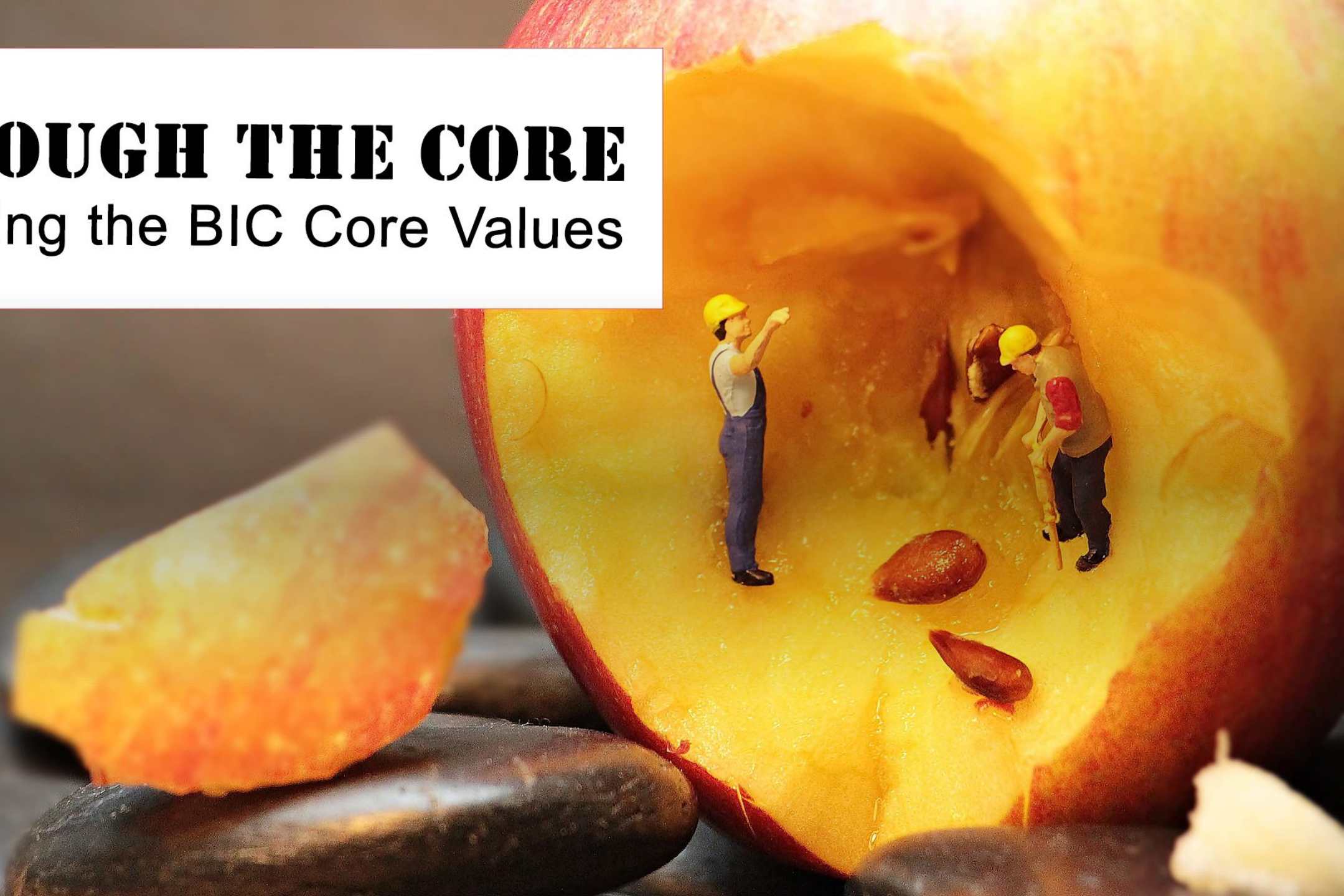


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- Group performance depends on behavior that communicates one thing: *We are safe and connected.*

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- “The brain functions that determine our character are most profoundly shaped by who we love. Changing character, as far as the brain is concerned, means attaching in new and better ways.”

