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Change

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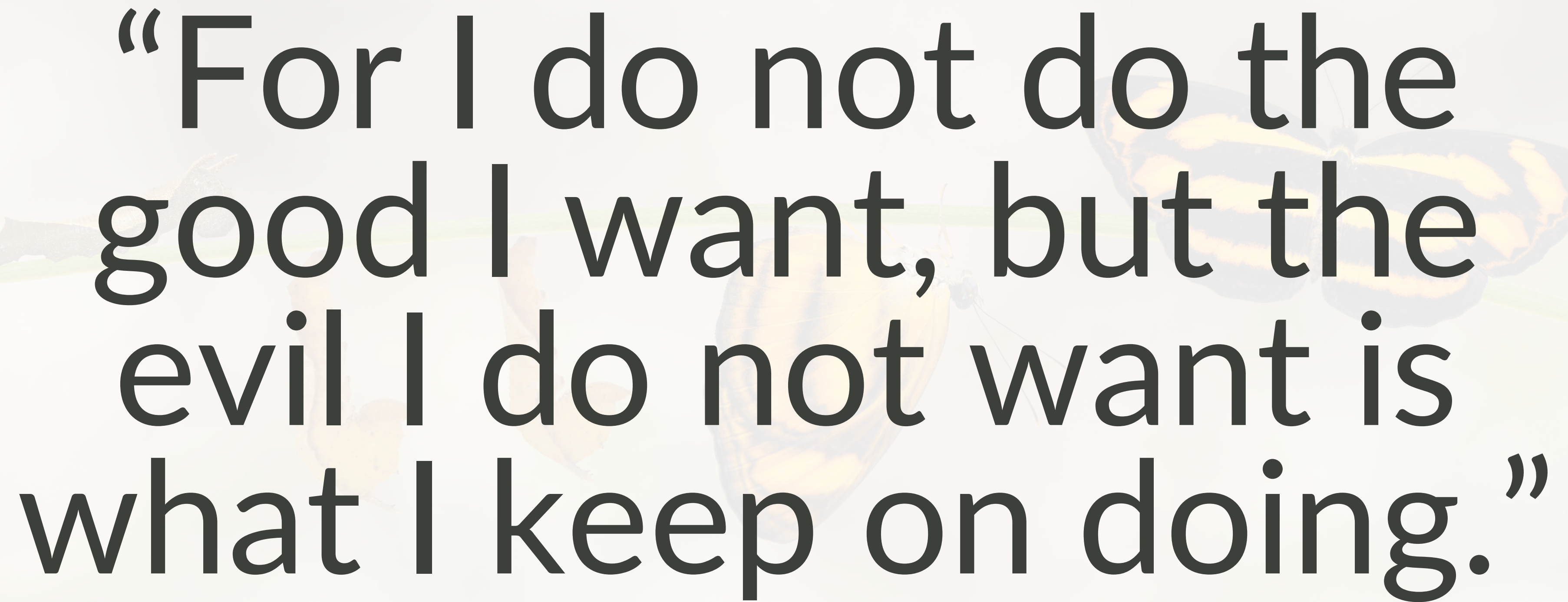
Can You Change?

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The Struggle is Real

Romans 7:14-19

The background of the image features a soft-focus photograph of several butterflies perched on a green stem. The butterflies are primarily yellow and orange with black markings, and they are positioned at various heights and angles, creating a sense of depth and movement. The overall tone is bright and natural.

“For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I keep on doing.”

Romans 7:19

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How's Your Transformation Going?

Romans 12:1-2

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Which side do
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Romans 7?



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Romans 12:2?

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Can You Really Change?

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YES!

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The background features a soft-focus image of a green stem with a yellow and black striped butterfly on the right and a yellow caterpillar on the left. The text is overlaid on this scene.

The Romans 7

Life...

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The background features a horizontal green stem with three stages of a butterfly's life cycle. From left to right: a brown caterpillar, a yellow and black chrysalis, and a yellow and black striped butterfly. The text 'The New Life' is overlaid in a large, bold, black font across the middle of the stem.

