
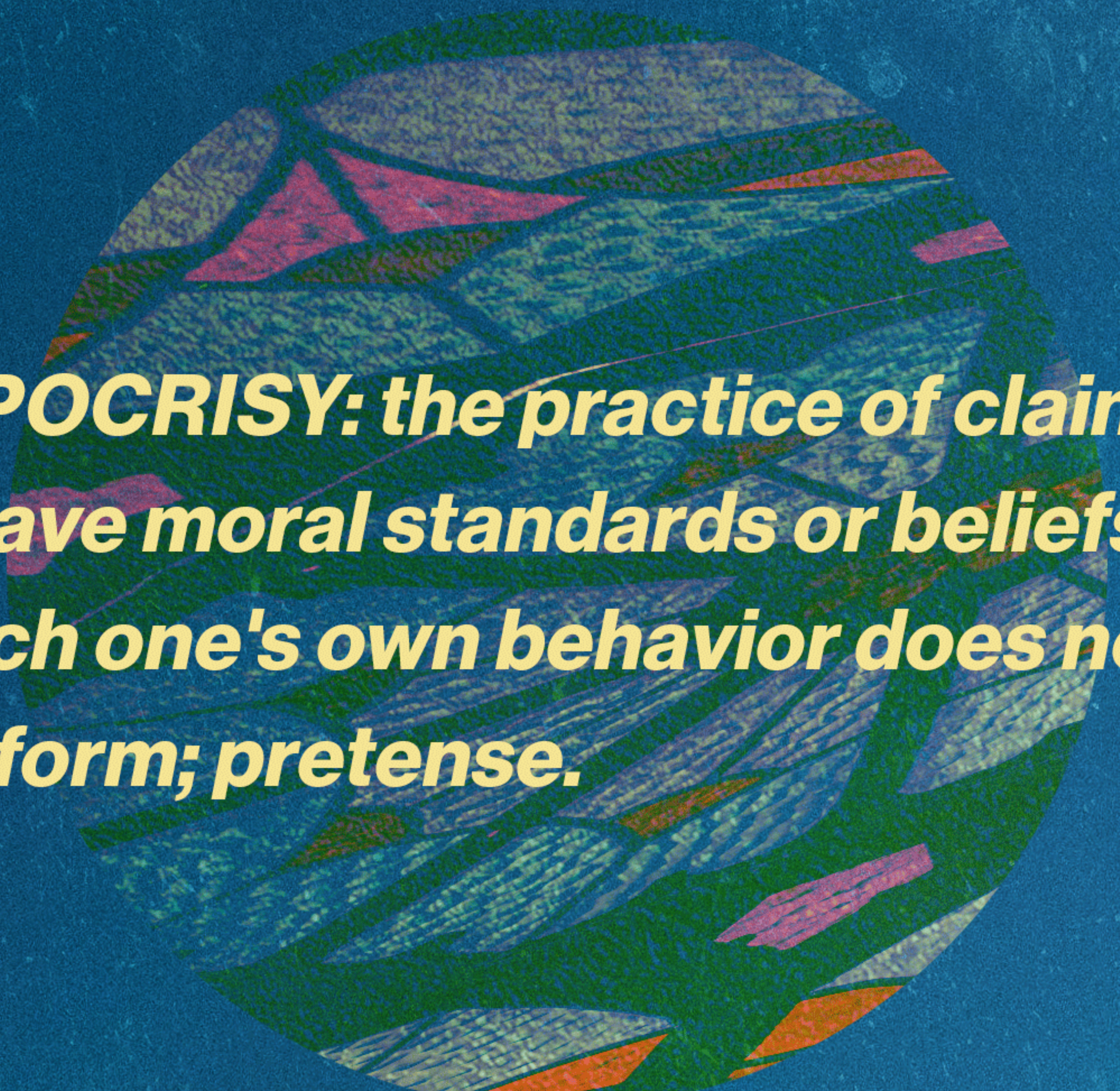


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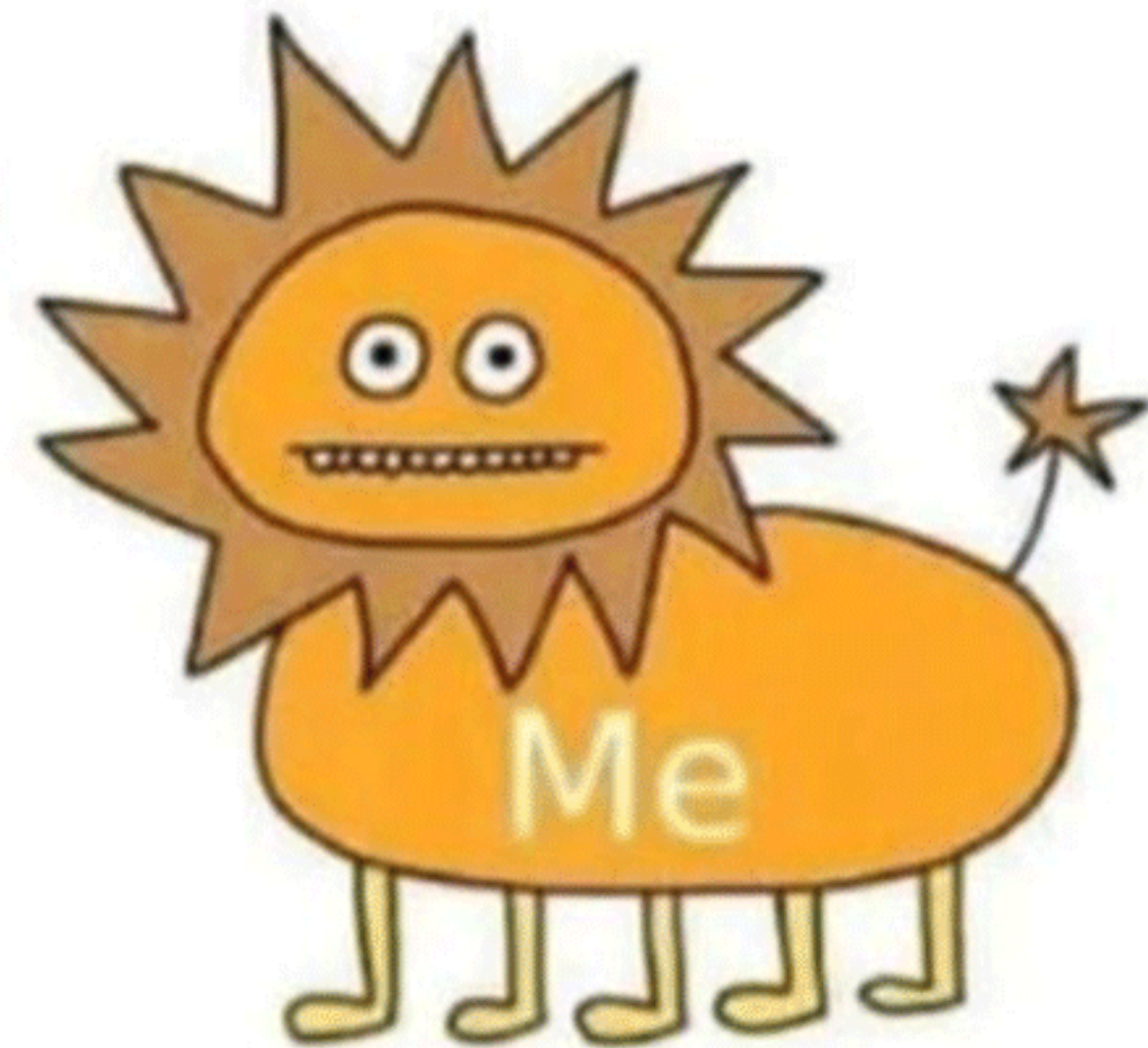


***The Challenge – To Be Authentic
Before God and Others in a Way That
Brings Honor to God***



HYPOCRISY: the practice of claiming to have moral standards or beliefs to which one's own behavior does not conform; pretense.

Paul: "Imitate me, as I imitate Christ."






The two reasons people practice hypocrisy:

- 1. They're trying to purposely mislead.**
- 2. They aren't able to sustain who they profess to be because unwanted things within them continue to rise to the surface.**


Both reasons indicate there is a hidden problem.