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- “Is salvation itself a new and active attachment with God that forms and transforms our identities?”

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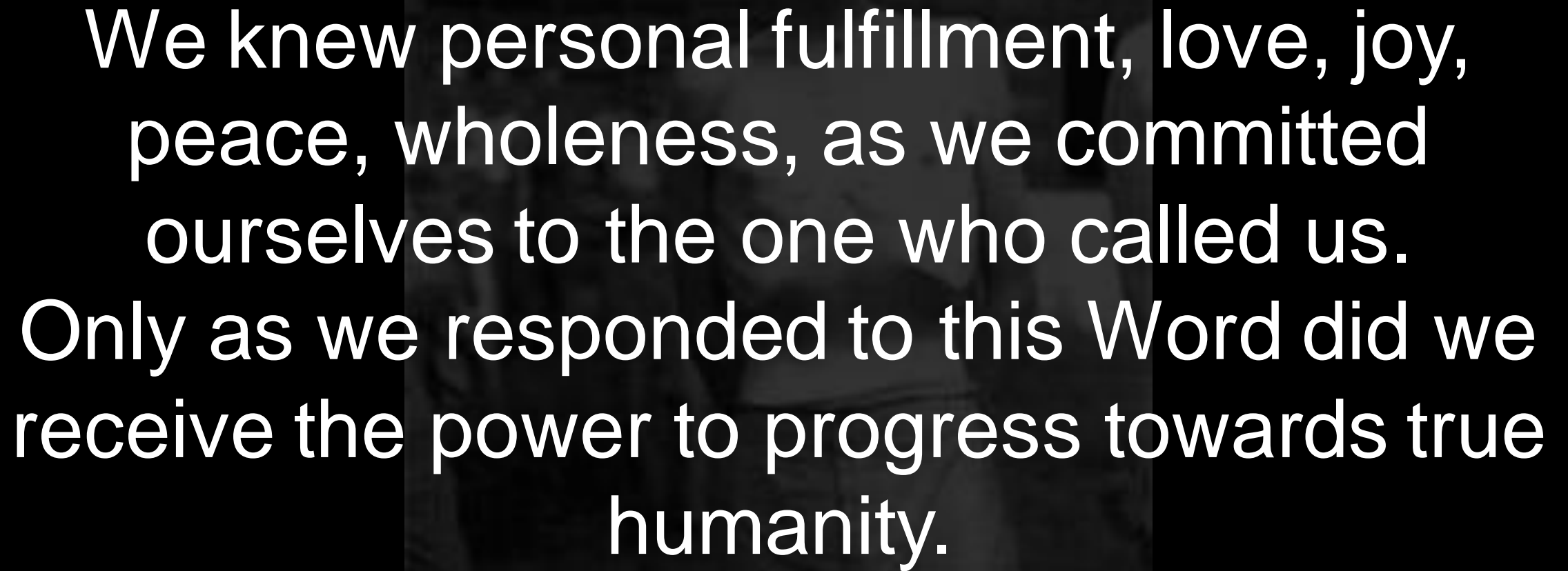
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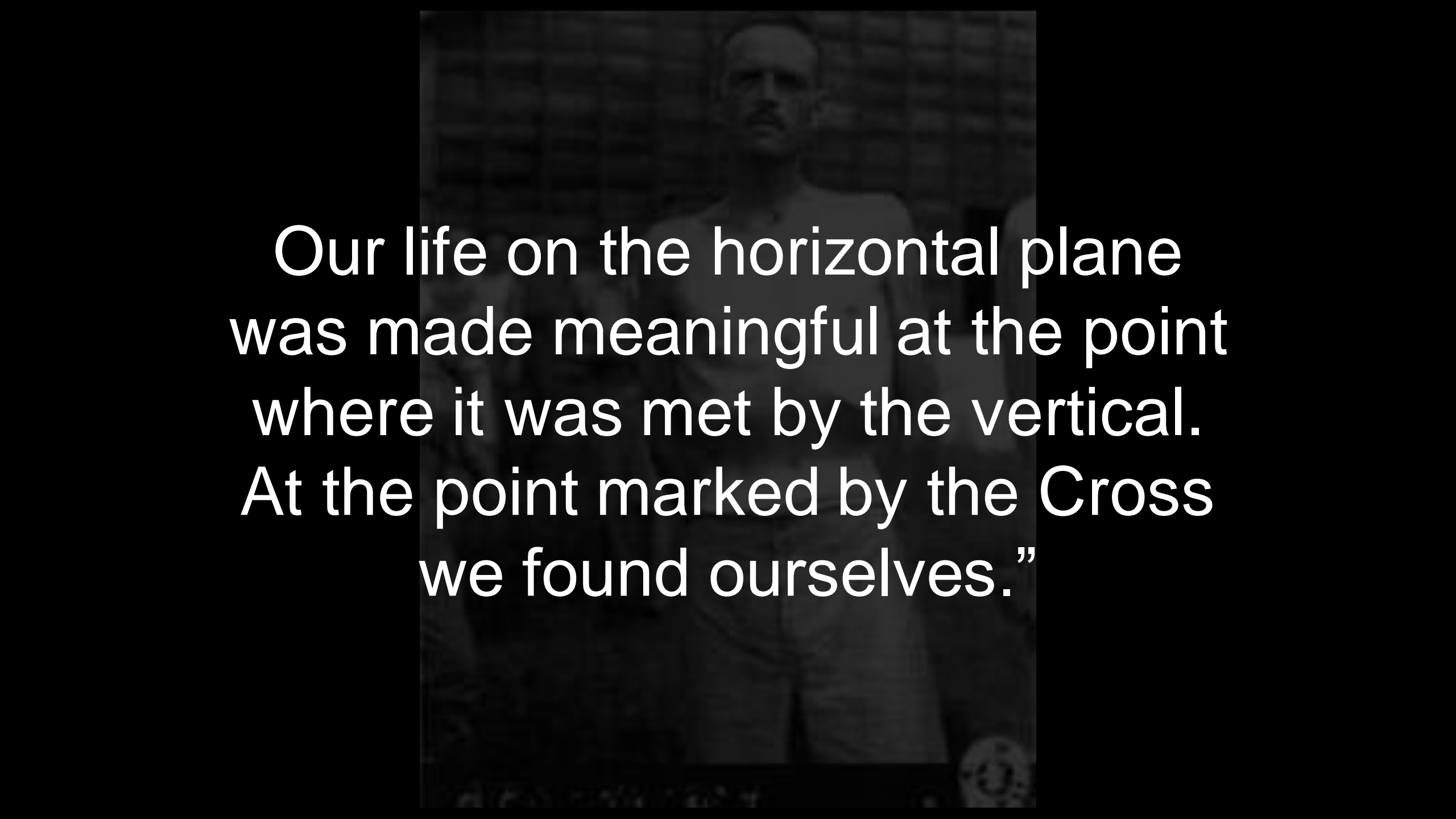