The New Life

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The Transformation Journey

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RENEWAL JOURNEY

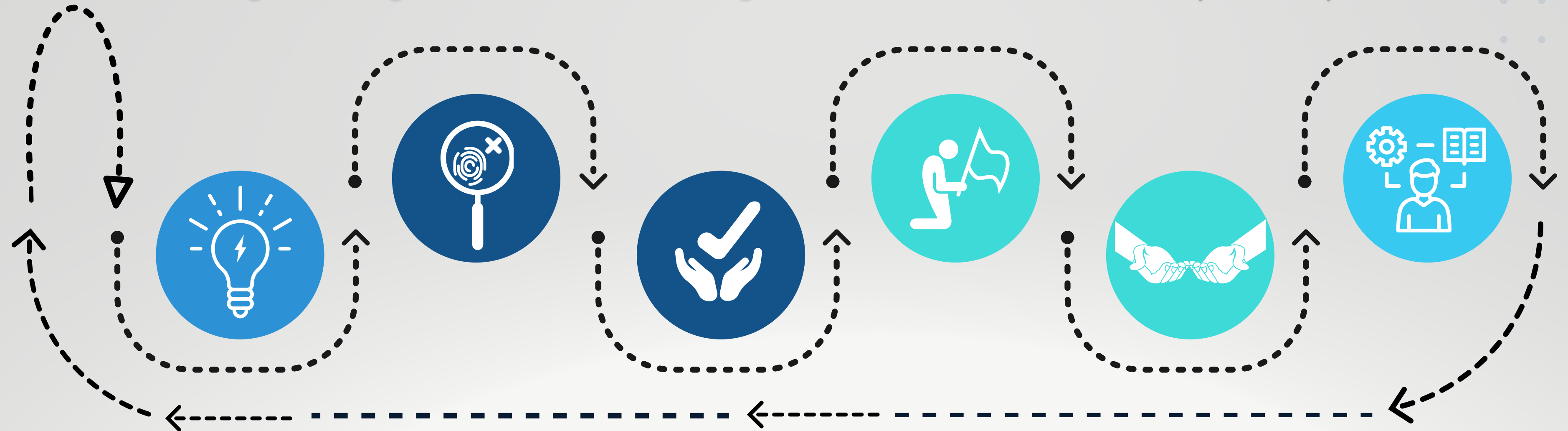


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- Ephesians 4:20-24, ESV

RENEWAL JOURNEY

the biblical path of transformation is one of *knowing - recognition - acknowledgement - surrender - reception - practice.*



KNOW

We *know* who we are and how we tend to show up in our thinking, feelings, actions and being through knowledge shared by others.

RECOGNIZE

We *recognize* the shadow and all of the subtle ways it shows up. This is a life-long journey.

ACKNOWLEDGE

We *acknowledge* the reality of its impact on us and others.

