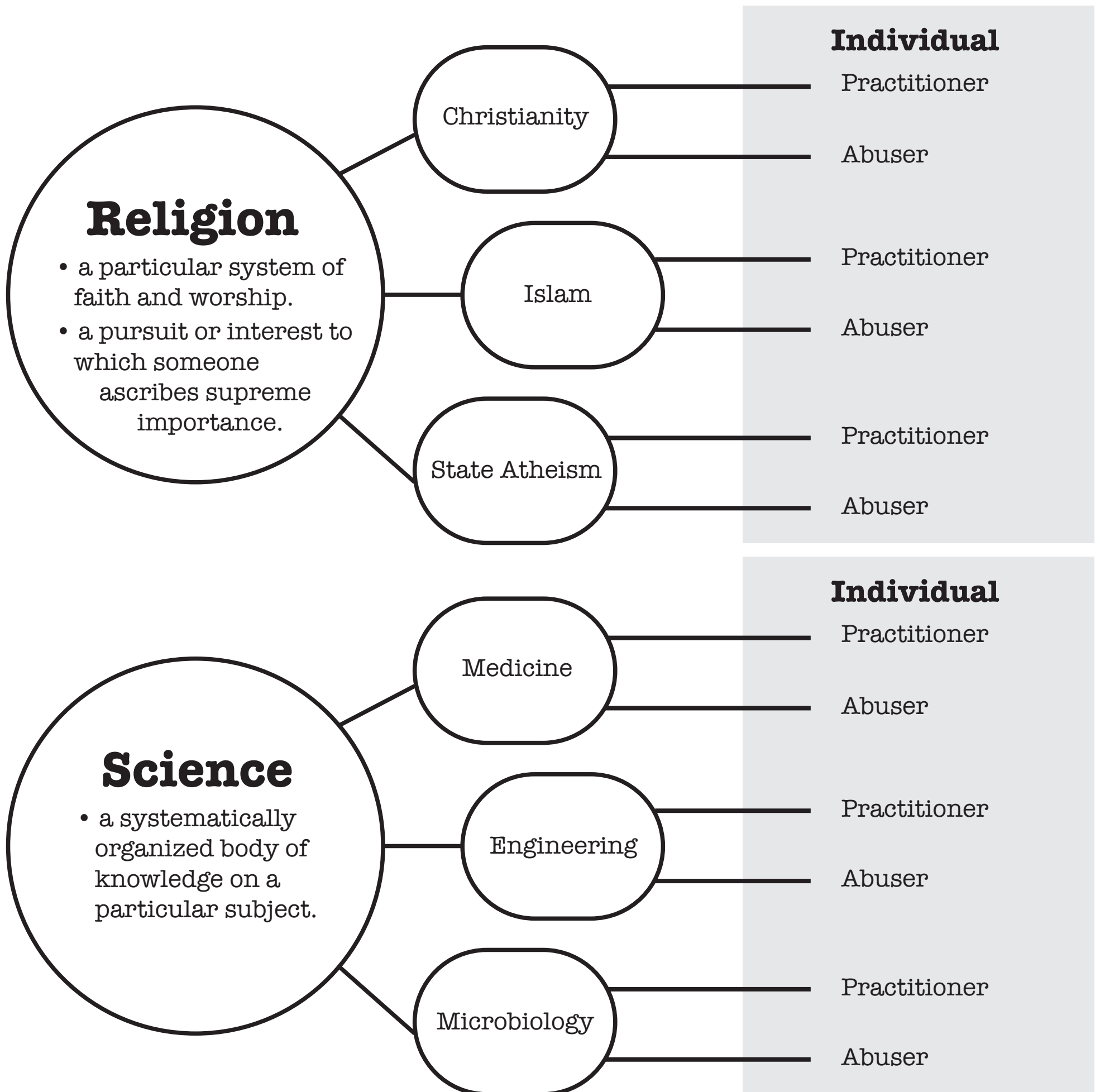


Sometimes the crazy assertion pops up that religion is responsible for the death of millions of innocent people throughout history, therefore, Christianity is bad, damaging, wrong or evil.

Lets unpack the logic behind this claim.



If individual practitioners of a particular religion are responsible for the death of others, it does not follow that all religion is bad. If it does, then it would also follow that science is bad since various practitioners of different sciences have created weapons of mass destruction used to kill millions. It could mean that a particular religion is bad based on that religion's teachings (Islam and State Atheism are arguably bad alone since millions have died based on their teachings, despite many individuals who are Muslim or Atheist being delightful people). If individuals who killed people did so adhering to a specific religion's teachings, those individuals are considered practitioners of that religion and that religion is bad and damaging to humanity. With Christianity, those who may have used it to kill innocent people did so in opposition to it's teachings and would be considered ubusers of Christianity making the individuals wrong, bad and damaging to humanity, not Christianity.