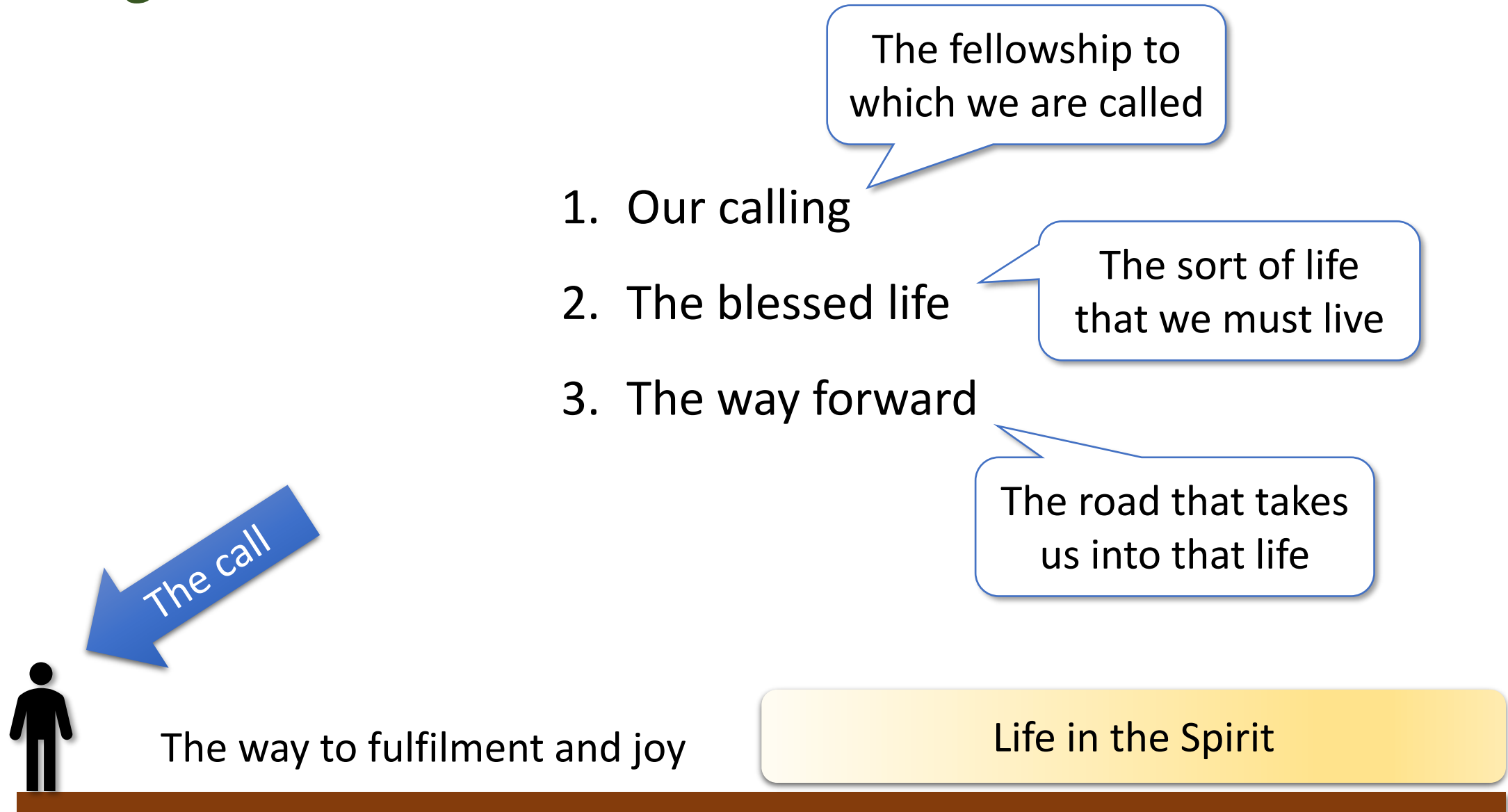
