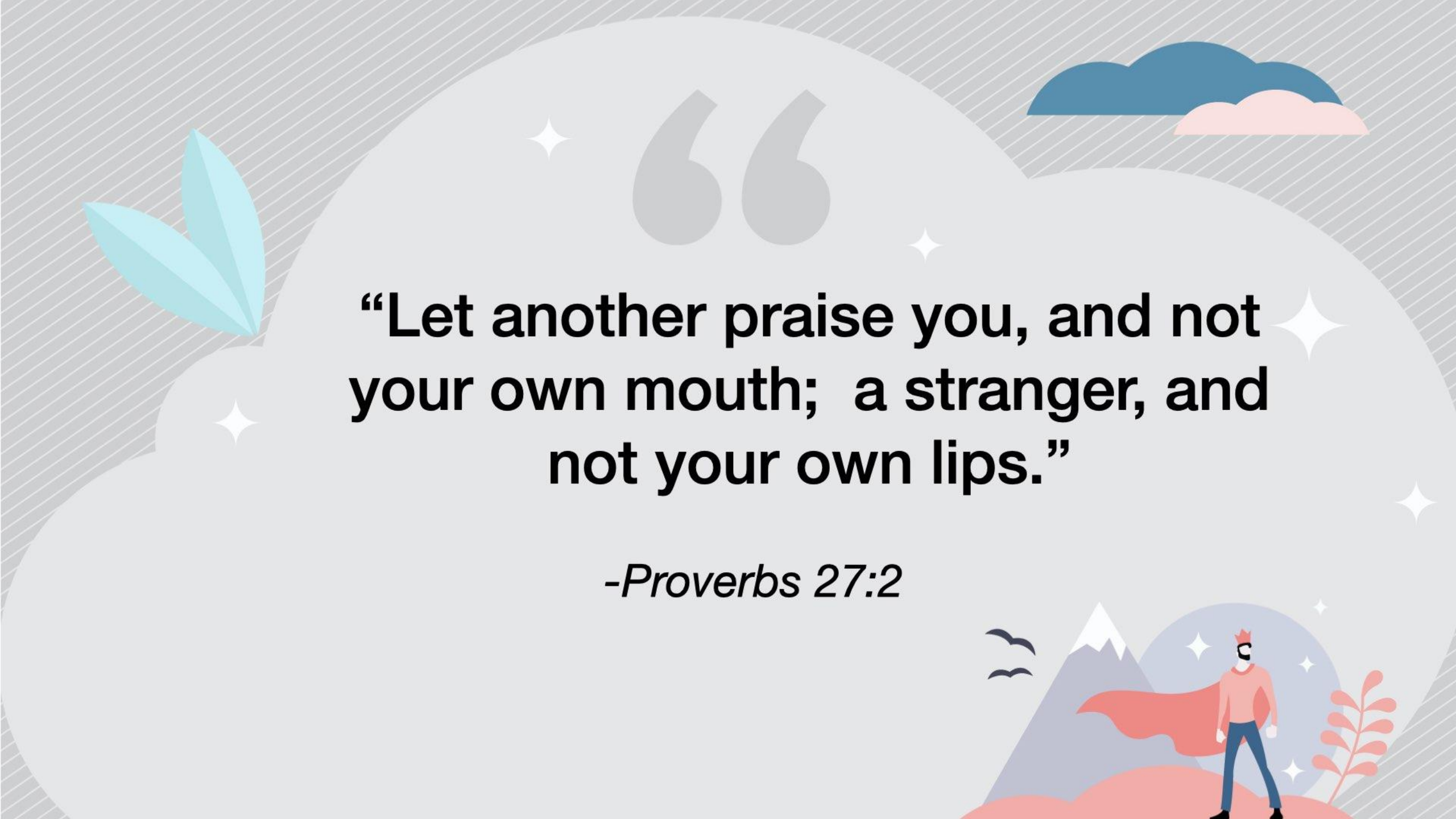




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