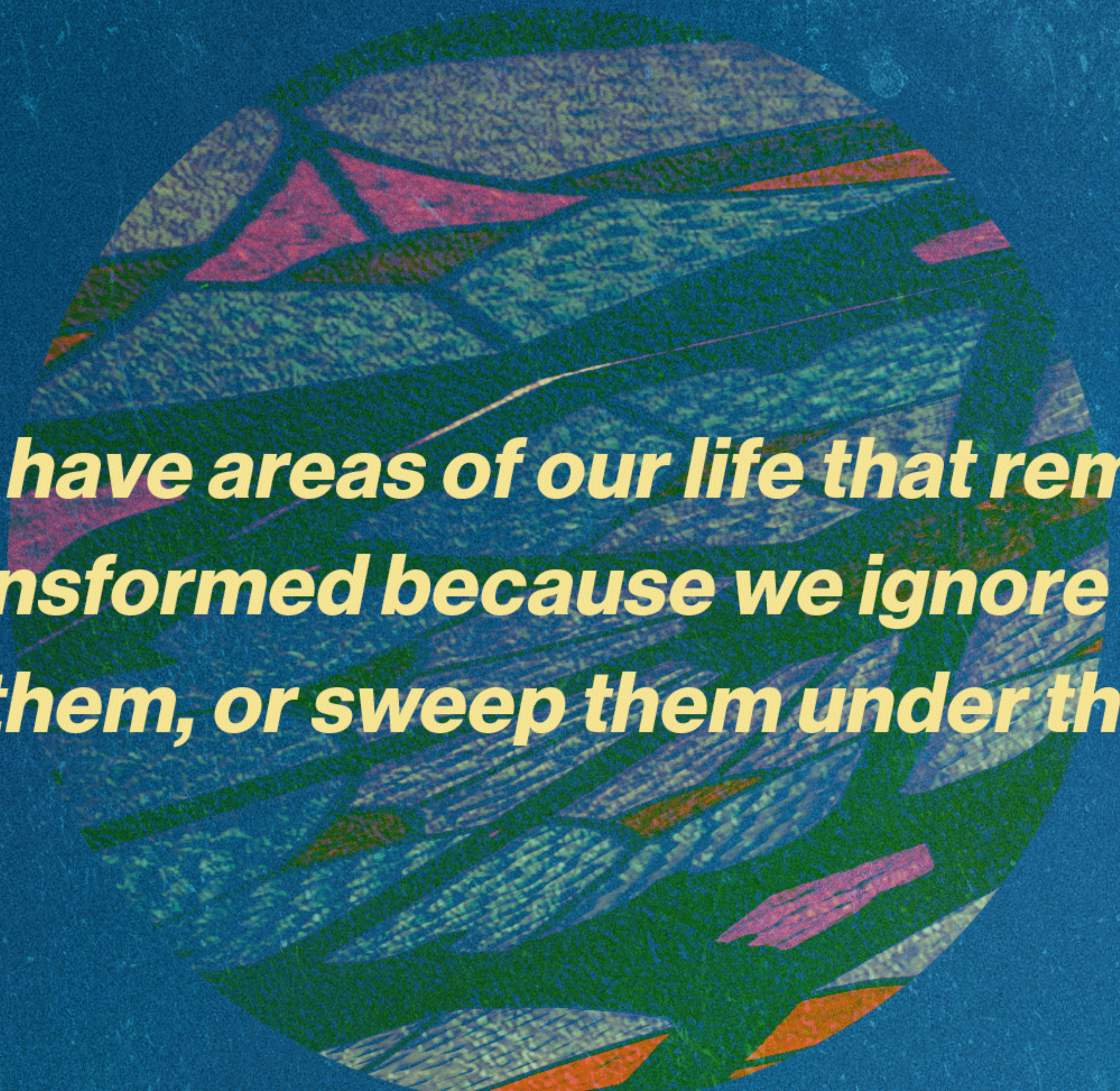
We become fixated on external preferences instead of internal devotion.