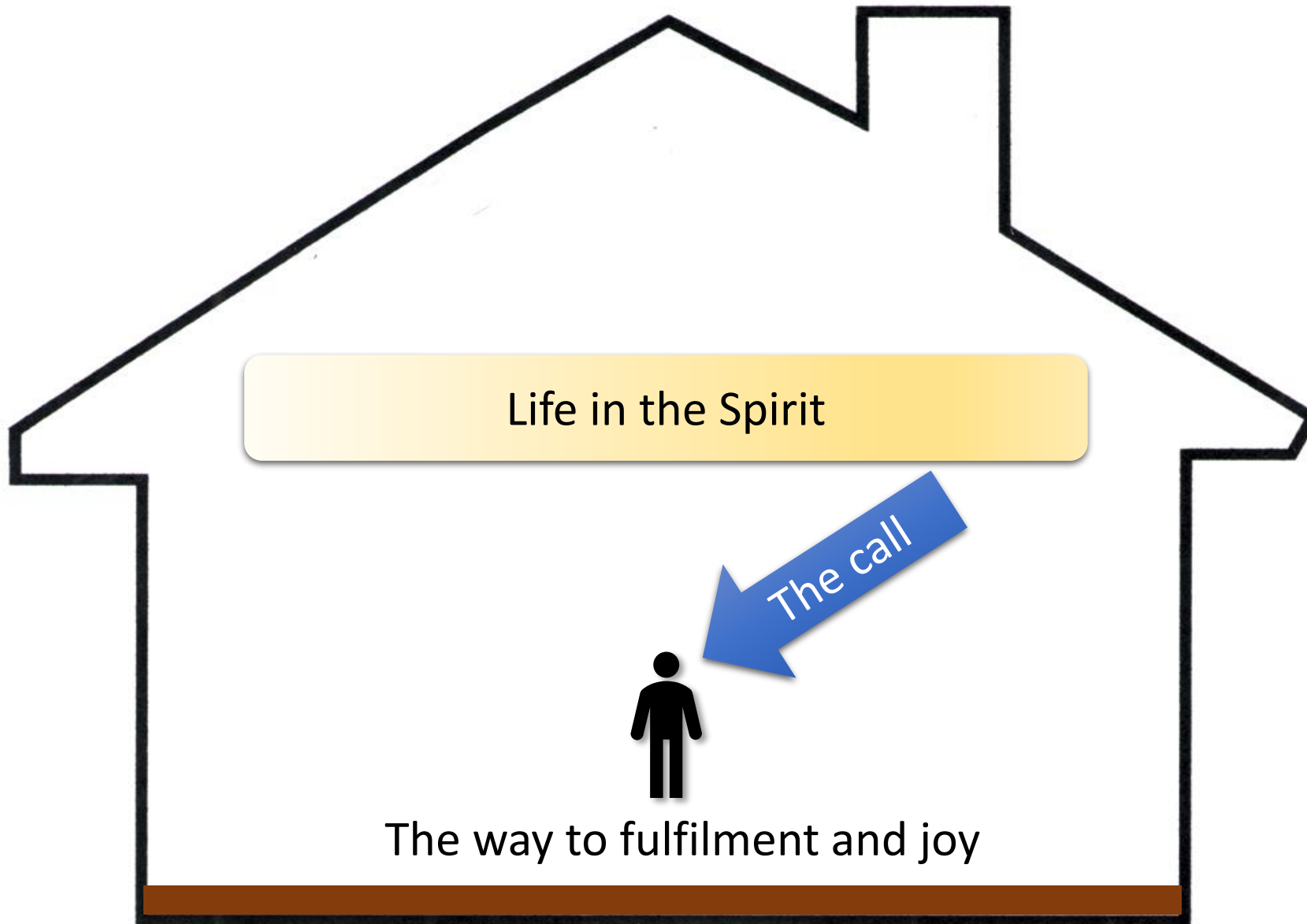