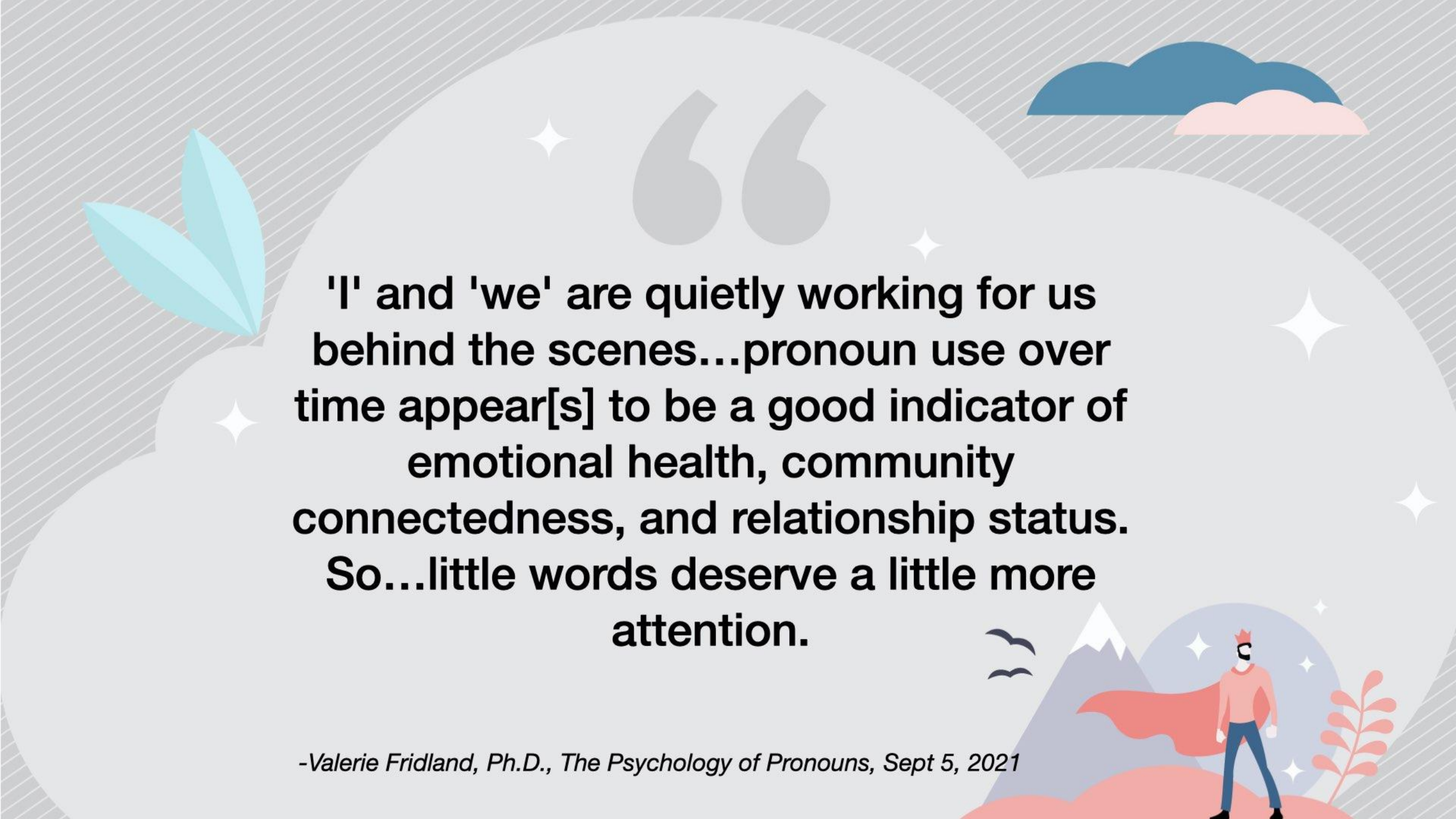
The PRONOUN PROBLEM

