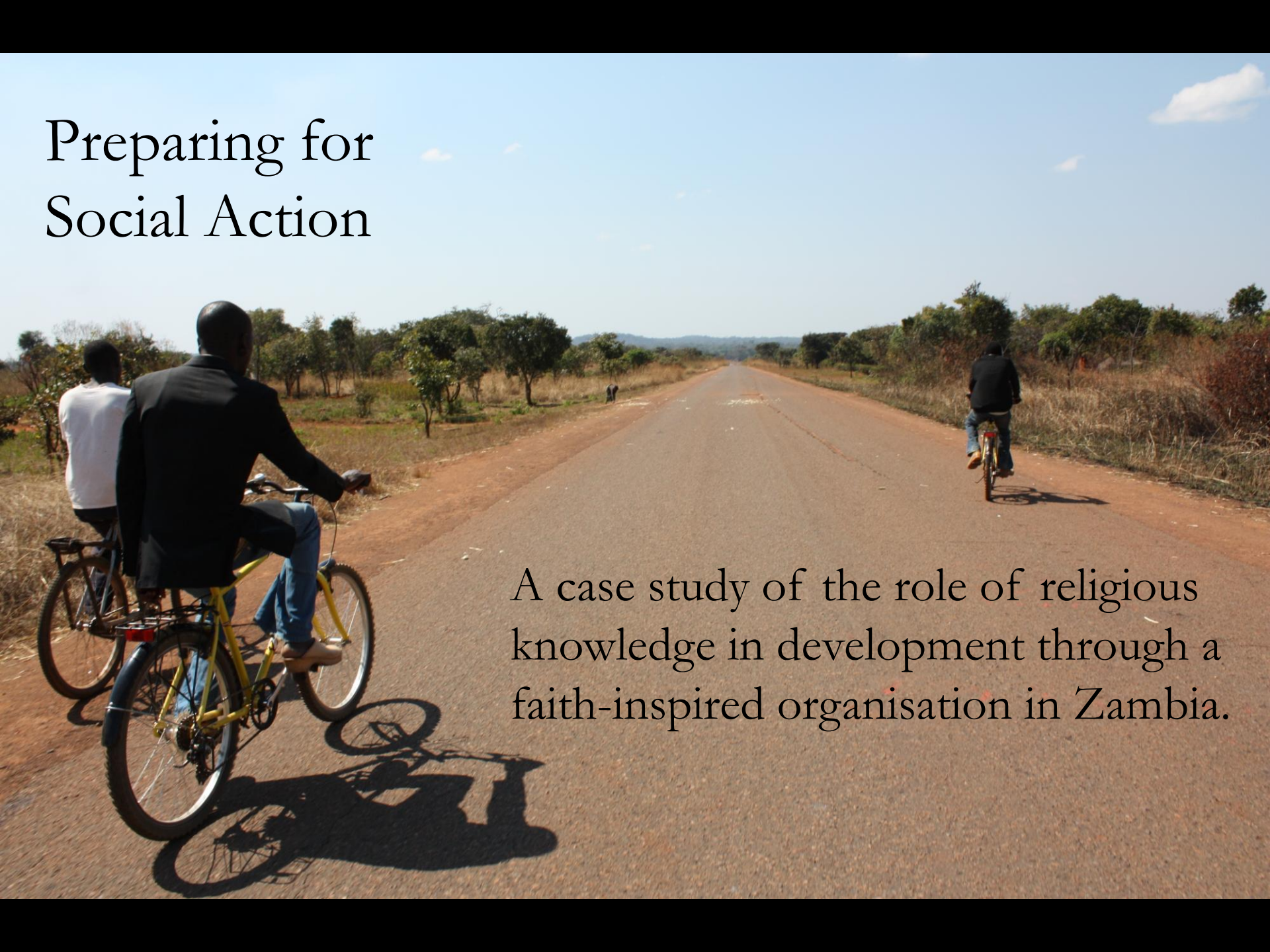


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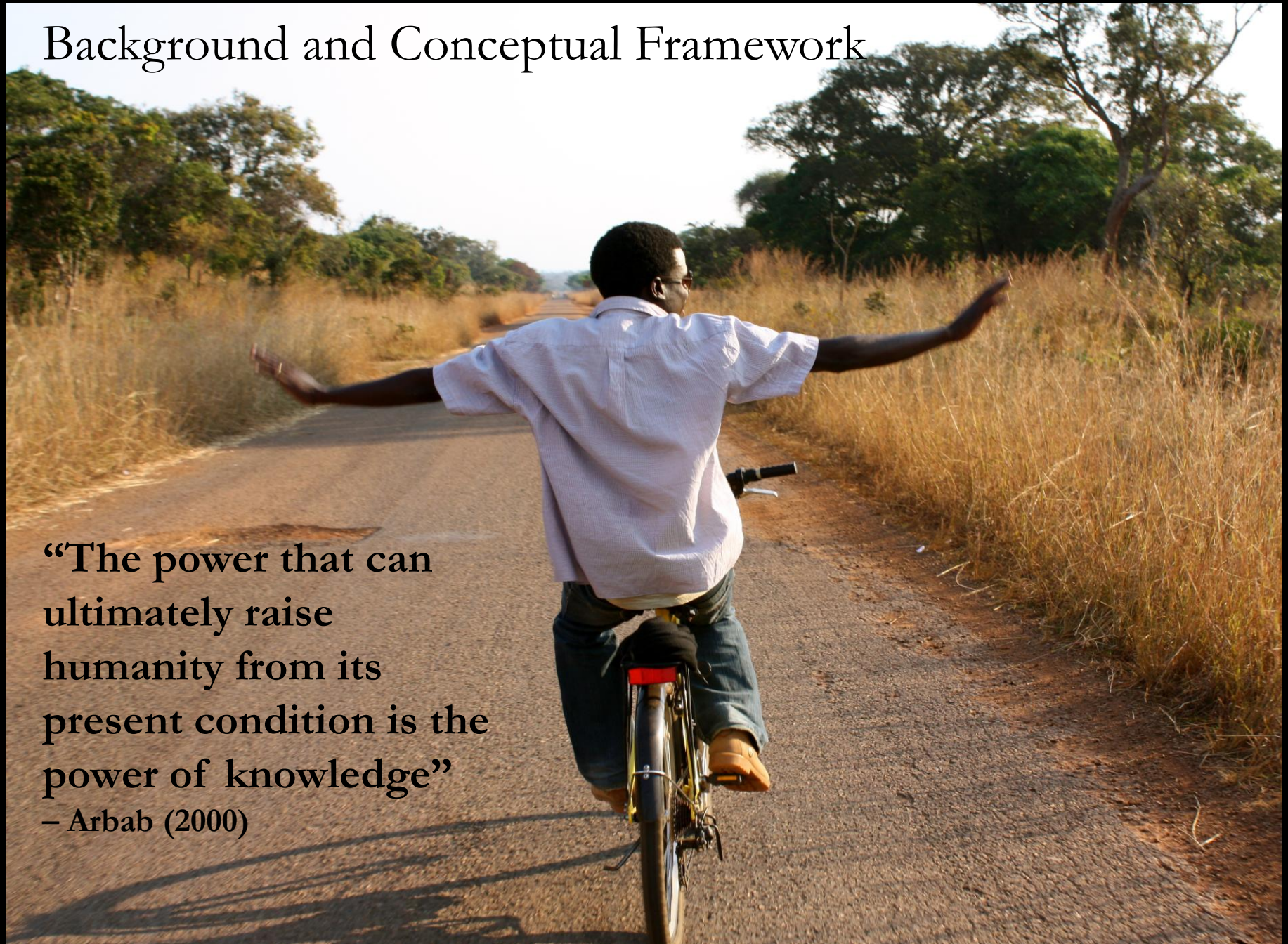
A photograph showing three people riding bicycles on a long, straight, paved road that stretches into the distance. The person in the foreground is wearing a dark jacket and blue jeans, riding a yellow bicycle. Behind them, another person in a white shirt is also on a bicycle. Further ahead on the right side of the road, a third person in a dark shirt is riding a bicycle. The road is flanked by dry, grassy fields and scattered trees under a clear blue sky with a few clouds. The scene is captured from a low angle, emphasizing the length of the road and the riders' shadows cast on the pavement.

A case study of the role of religious knowledge in development through a faith-inspired organisation in Zambia.

