

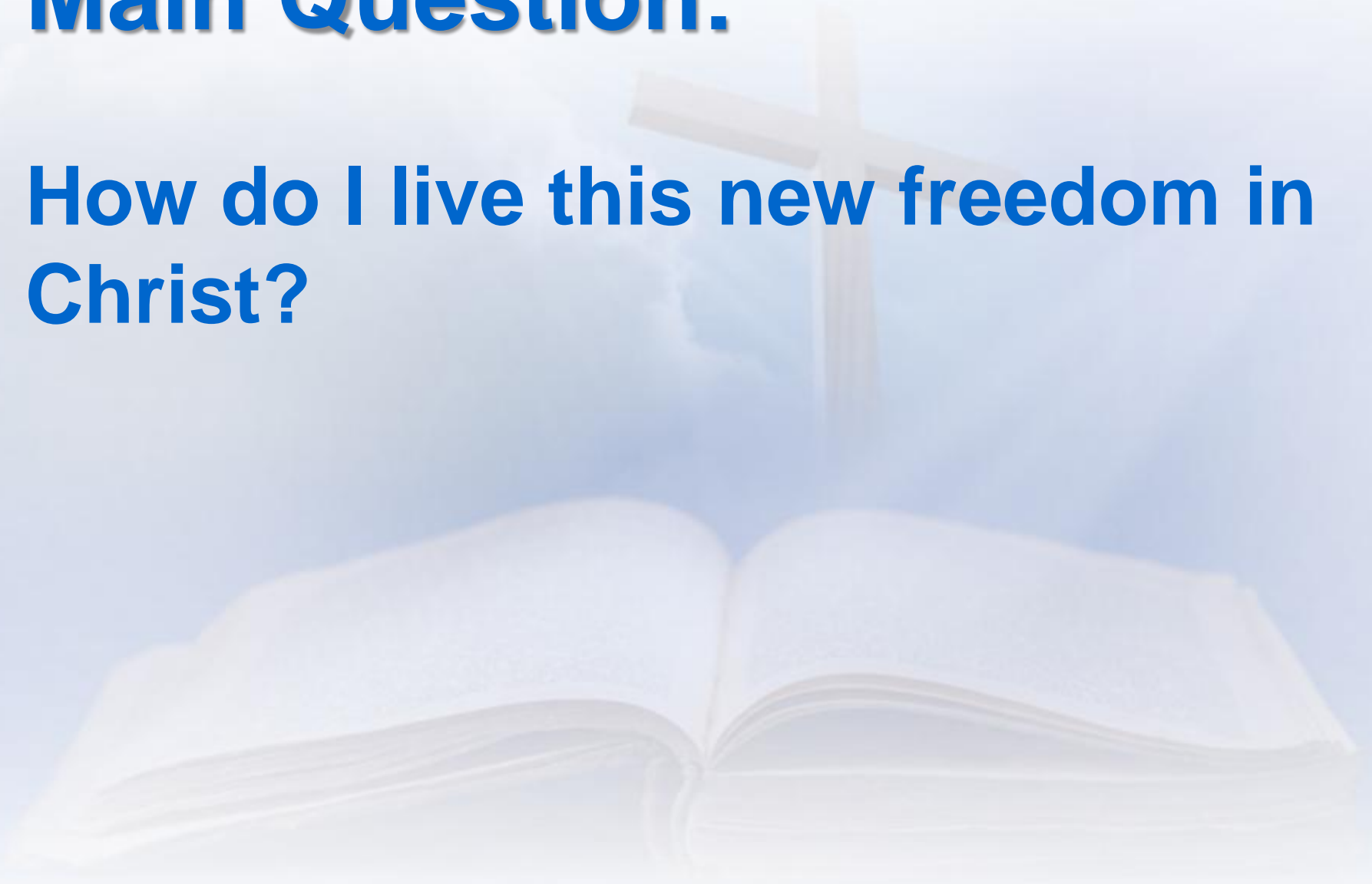
The Holy Spirit & The Christian Life

(Galatians 5:16-18)



Main Question:

How do I live this new freedom in Christ?



