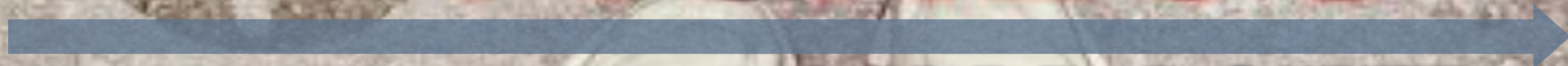


SPIRITUAL

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**Society thinks good character earns/
deserves salvation. But the reality is that
salvation inspires and transforms our
character.**



CHARACTER

“Be more concerned with your character than with your reputation. Your character is what you really are, while your reputation is merely what others think you are.”

-John Wooden

CHARACTER

Character is transformed by three things. First, you have to aim at the right goal. Second, you have to figure out the steps you need to take to get to that goal. Third, those steps have to become habitual, a matter of second nature.

-Tom Wright

**HOW TO
DEVELOP CHARACTER**
1. COMMITMENT



But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvellous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

1 Peter 2:9-10

**HOW TO
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2. OPENNESS



And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, 25 not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.

Hebrews 10:24-25

HOW TO DEVELOP CHARACTER

3. FOCUS

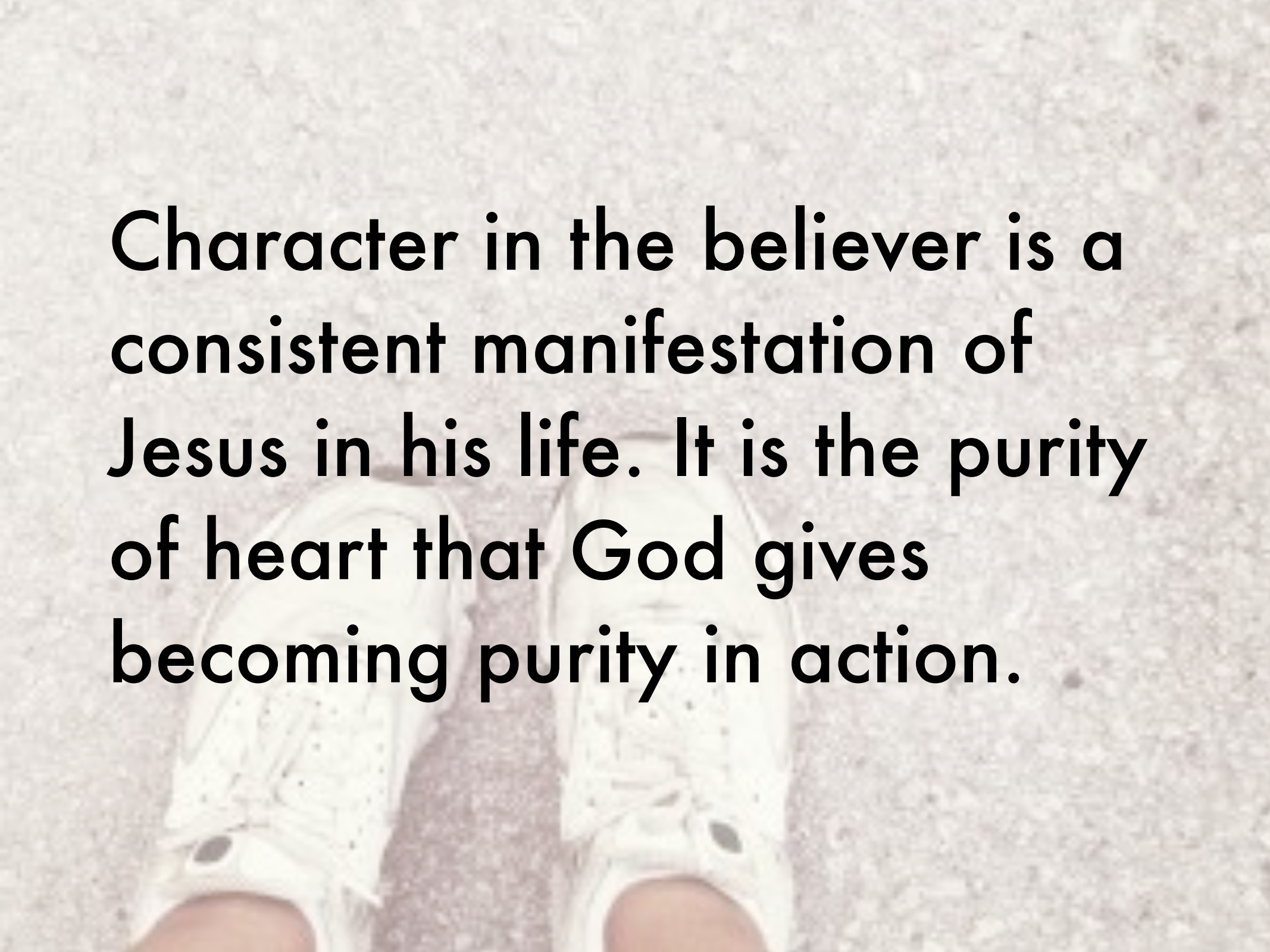


Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

Hebrews 12:1

"Some day, in years to come, you will be wrestling with the great temptation, or trembling under the great sorrow of your life. But the real struggle is here, now, in these quiet weeks. Now it is being decided whether, in the day of your supreme sorrow or temptation, you shall miserably fail or gloriously conquer. Character cannot be made except by a steady, long-continued process."

-Phillips Brooks

A person is wearing white sneakers with white laces on a light-colored carpeted floor. The text is overlaid on the image.

Character in the believer is a consistent manifestation of Jesus in his life. It is the purity of heart that God gives becoming purity in action.