SURRENDER

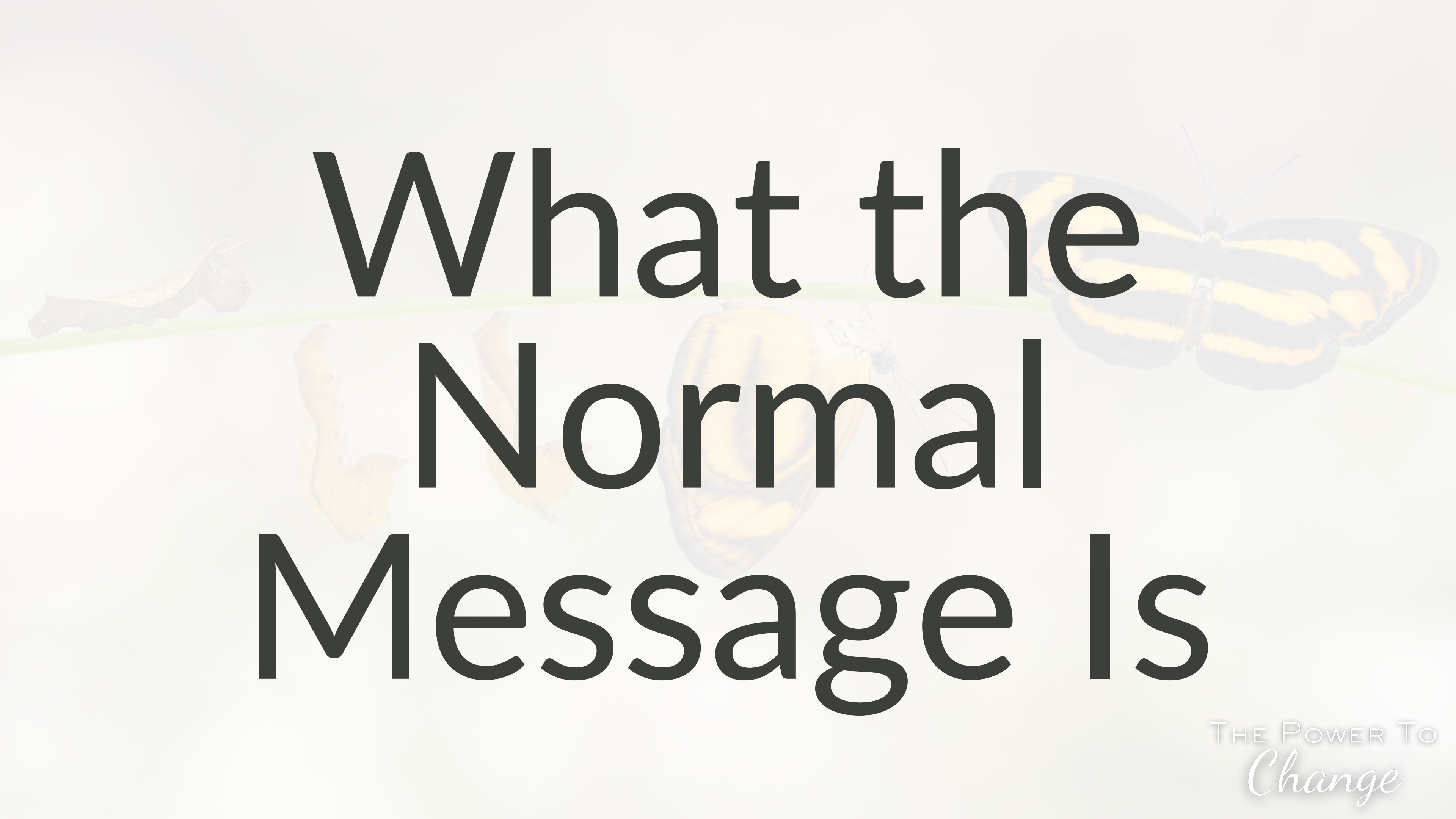
We *surrender* to the Spirit of God by intentionally inviting the presence of Jesus into the shadow, not trying to "be acceptable" first.

RECEIVE

We *receive* the provision of the Spirit's strength, truth and wisdom to move us away from the shadow and into the light of Christ.

PRACTICE

We *practice* intentional ways of thinking and doing that will lead us to not react, but rather to *respond* to our emotions as information about the state of our being.



What the
Normal
Message Is

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STOP IT!!!



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STOP IT!!!

START IT!!!