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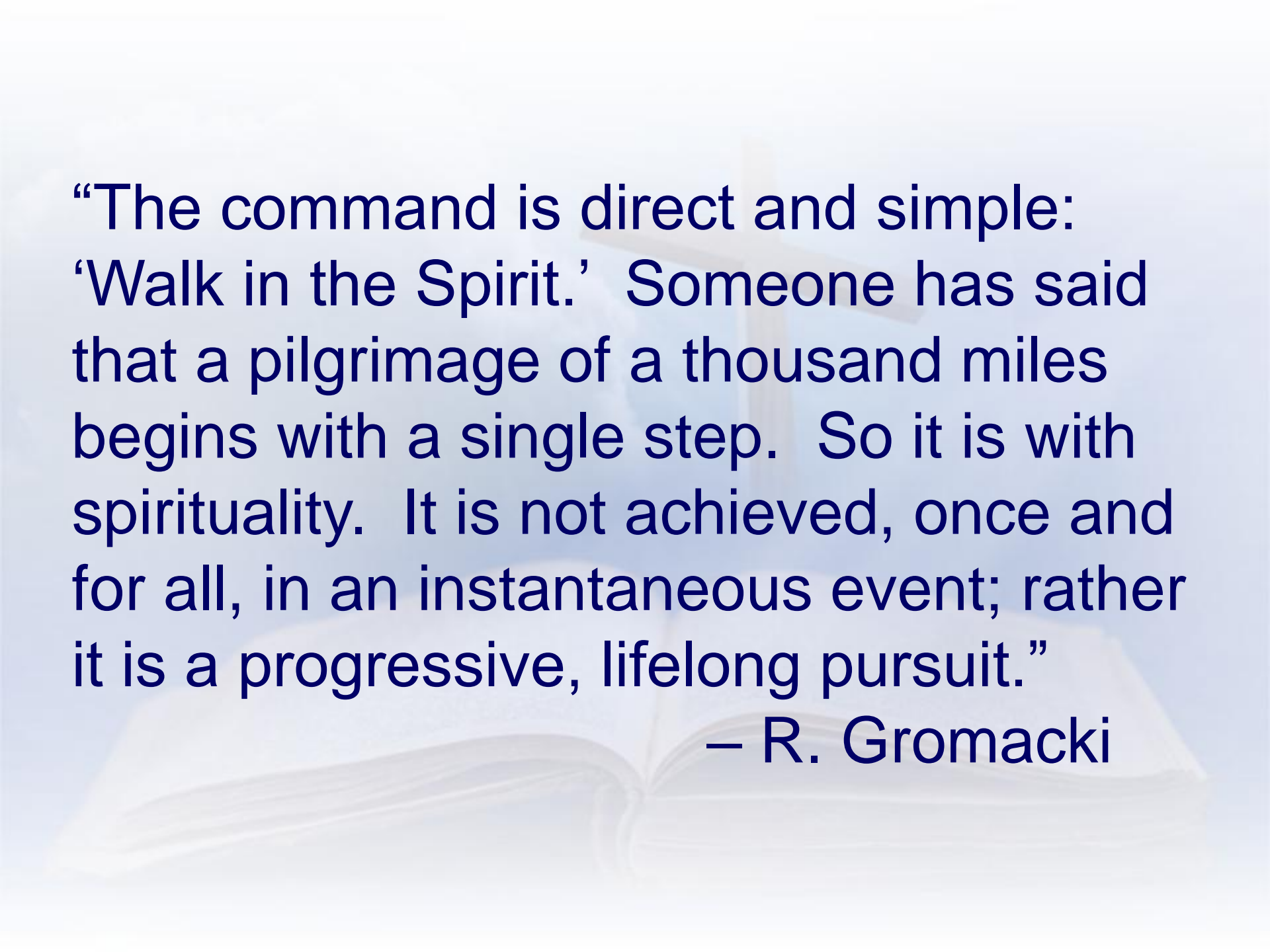


Romans 13:14

¹⁴ But put on the Lord Jesus Christ,
and make no provision for the flesh
in regard to *its* lusts.