Homegrown
(in both cases)

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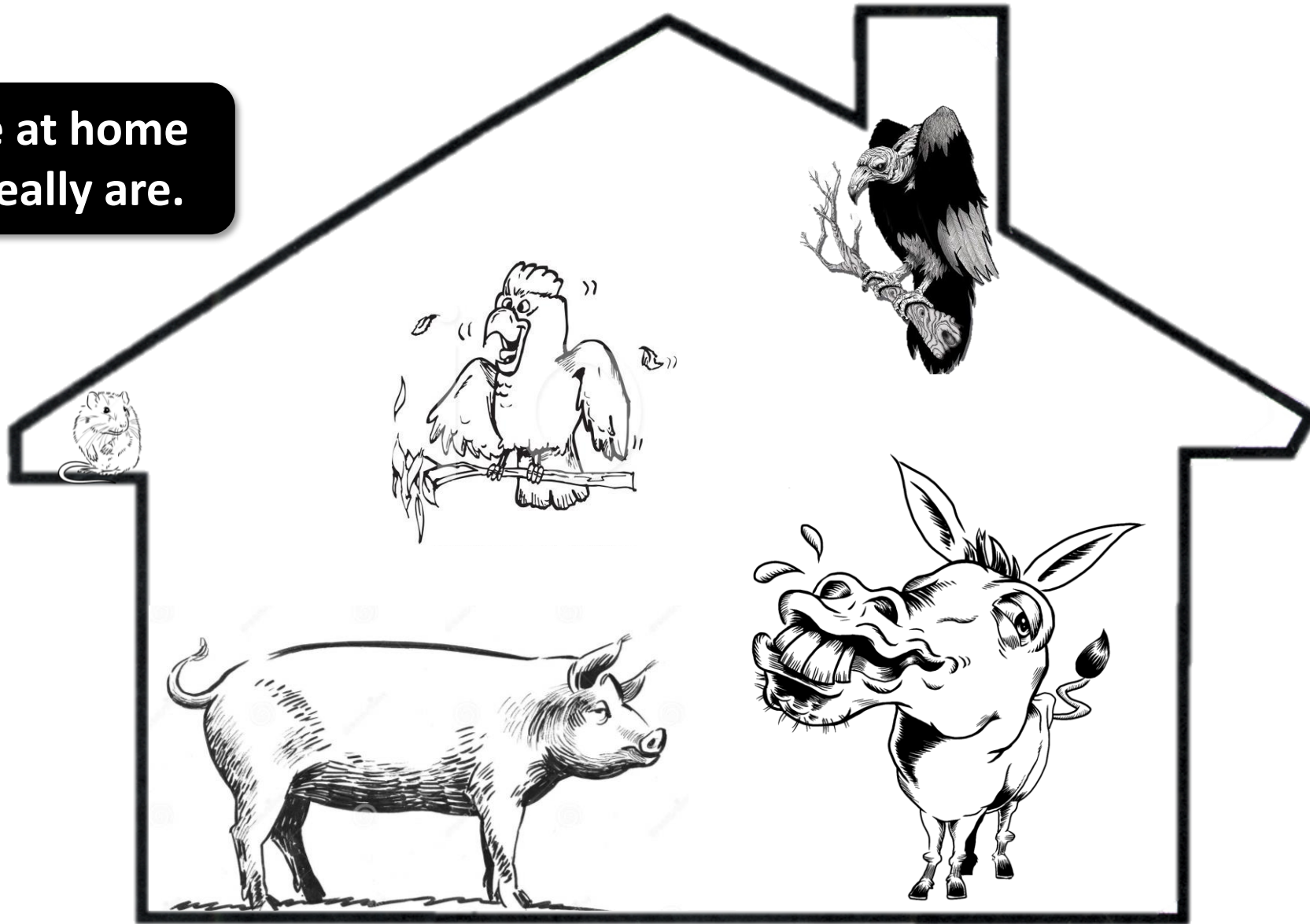


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What we are at home
is what we really are.



Homegrown

**What we are at home
is what we really are.**

**Therefore, learning to
live in the Spirit at home
is essential for US ALL.**



Our calling

Reading: **1 Corinthians 1:4-9**

I thank my God always concerning you
for **the grace of God**
which was given to you by Christ Jesus...
...who will also strengthen you to the end,
that you may be **blameless**
in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ

**God is faithful,
by whom you were called
into the fellowship of His Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord.**

} When were you called?

Our calling

God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

And writing to the believers in Colossae... (2:6-7)

To take to oneself

As you received **Christ Jesus the Lord**,
so walk in Him,

- **rooted** and
- **built up** in Him and
- **established** in the faith,
just as you were taught,
- **abounding in thanksgiving.**

} This has happened
} This is happening

(Colossians 2:6-7)



Our calling

God is faithful, by whom you were called
into the fellowship of His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

(1 Corinthians 1:9)

Rooted in Him...



Our calling

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(1 Corinthians 1:9)

Being **built up** in Him...



Our calling

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Being **established** in the faith...



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Abounding in **thanksgiving** ...

Let us come before His presence **with thanksgiving**;
Let us shout joyfully to Him with psalms. (Psalm 95:2)

Oh, **give thanks** to the LORD, for He is good!
For His mercy endures forever. (Psalm 107:1)

Oh, that men would **give thanks** to the LORD
for His goodness... (Psalm 107:8)

Enter into His gates **with thanksgiving**,
And into His courts with praise.
Be thankful to Him, and bless His name. (Psalm 100:4)

Sing to the LORD **with thanksgiving**;
Sing praises on the harp to our God... (Psalm 147:7)

I will sacrifice to You with **the voice of thanksgiving**;
I will pay what I have vowed.... (Jonah 2:9)

Continue earnestly in prayer, being vigilant
in it **with thanksgiving**... (Colossians 4:2)

In everything by prayer and supplication,
with thanksgiving, let your requests
be made known to God... (Philippians 4:6)

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Our calling...is to a life lived in fellowship...