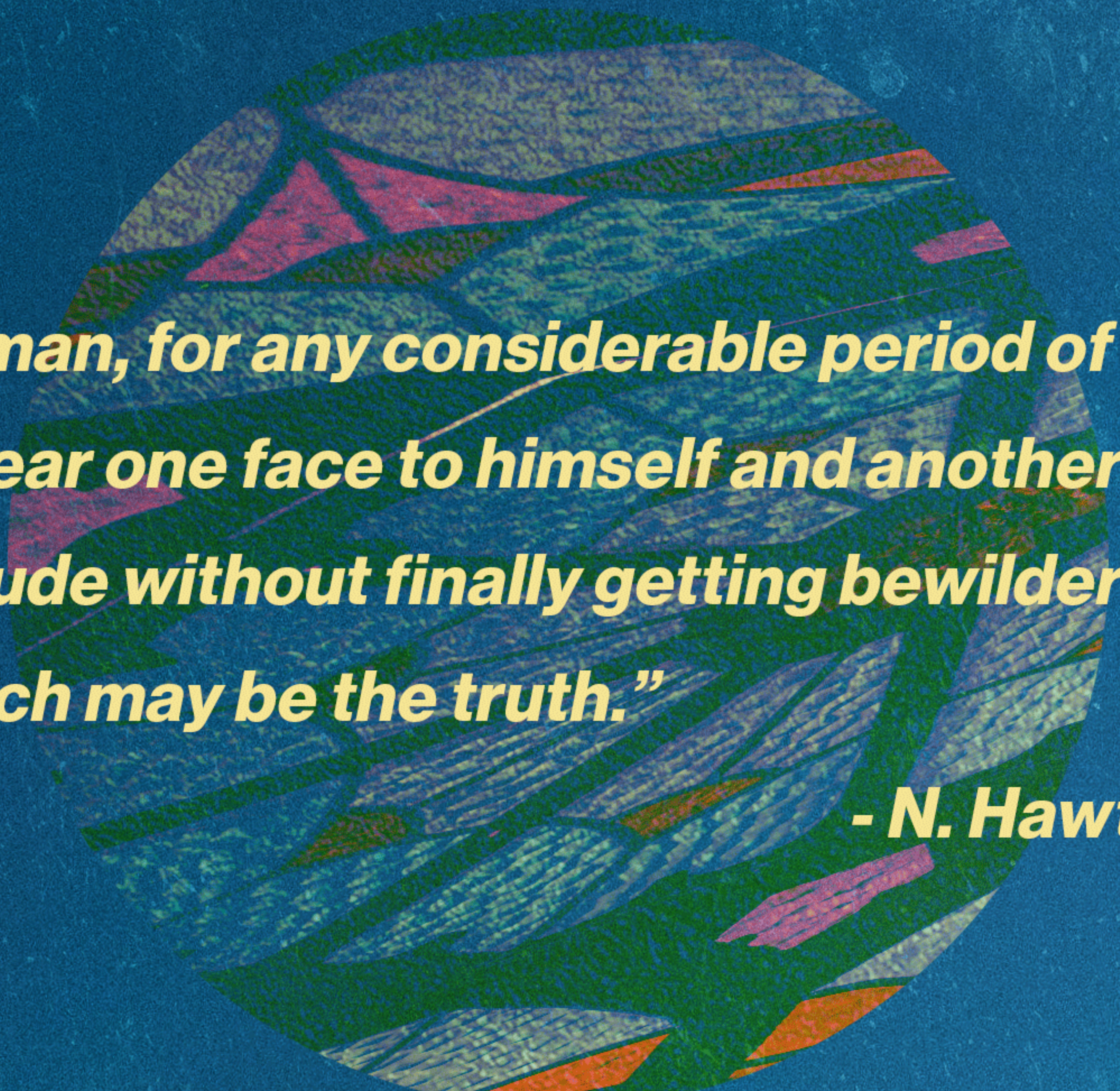
***We become fixated on commitment/tasks
instead of our heart and other people.***



***We hide our double standards with
strict rules (usually for others).***



We have areas of our life that remain untransformed because we ignore them, hide them, or sweep them under the rug.



***“No man, for any considerable period of time,
can wear one face to himself and another to the
multitude without finally getting bewildered as
to which may be the truth.”***

- N. Hawthorne