“The life walked by the Spirit is the Christlike life, the saturation of a believer’s thoughts with the truth, love, and glory of His Lord and the desire to be like Him in every way. It is to live in continual consciousness of His presence and will, letting ‘the word of Christ richly dwell within you’ (Col. 3:16). Life walked by the Spirit is life patterned after the teaching and example of the Lord Jesus Christ.” – J. MacArthur



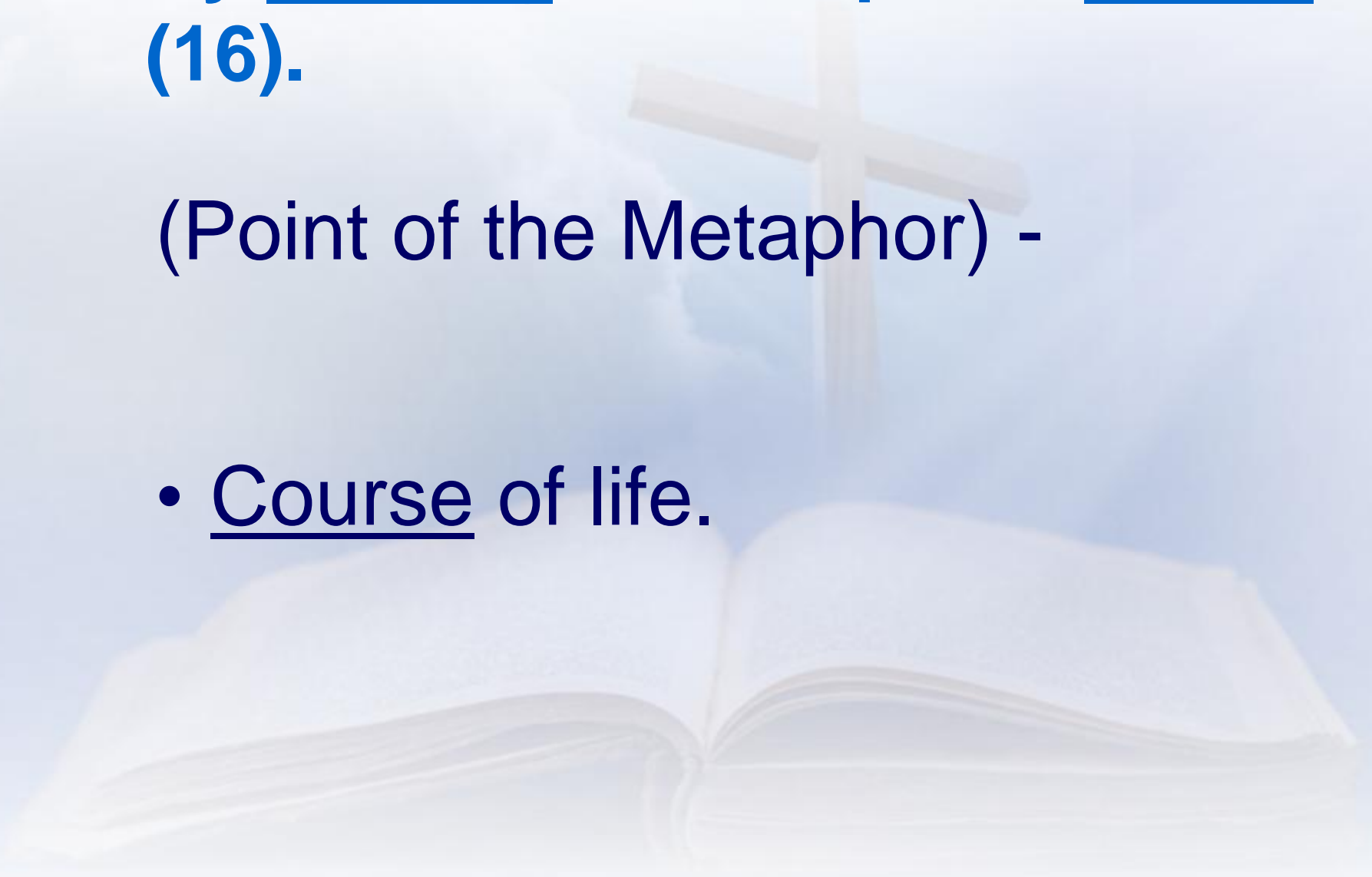
“The command is direct and simple:
‘Walk in the Spirit.’ Someone has said
that a pilgrimage of a thousand miles
begins with a single step. So it is with
spirituality. It is not achieved, once and
for all, in an instantaneous event; rather
it is a progressive, lifelong pursuit.”