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(Colossians 2:6-7)

Homegrown

1. Our calling

The fellowship to which we are called

2. The blessed life

The sort of life that we must live

3. The way forward

The road that takes us into that life



The call

The way to fulfilment and joy

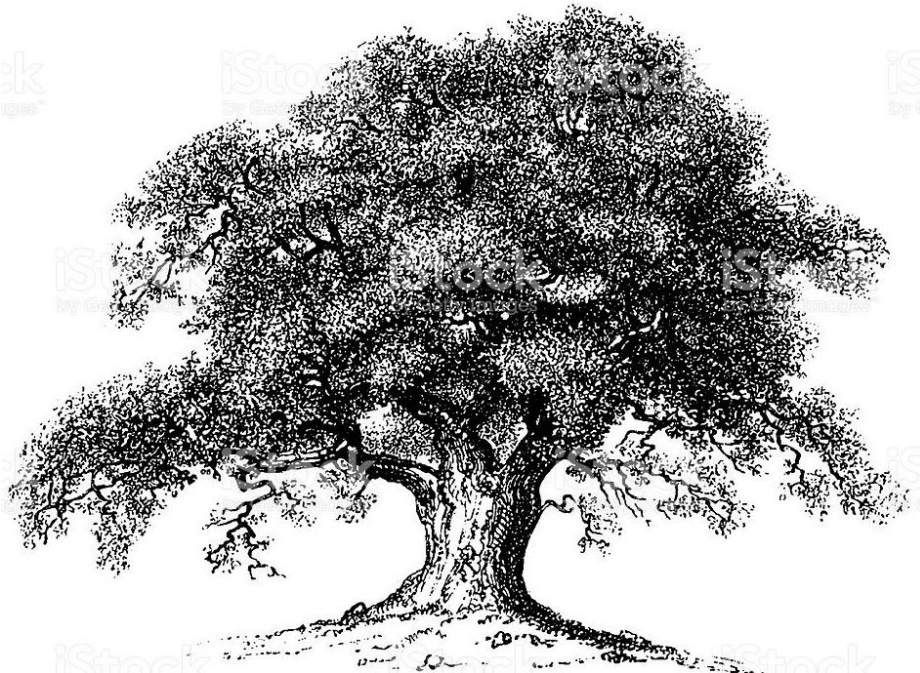
Life in the Spirit