Proverbs 27:2



**“Let another praise you, and not
your own mouth; a stranger, and
not your own lips.”**

-Proverbs 27:2



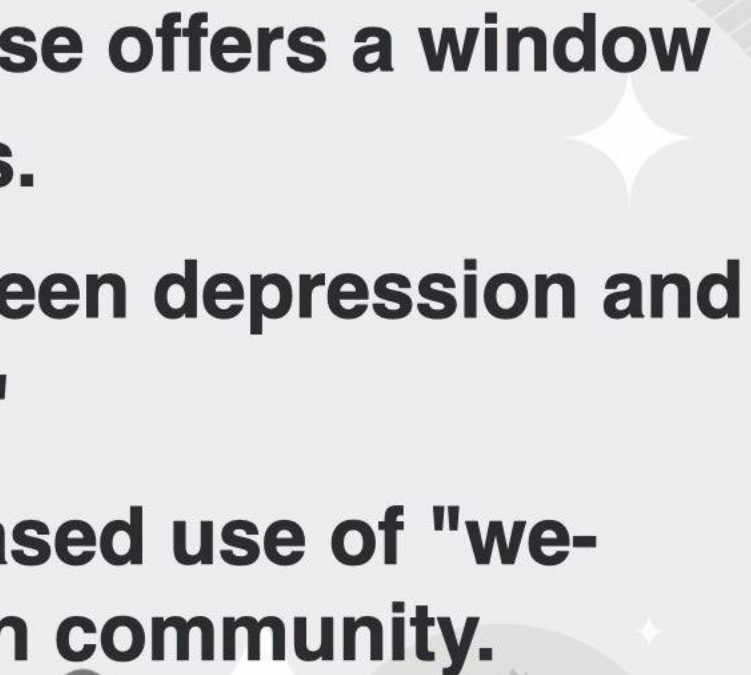
'I' and 'we' are quietly working for us behind the scenes...pronoun use over time appear[s] to be a good indicator of emotional health, community connectedness, and relationship status. So...little words deserve a little more attention.

-Valerie Fridland, Ph.D., The Psychology of Pronouns, Sept 5, 2021

Every Word...



KEY POINTS

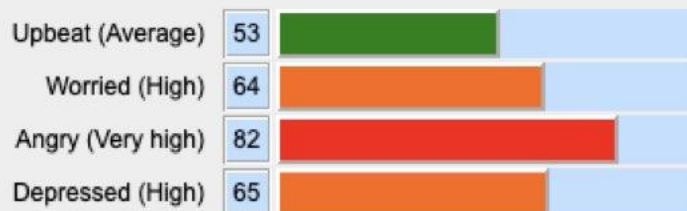
- Research suggests that pronoun use offers a window into emotional and relational states.
 - A study showed a correlation between depression and an increase in the use of "I-words."
 - Researchers also found that increased use of "we-words" indicates a greater focus on community.
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Word Analysis

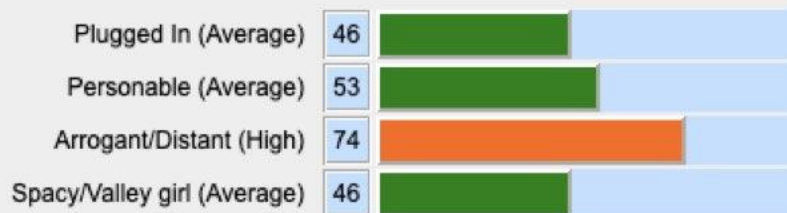


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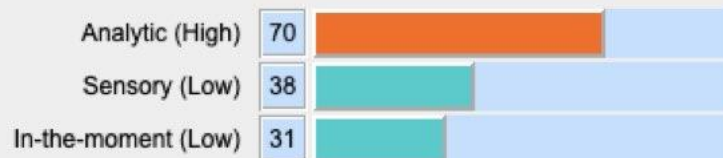
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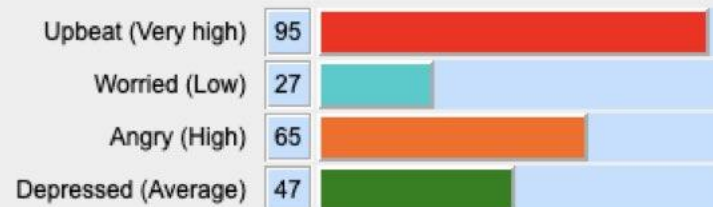


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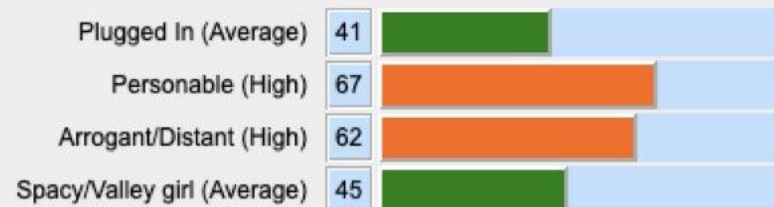


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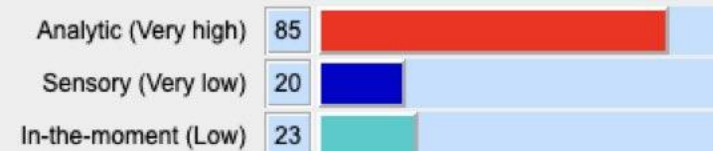
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**“Father, give me the
share...that is
coming to me”**

Luke 15:12

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Proverbs 27:2



**“Father, I have
sinned...I am no
longer worthy to be
called your son’...”**

Luke 15:21

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PROBLEM**

Proverbs 27:2



**“Let us eat and
celebrate. For this
my son was dead,
and is alive again...”**

Luke 15:23-24



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“These many years I have served you, and I never disobeyed...you never gave me a young goat, that I might celebrate. But when this son of yours comes...you killed the fattened calf for him!”