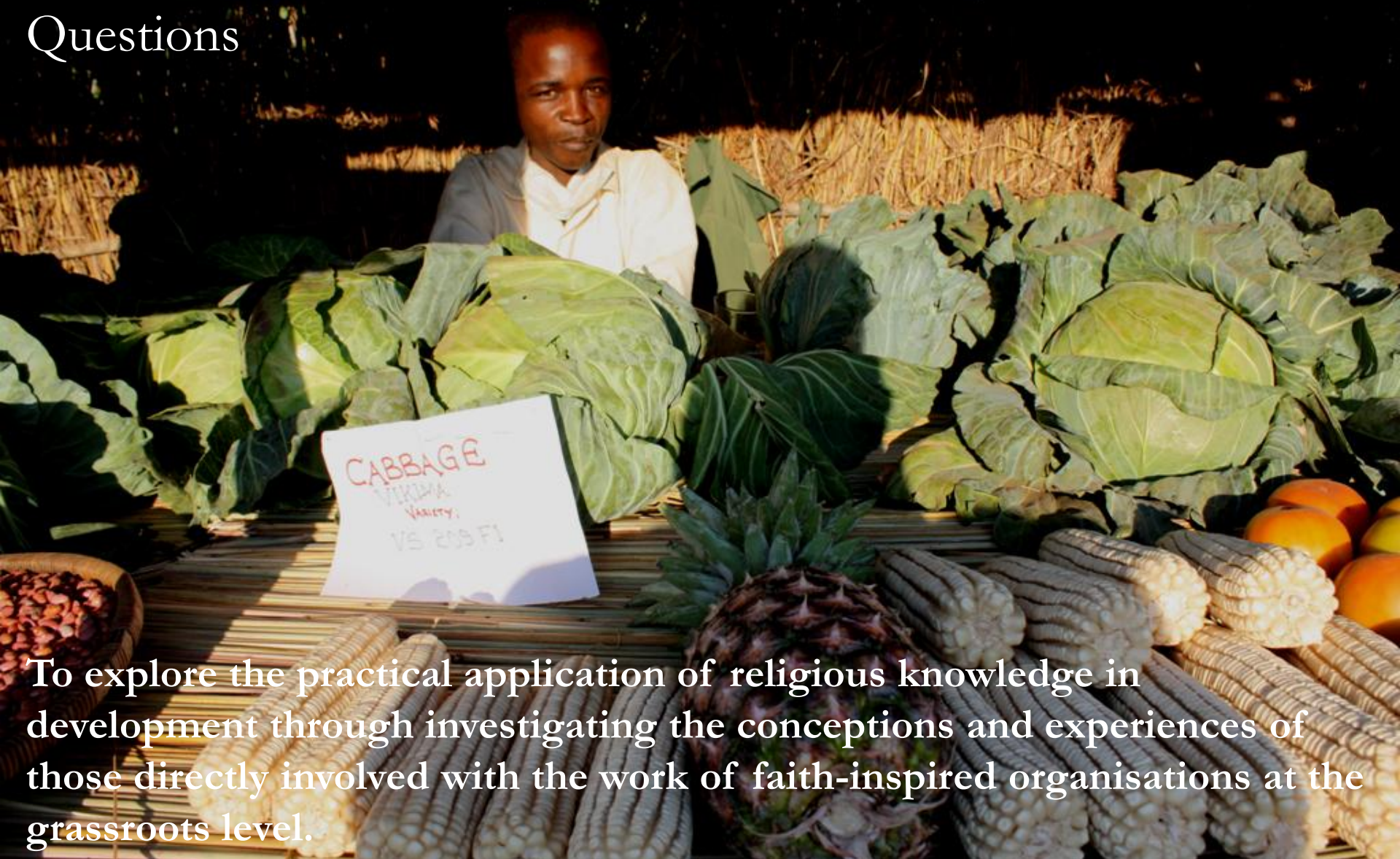
# Background and Conceptual Framework

“The power that can ultimately raise humanity from its present condition is the power of knowledge”

– Arbab (2000)



# Objective & Research Questions



To explore the practical application of religious knowledge in development through investigating the conceptions and experiences of those directly involved with the work of faith-inspired organisations at the grassroots level.