The blessed life

A life being lived
in the Spirit

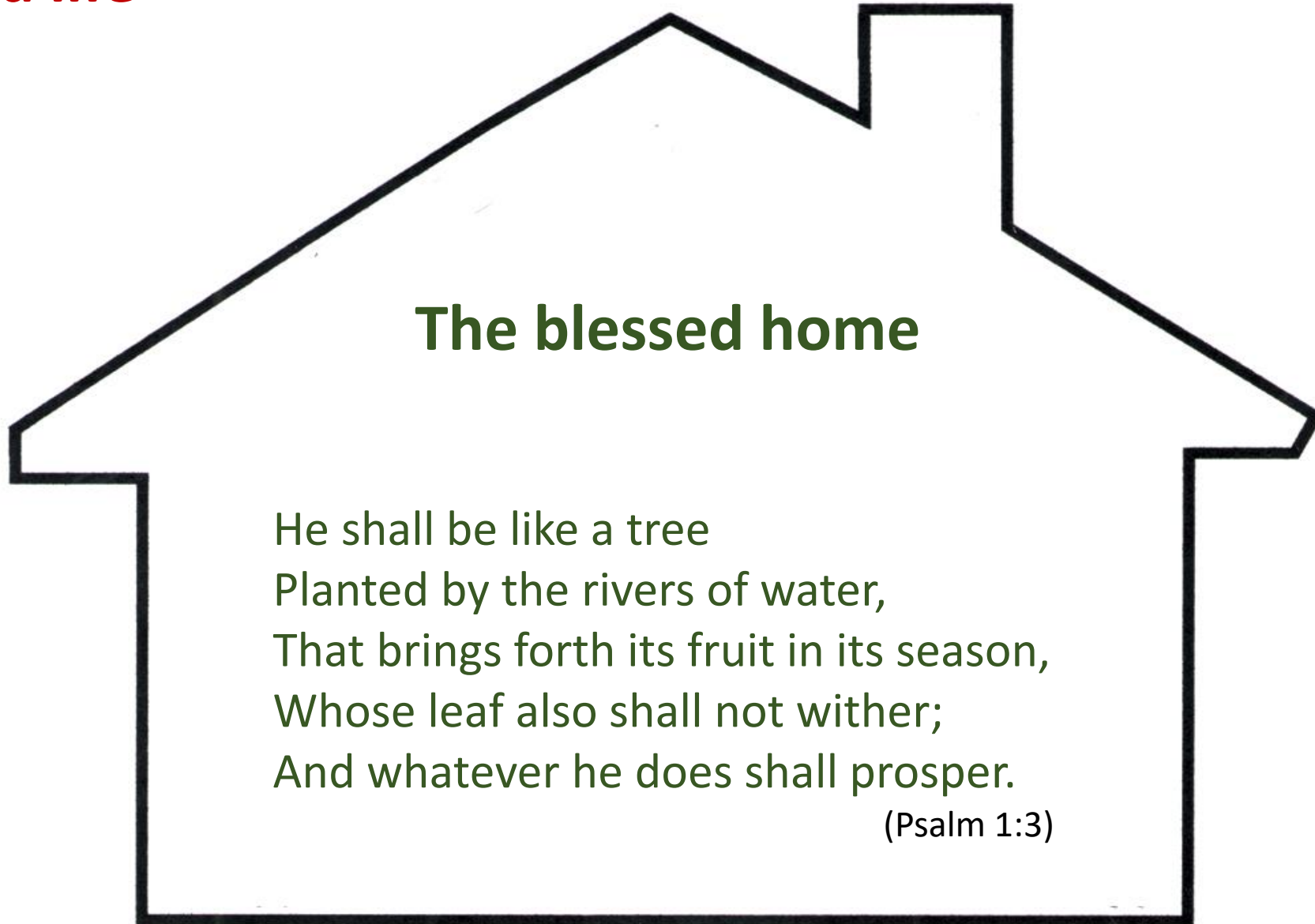
He shall be like a tree
Planted by the rivers of water,
That brings forth its fruit in its season,
Whose leaf also shall not wither;
And whatever he does shall prosper.

(Psalm 1:3)



Behold! My Servant whom I uphold...
He will not grow faint nor be discouraged...
(Isaiah 42:1,4)