– R. Gromacki

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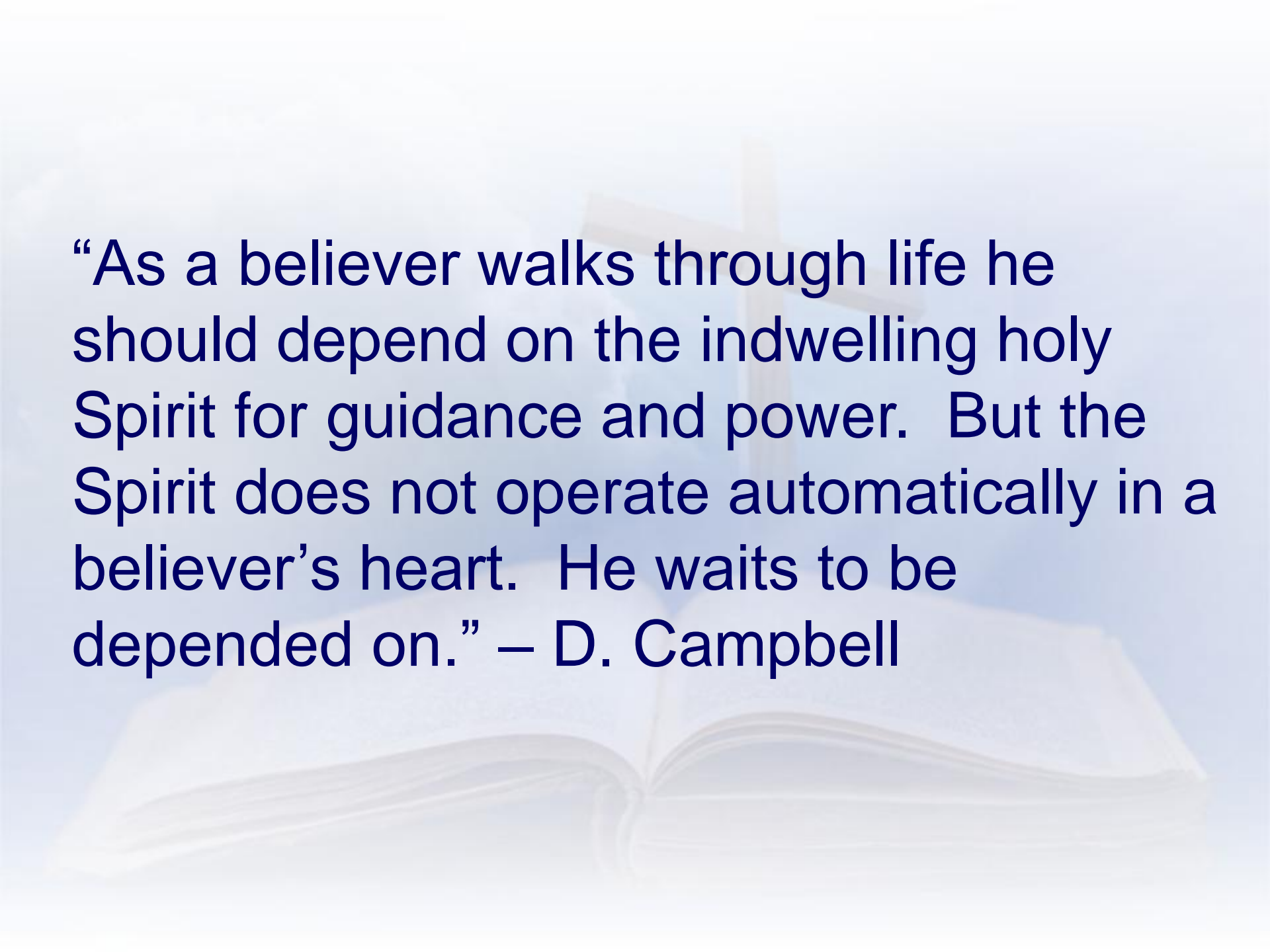
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