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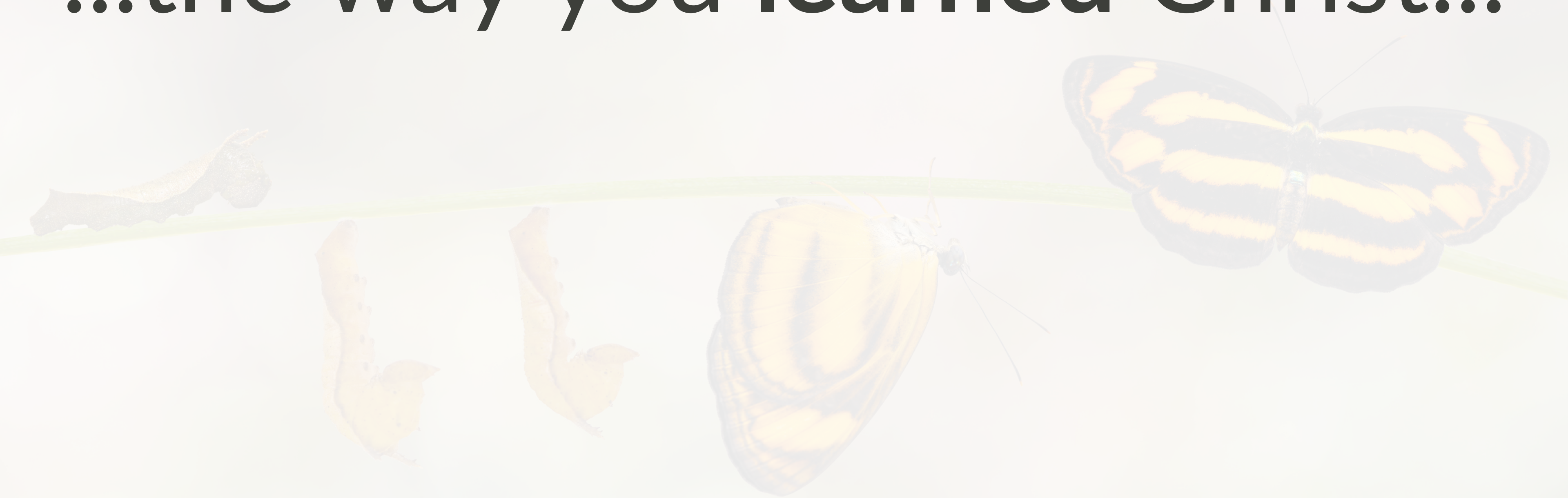


Can You Really Change?

Ephesians 4:20-21

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“...the way you learned Christ...”



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“...the way you learned Christ...”

“...assuming that you have heard about him...”

“...the way you learned Christ...”

“...assuming that you have heard about him...”

“...and were taught in him...”

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“...as the truth is in Jesus...”



The Power To Change Starts With Truth

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A faint, light-colored illustration of a butterfly life cycle is visible in the background. It shows a small egg on a leaf, a caterpillar (larva) on a leaf, a chrysalis (pupa) hanging from a leaf, and a fully formed butterfly with yellow and black wings on a flower.

Truth doesn't
originate within us.

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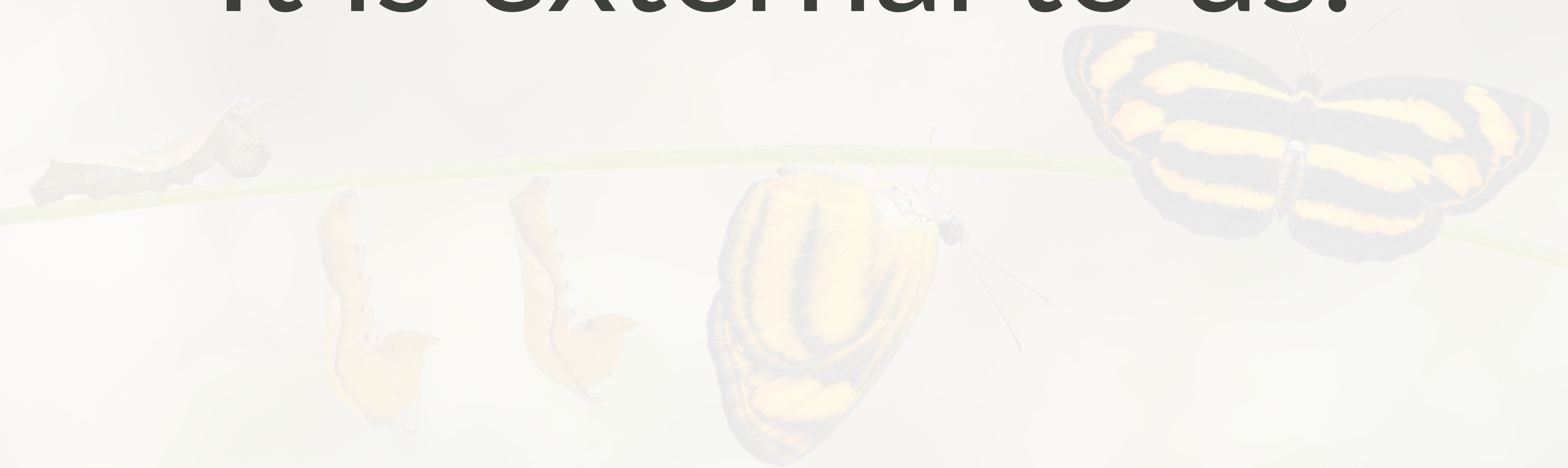
A butterfly with yellow and black wings is perched on a green stem. The butterfly is the central focus of the image, with its wings spread. The background is a soft, light green gradient.