The blessed life

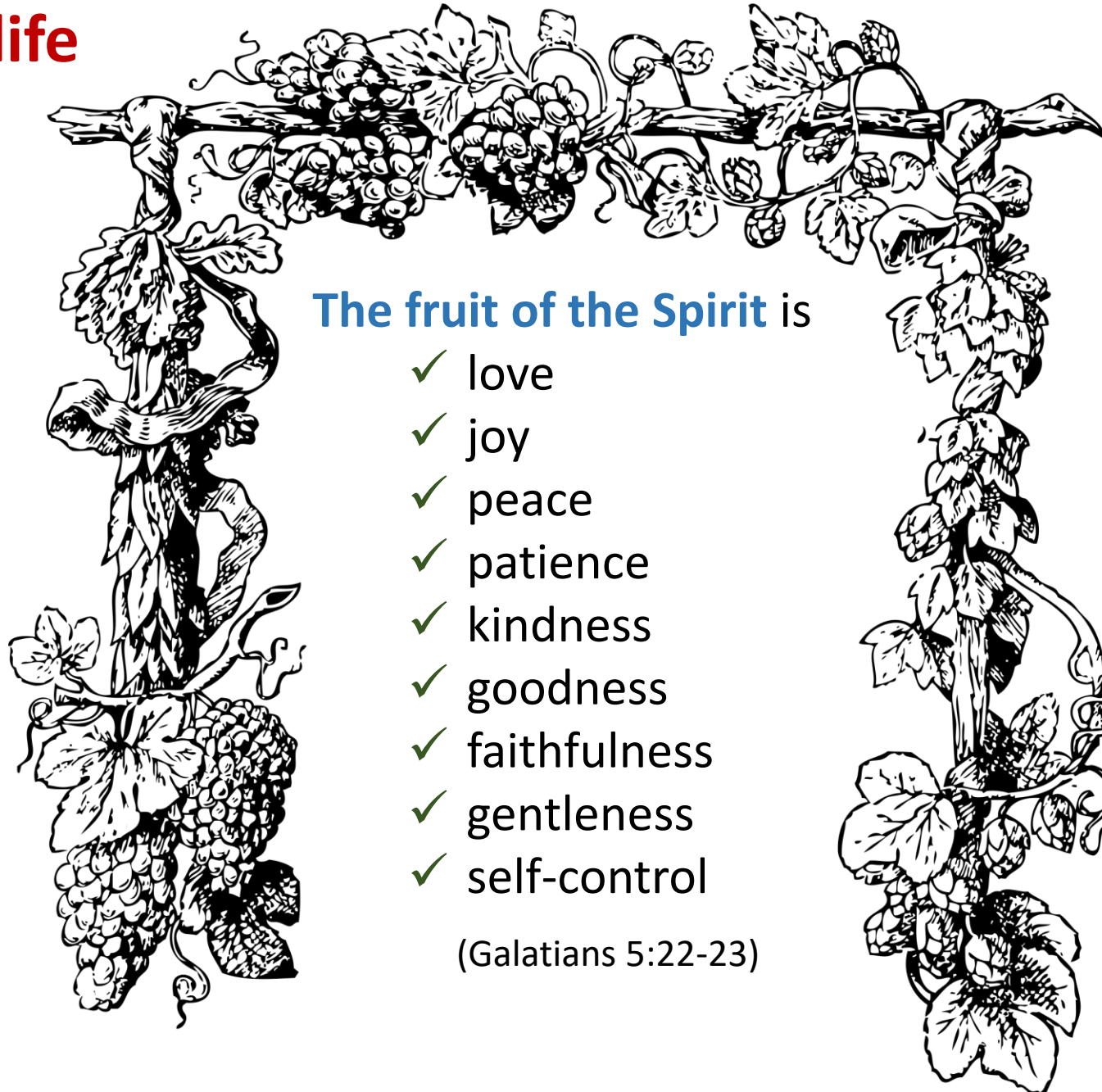


The blessed home

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And whatever he does shall prosper.

(Psalm 1:3)

The blessed life



The fruit of the Spirit is

- ✓ love
- ✓ joy
- ✓ peace
- ✓ patience
- ✓ kindness
- ✓ goodness
- ✓ faithfulness
- ✓ gentleness
- ✓ self-control

(Galatians 5:22-23)

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The way forward

- A. Desire**
- B. Discipline**
- C. Determination**

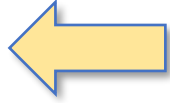


The way to fulfilment and joy

Life in the Spirit

The way forward

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DAVID:

One thing I have desired of the LORD,
That will I seek:
That I may dwell in the house of the LORD
All the days of my life,
To gaze upon the beauty of the LORD,
And to inquire in His temple.

(Psalms 27:4)

Not that I have already obtained this
or am already perfect...
(Philippians 3:12)

PAUL:

One thing I do:
forgetting what lies behind and
straining forward to what lies ahead,
I press on toward the goal
for the prize of the upward call of God
in Christ Jesus.

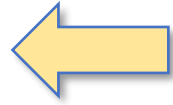
(Philippians 3:13-14)

The way forward

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B. Discipline

C. Determination



Your name here...

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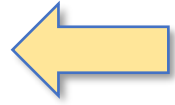
One thing -----