“The wind of the spirit had blown upon us;
we could not prove how or whence it had
come.

But our experience pointed to a source
beyond ourselves.

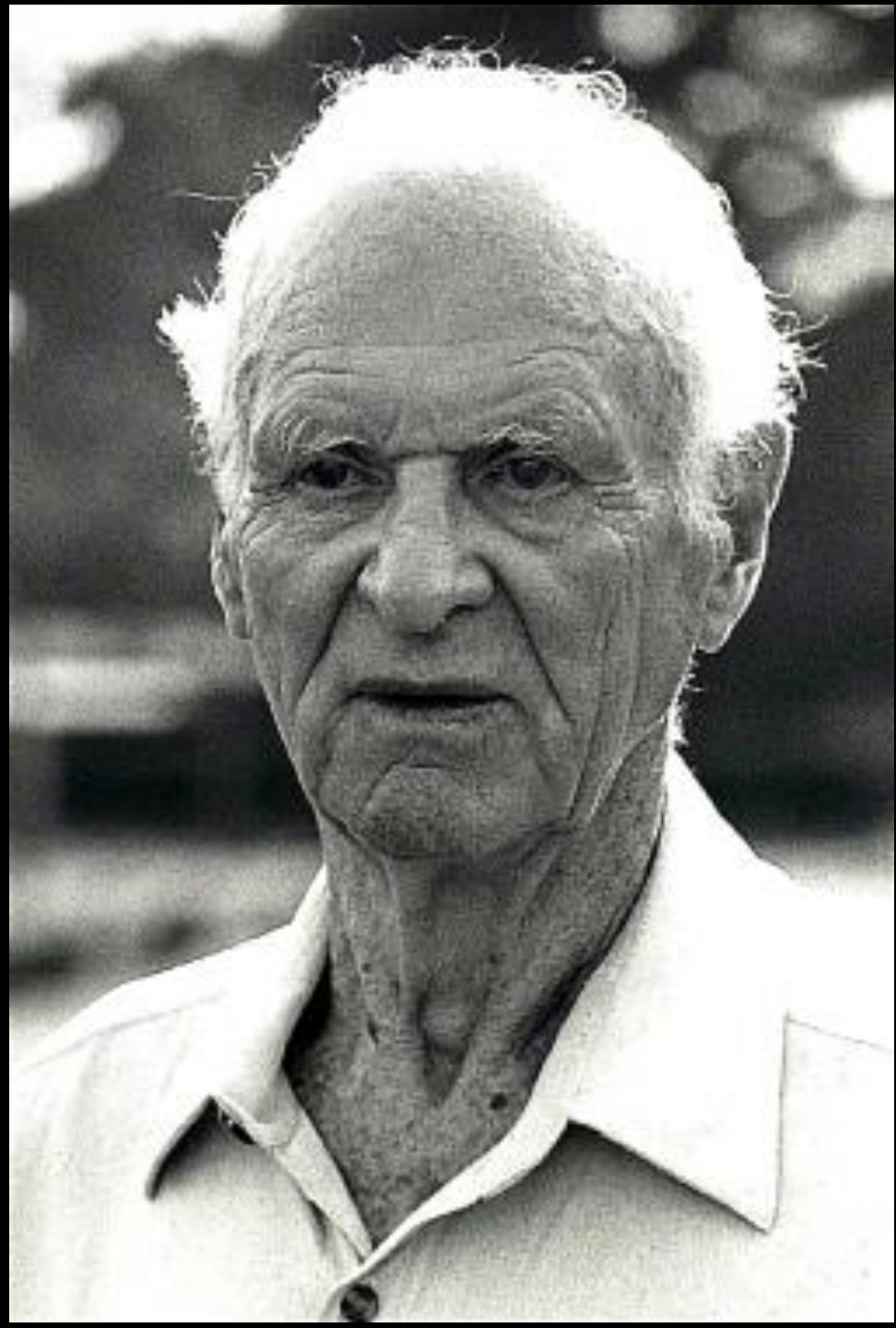


We knew personal fulfillment, love, joy,
peace, wholeness, as we committed
ourselves to the one who called us.
Only as we responded to this Word did we
receive the power to progress towards true
humanity.



Our life on the horizontal plane
was made meaningful at the point
where it was met by the vertical.
At the point marked by the Cross
we found ourselves.”





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3. Practice

"If you want to have an attachment to God you are going to have to practice it with people." - Jim Wilder

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4. Next Steps

May 7: post-service lunch

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