Truth doesn't
originate within us.

Truth is something
we learn.

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It is external to us.



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It is greater than us.

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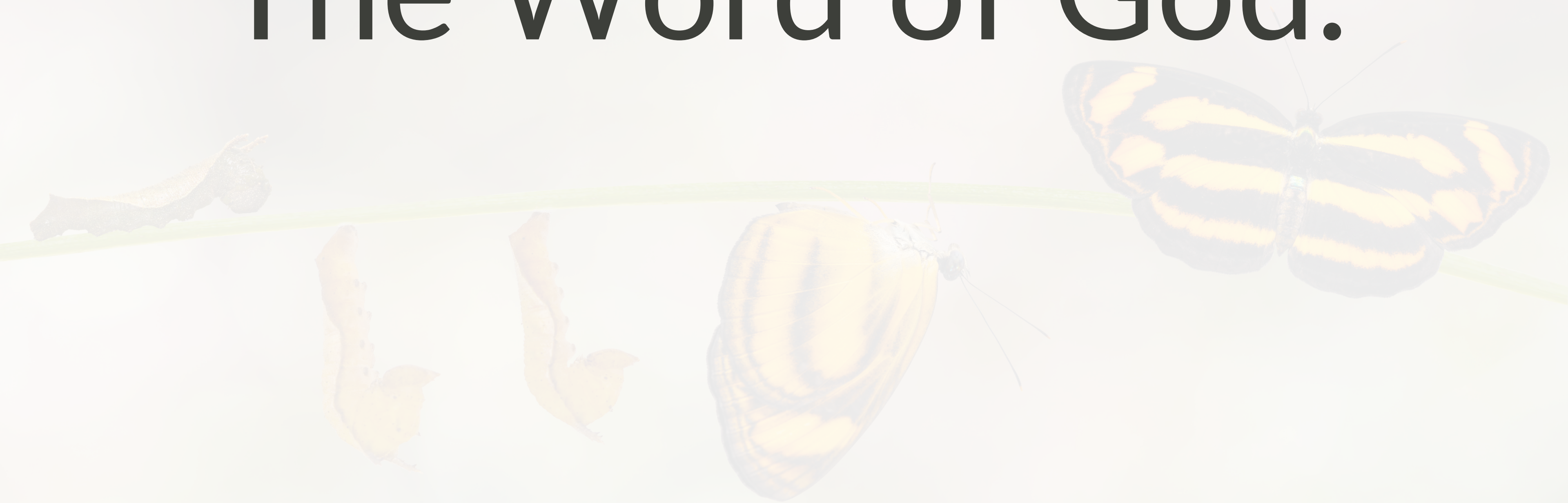
It exists before, beyond
and after us.

A butterfly with yellow and black wings is perched on a green stem with leaves. The butterfly is positioned in the upper right quadrant of the image. The background is a soft, light green gradient.

We Can Know
Truth Through

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The Word of God.



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The Word of God.

The Spirit of God.

The Word of God.

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The Creation of God.

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Wisdom.