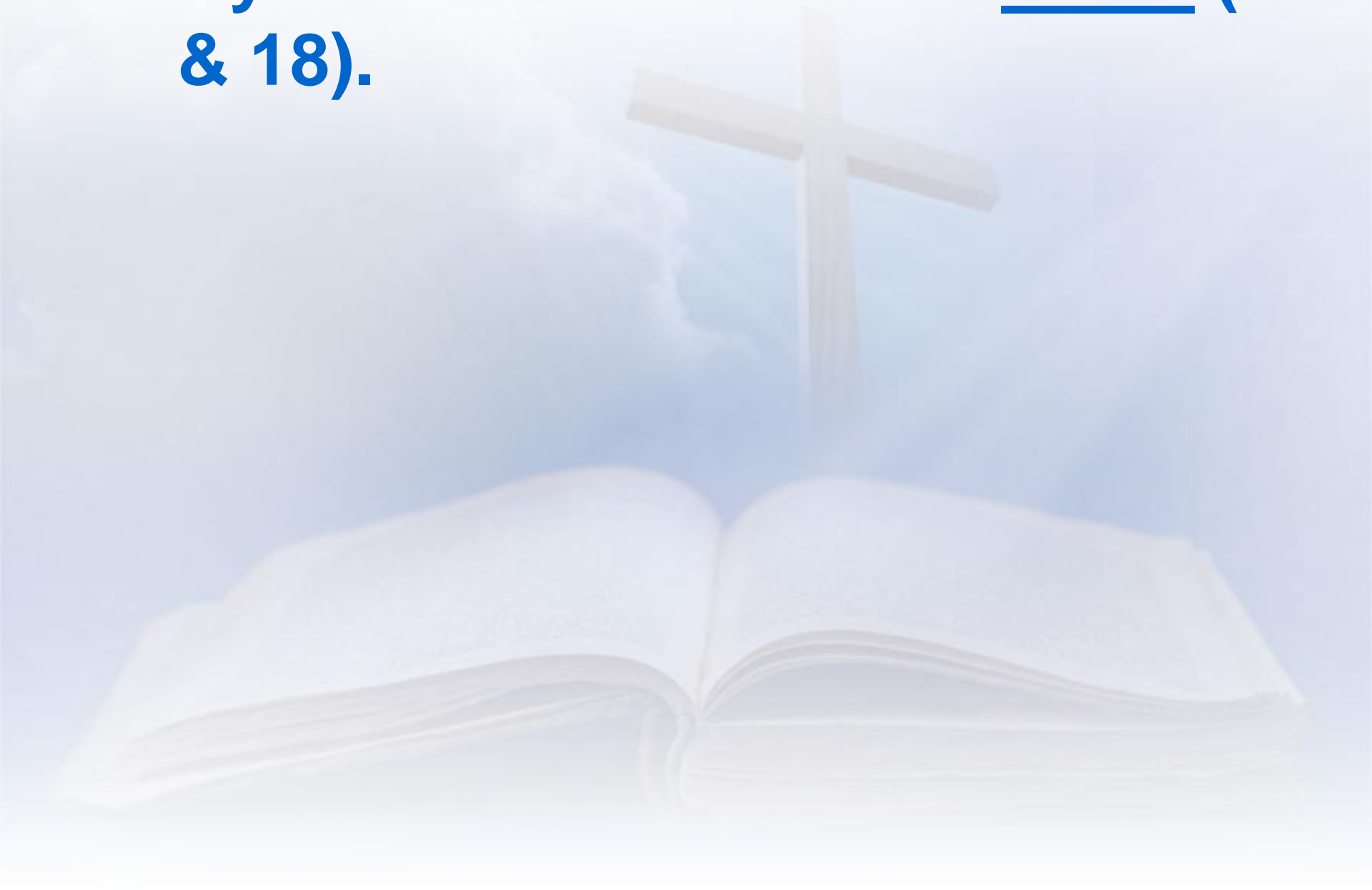
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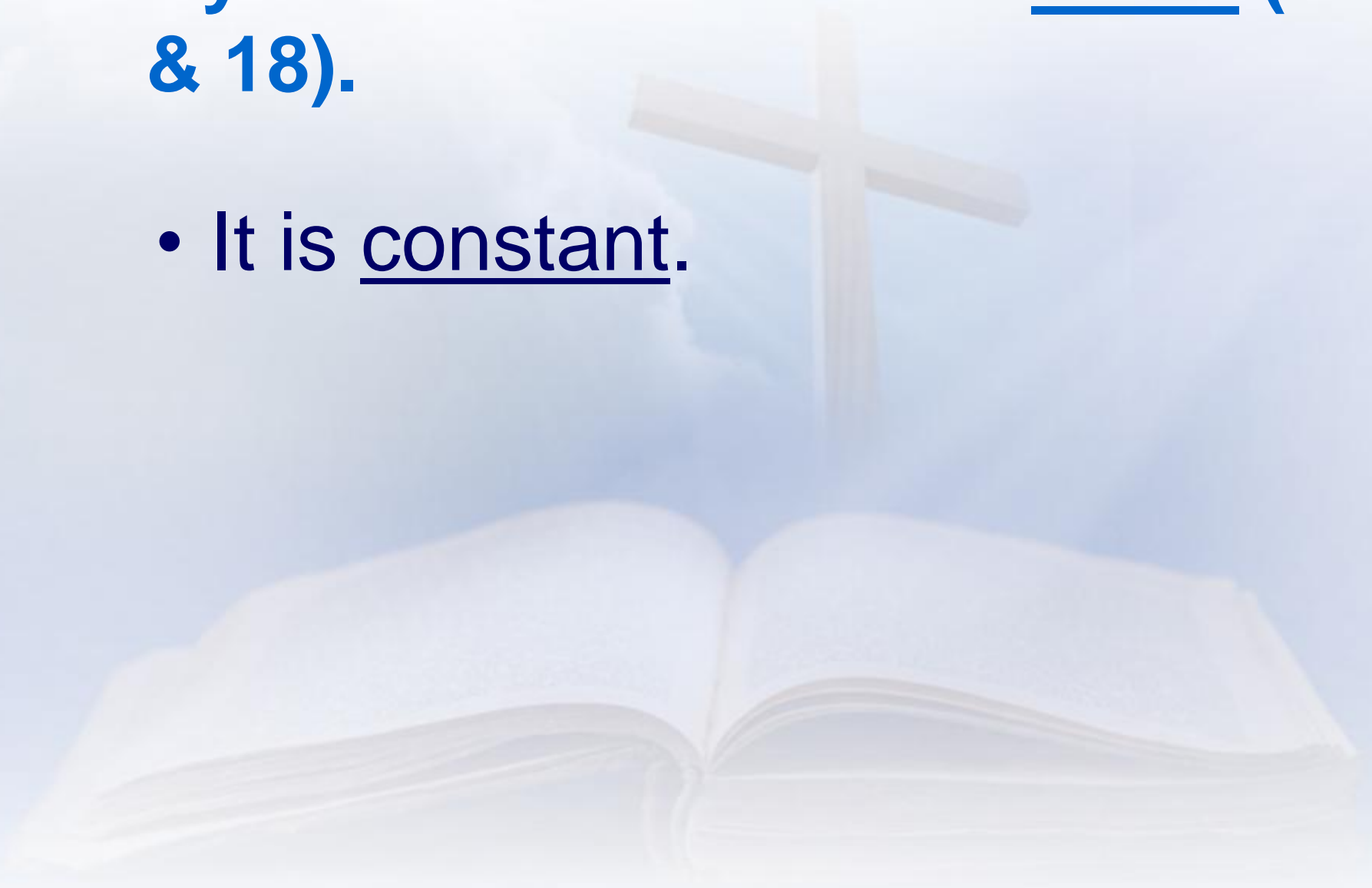
“As a believer walks through life he should depend on the indwelling holy Spirit for guidance and power. But the Spirit does not operate automatically in a believer’s heart. He waits to be depended on.” – D. Campbell