# Context & Methodology



The photograph shows a group of people, including children and adults, in a rural setting. A woman in a red shirt and brown skirt is in the foreground, gesturing. In the background, there is a traditional thatched-roof structure and a large tree. A map of Zambia is overlaid on the bottom right, showing major cities like Lusaka, Livingstone, and Harare, and neighboring countries like Zimbabwe and Mozambique.



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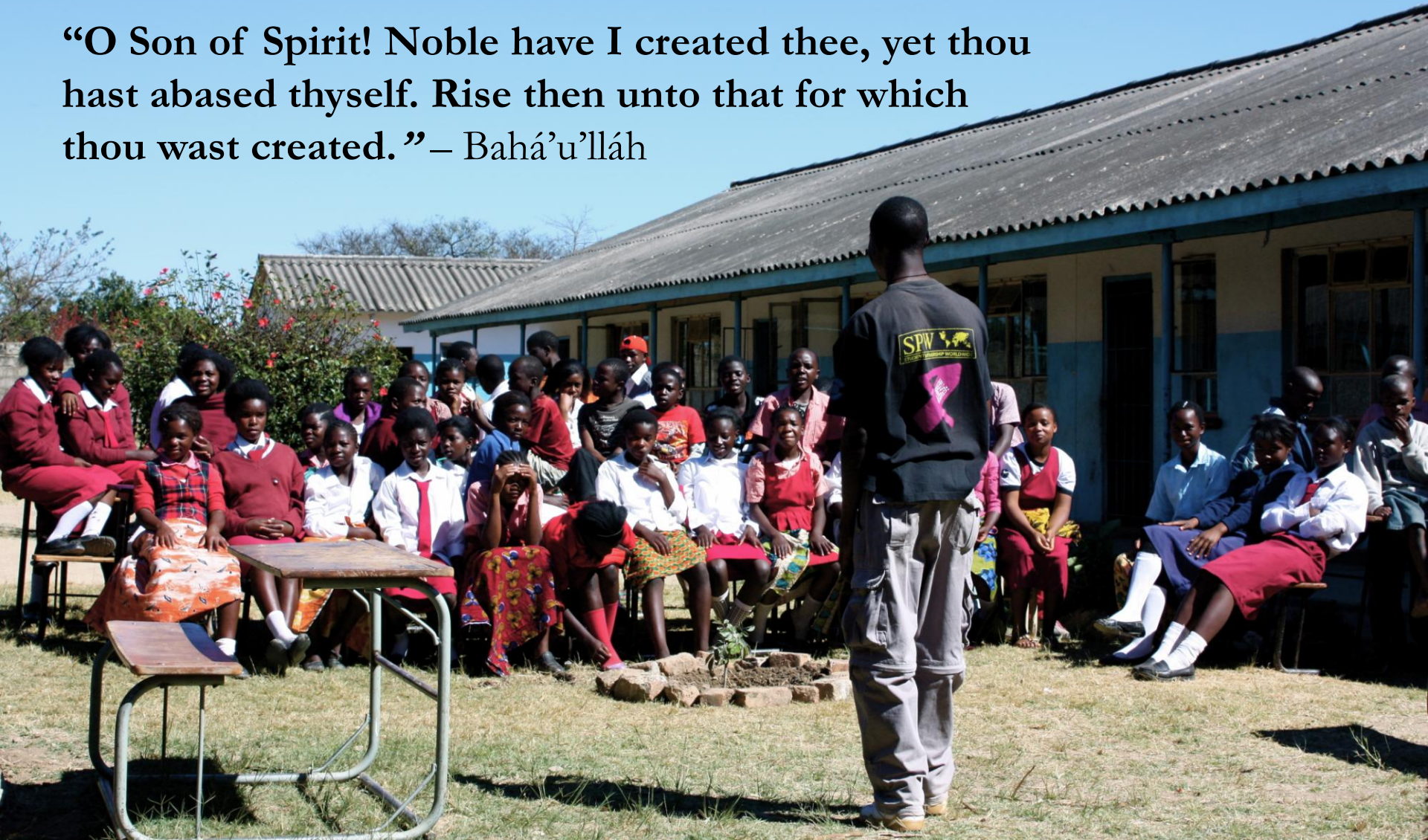


“The tabernacle of unity hath been raised: regard ye not one another as strangers. Ye are the fruits of one tree, and the leaves of one branch.”