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Questions to Consider

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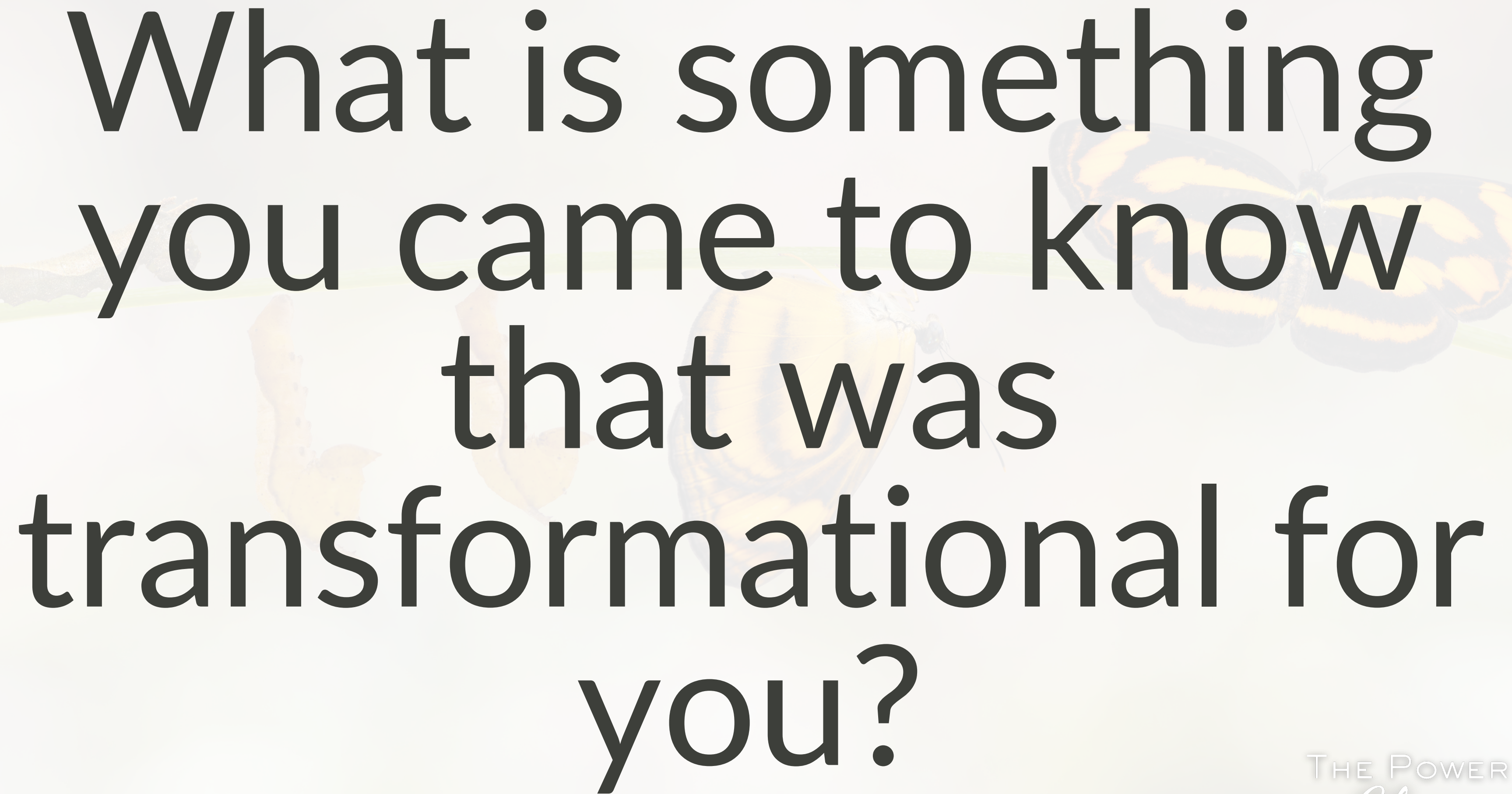


What trips you up
when you try to
change?