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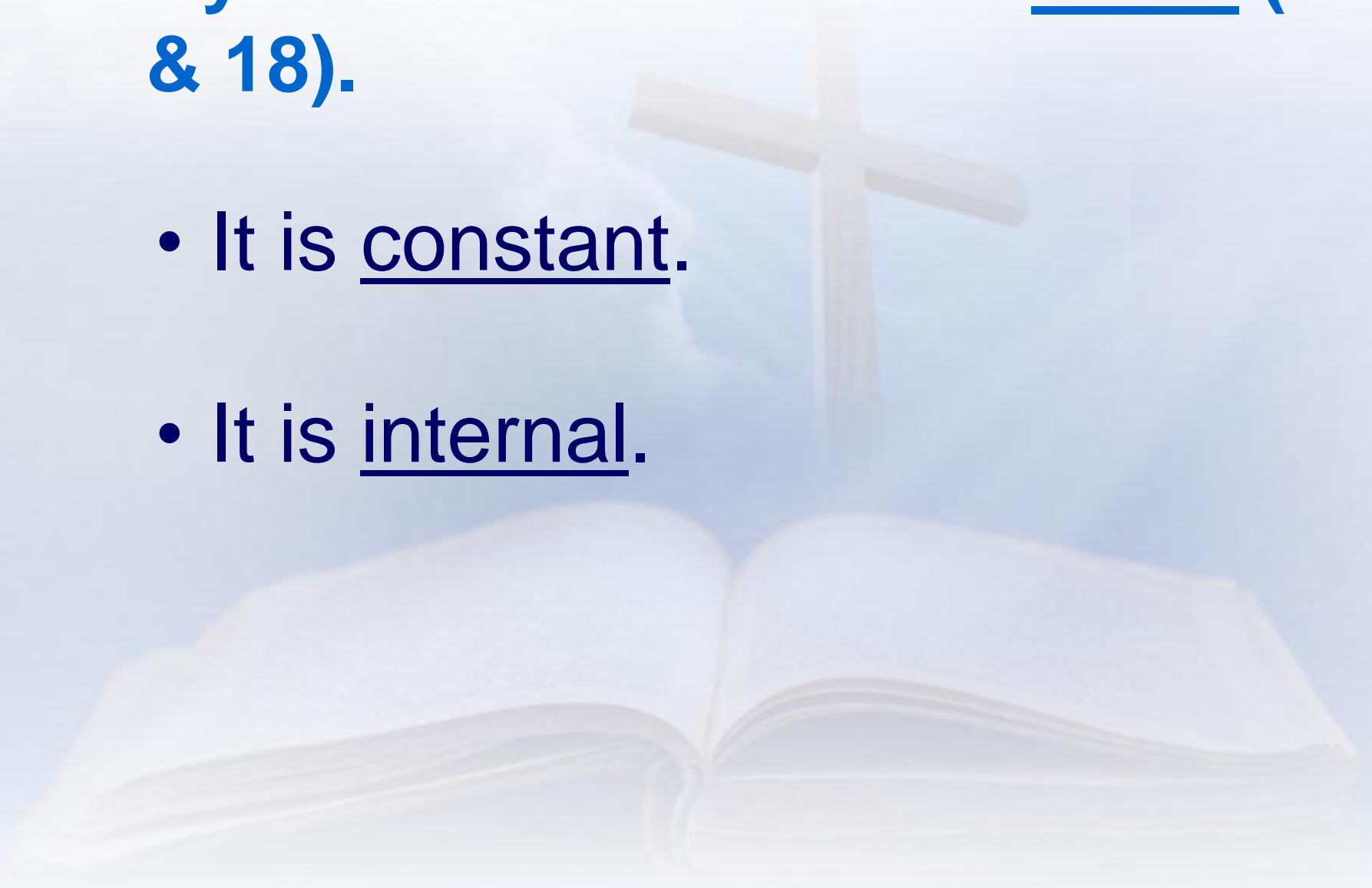
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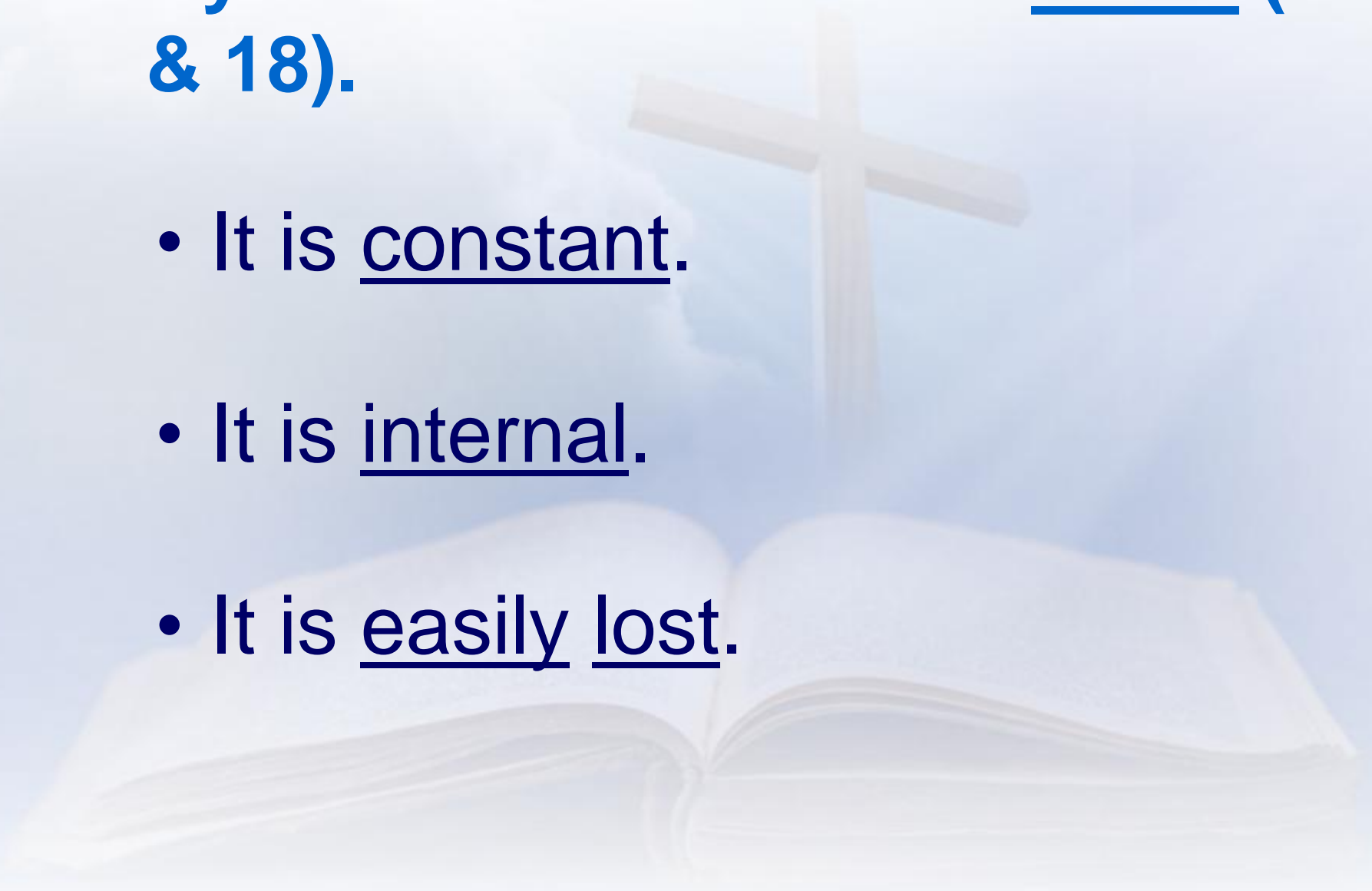
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“The cycle begins when we are being lured by an outside temptation and there is an inside lust attracted to that temptation. When we put that together with isolation and the provision to commit the sin, we are in for a raging battle. As the spiritual battle begins, the evil one will seek to make the most of any opportunity. So then, we have an outside allurement and an inside desire with the enemy at work to encourage the great lie: ‘It’s worth it.’ Little do we realize just how critical this moment is, and who and what is far more valuable and at our disposal – Jesus Christ.” – Stuart Scott

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- It is constant.
- It is internal.
- It is easily lost.



“Our flesh is more than eager to offer up rationalizations in the form of excuses or lies in an effort to minimize the seriousness of the sin, justify our giving in or validating the sinful choice. Perhaps the rationale and habit have long since been established. Rationalization gives us a false comfort and a measure of blindness about sin.”

– Stuart Scott

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- It is constant.
- It is internal.
- It is easily lost.
- It is winnable.