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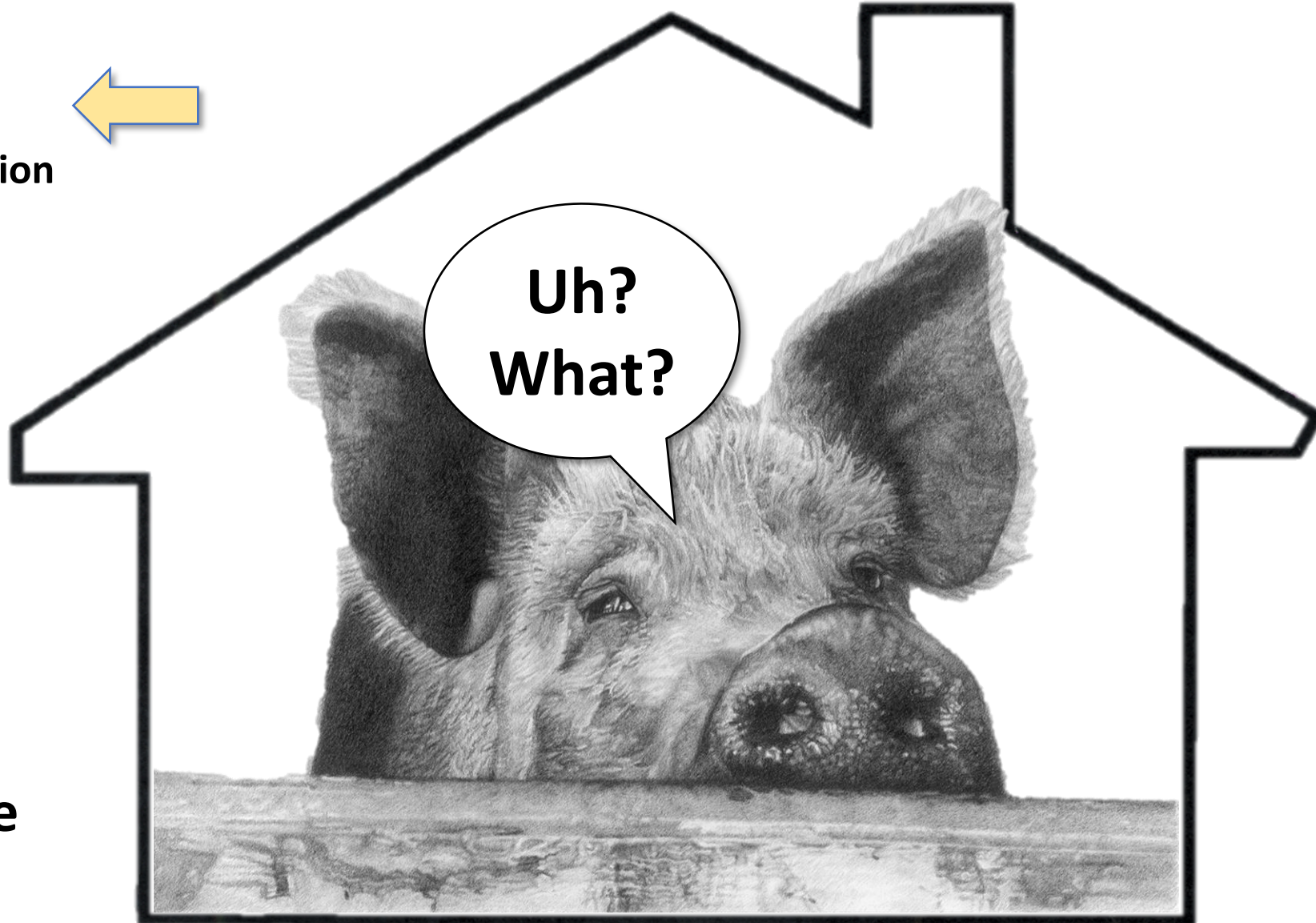
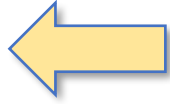


or **self-control** – where **you** make the choices



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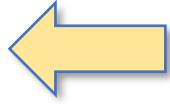


**Discipline
here**

**Discipline
there**

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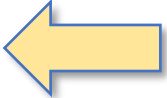
Some useful guidelines

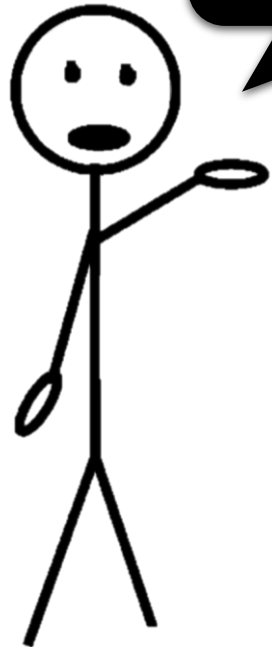
- ✓ Today is your only opportunity
- ✓ Start well to finish well
- ✓ Choices are seeds
- ✓ Expect quiet grace
- ✓ Get up off the mat without delay
- ✓ Lie down in peace