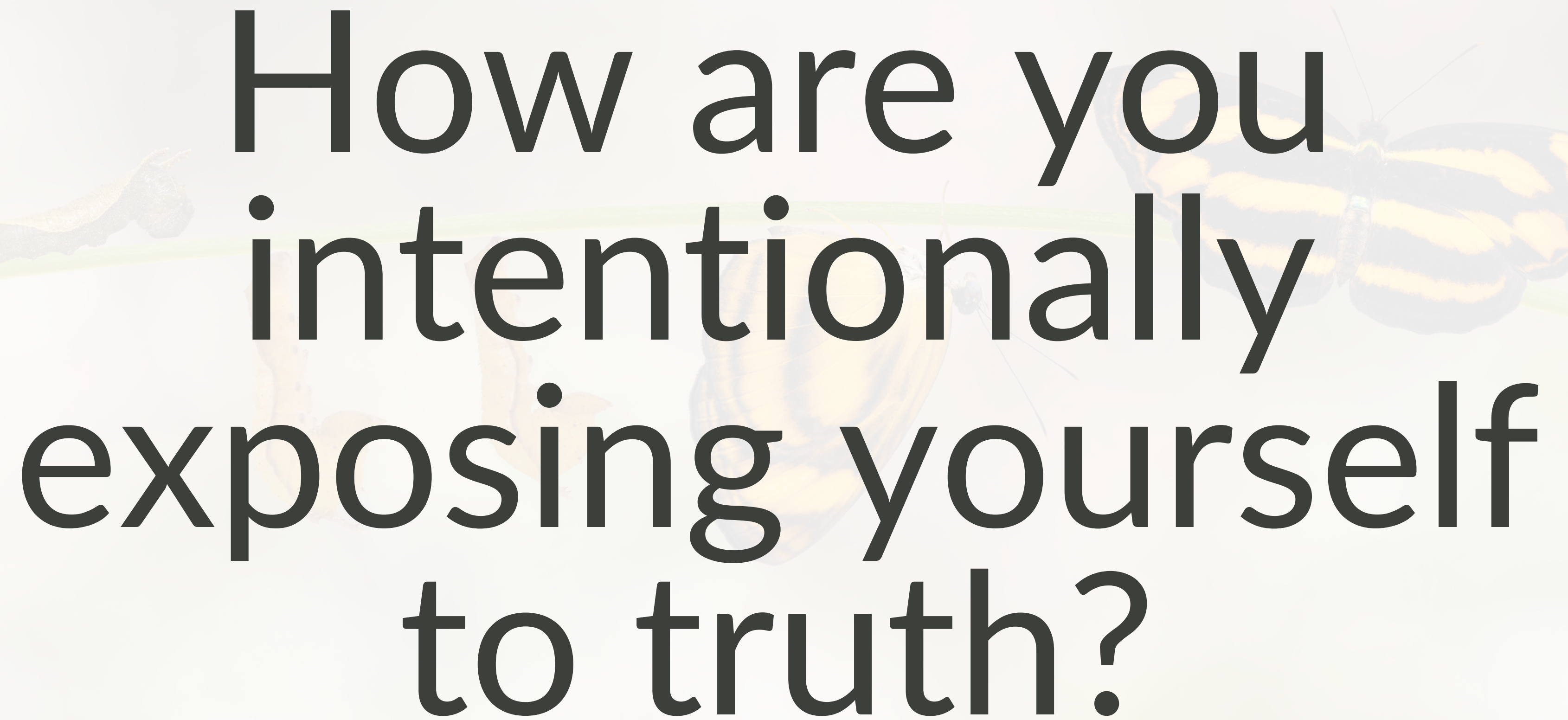
A butterfly with orange and black wings is perched on a green stem. A caterpillar is visible on the stem below the butterfly. The background is a soft, light green gradient.

What has helped
you grow?

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The background of the slide features a soft-focus image of several butterflies with yellow and black wings, perched on a green stem. The text is overlaid on this image in a large, black, sans-serif font.

What is something
you came to know
that was
transformational for
you?

A butterfly with yellow and black stripes on its wings is perched on a green stem. A caterpillar of the same species is visible on the stem to the left. The background is a soft, light green gradient.

How are you
intentionally
exposing yourself
to truth?