Luke 15:29-30



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Words Are Tools

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Proverbs 27:2



Words Are Mirrors

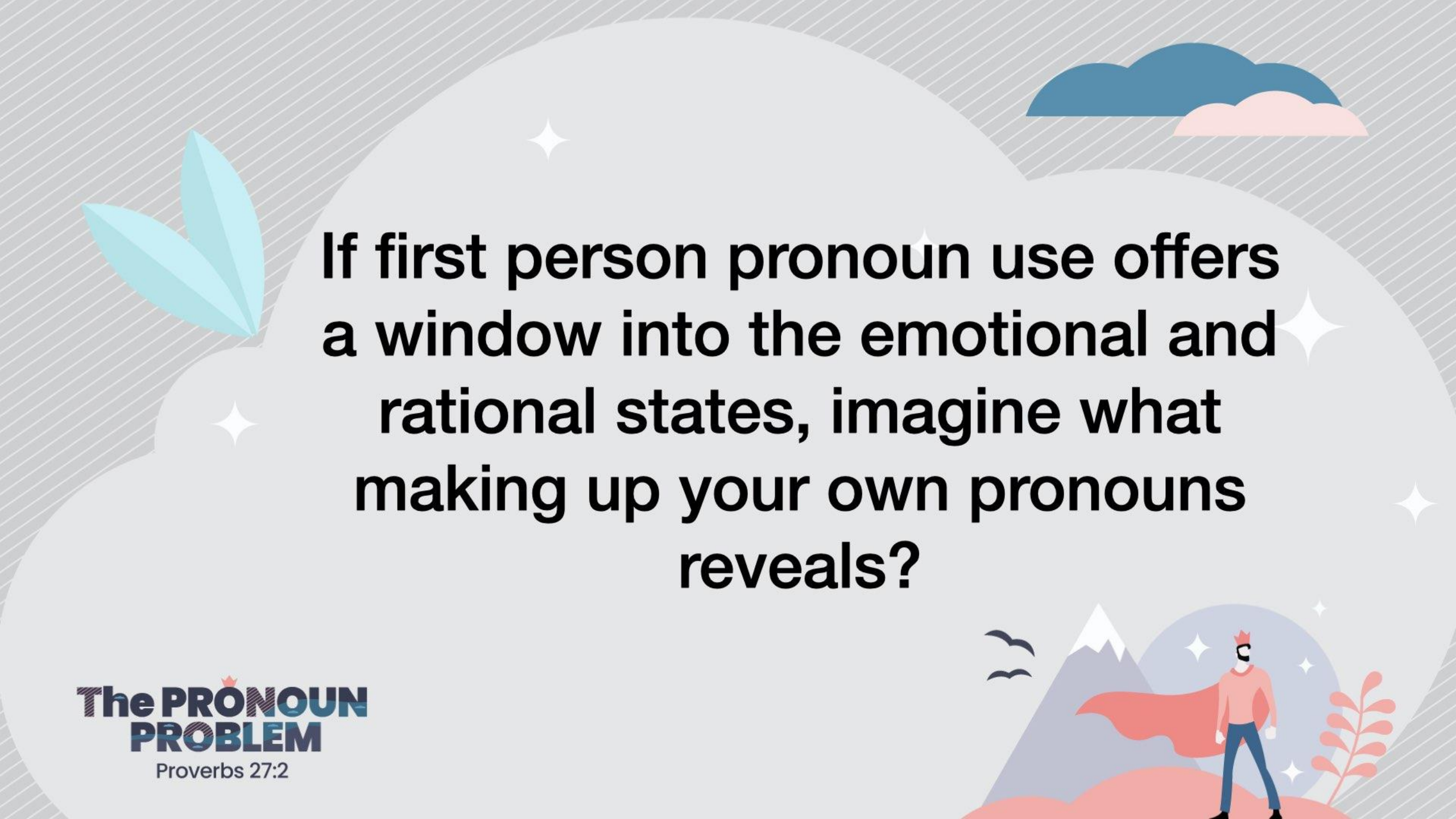
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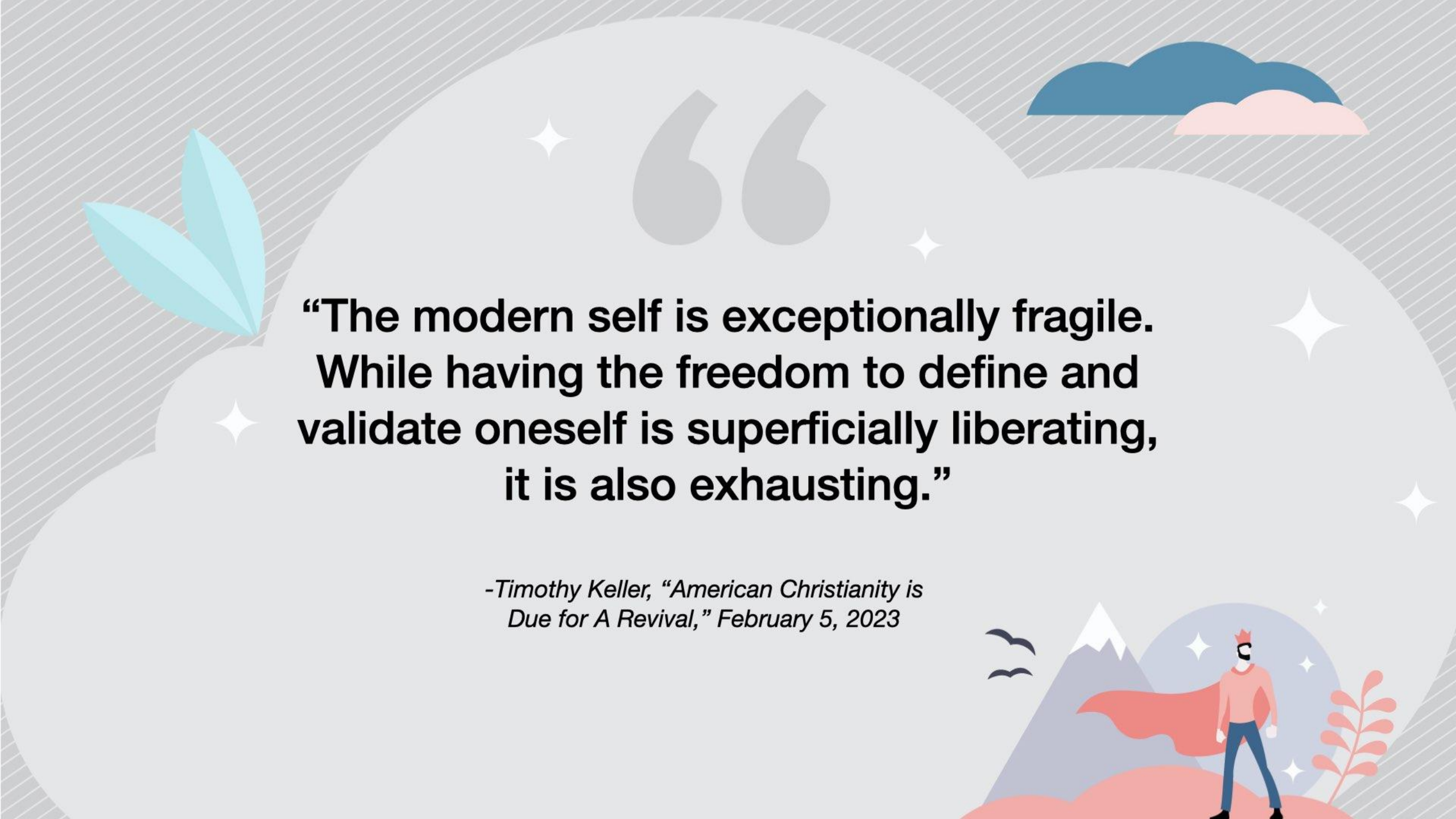


Words Relate to Self-Awareness

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If first person pronoun use offers a window into the emotional and rational states, imagine what making up your own pronouns reveals?



“The modern self is exceptionally fragile. While having the freedom to define and validate oneself is superficially liberating, it is also exhausting.”

-Timothy Keller, “American Christianity is Due for A Revival,” February 5, 2023



What Do My Words Reveal About Me?

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