The way forward

A. Desire

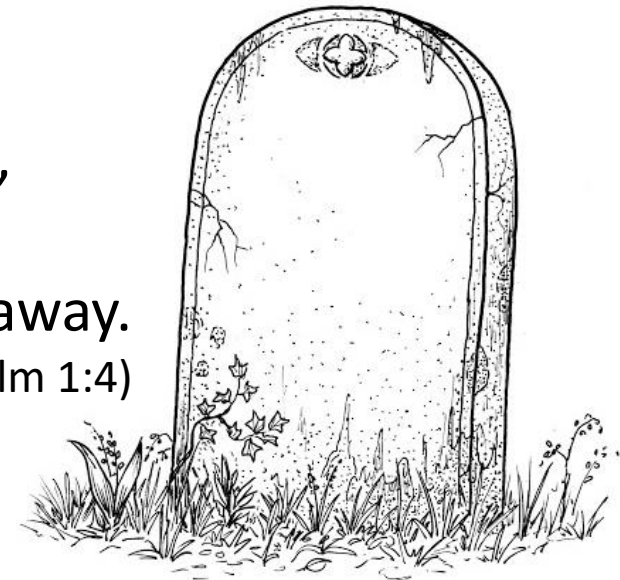
B. Discipline

C. Determination  or **perseverance** – in which the heart is tested and purified



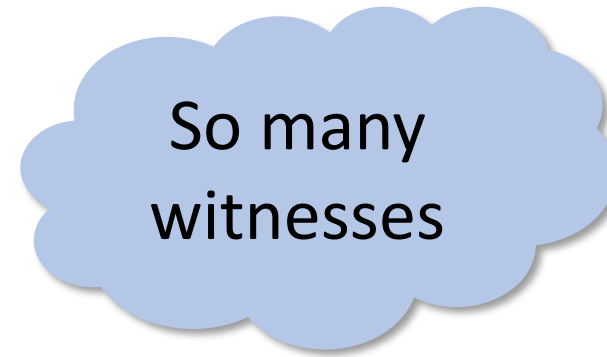
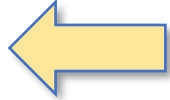
I tried for a week!
It doesn't work.

The ungodly are not so,
but are like the chaff
which the wind drives away.
(Psalm 1:4)



The way forward

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- B. Discipline
- C. Determination



...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.

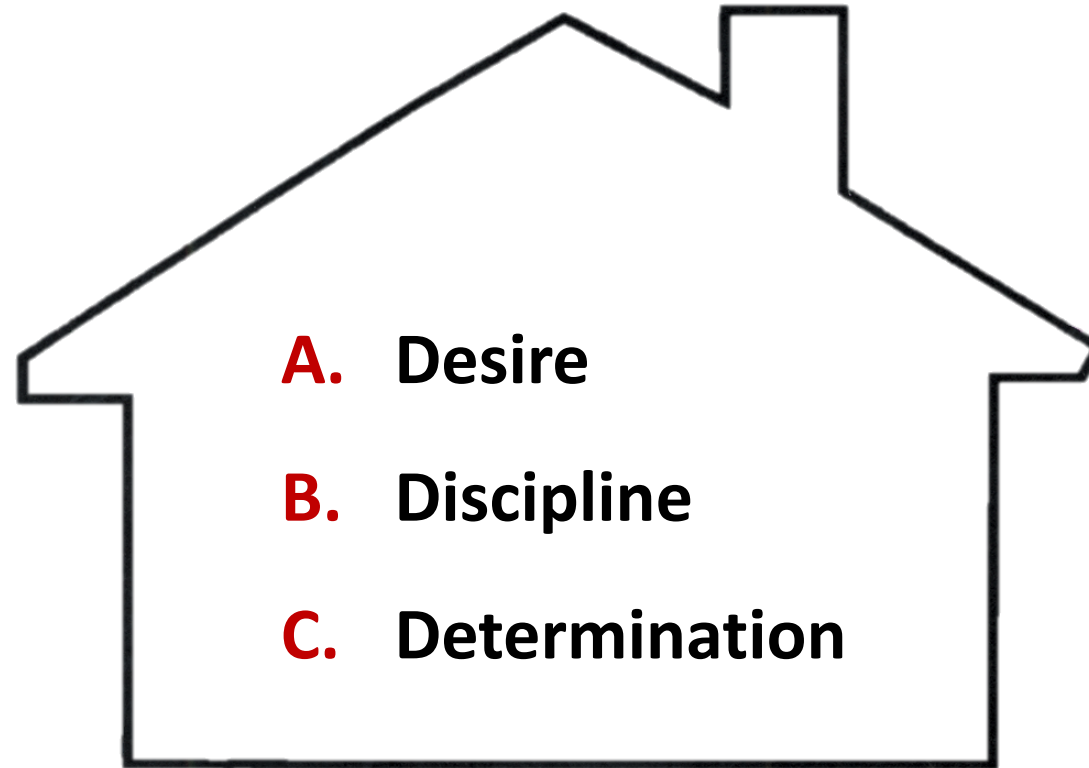
(Hebrews 12:1-2)

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