— Bahá'u'lláh

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“O Son of Spirit! Noble have I created thee, yet thou hast abased thyself. Rise then unto that for which thou wast created.” – Bahá’u’lláh

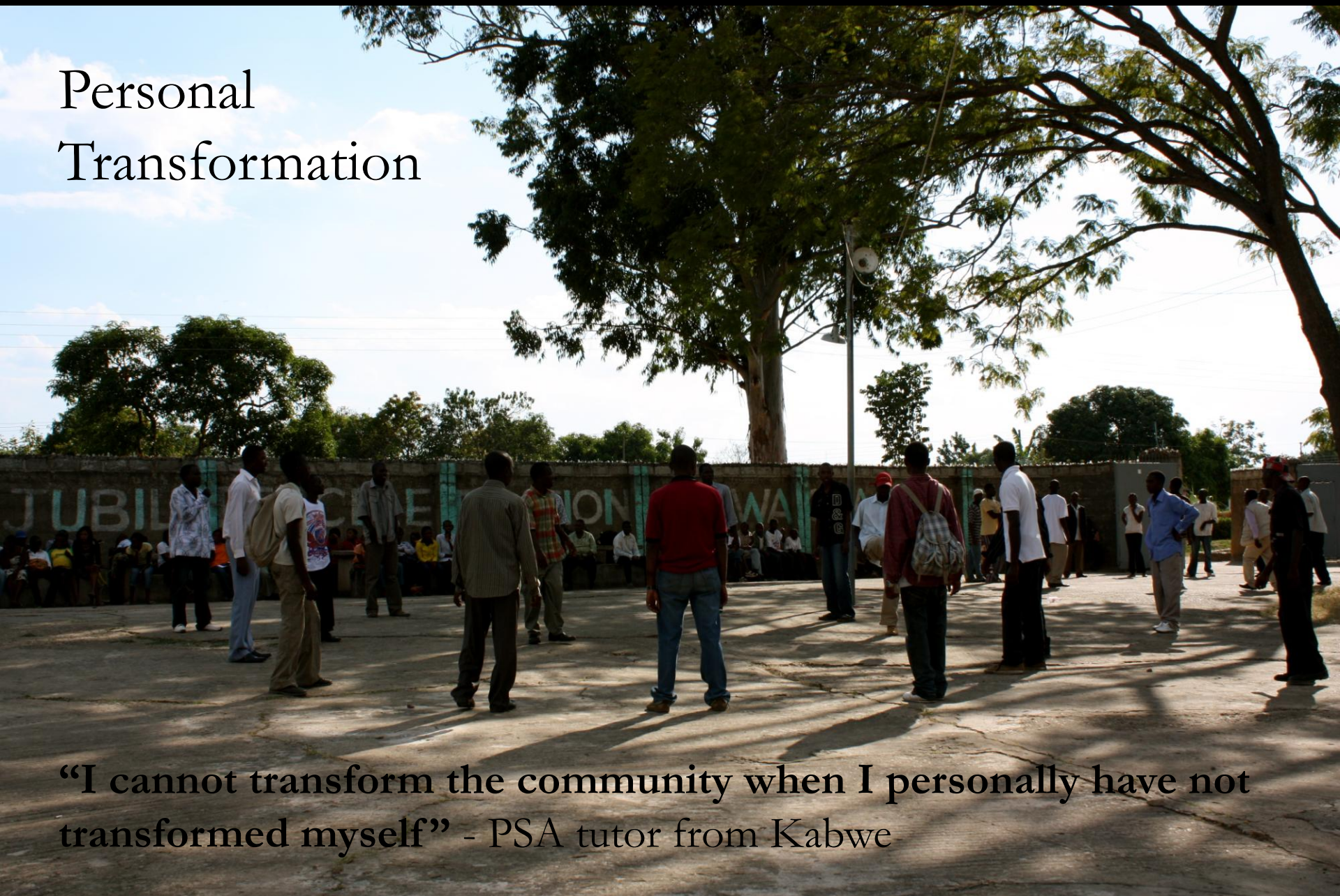


# Conceptions of Development

“When we talk of community development and other aspects of society’s advancement, it’s like it lies on these two pillars, the material and spiritual” – PSA tutor from Mwinilunga



# Personal Transformation



**“I cannot transform the community when I personally have not transformed myself” - PSA tutor from Kabwe**

# Initial Conclusions

