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# REPUTATION and CHARACTER

The circumstances amid which you live determines your **reputation**;  
The truth you believe determines your **character**.

**Reputation** is what you are supposed to be; **Character** is what you are.

**Reputation** is a photograph; **Character** is in the face.

**Reputation** comes from without. **Character** grows up from within.

**Reputation** is what you have when you come to a new community.  
**Character** is what you have when you move away.

Your **reputation** is earned in an hour;  
Your **character** comes to light throughout your life.

**Reputation** is made in a moment. **Character** is built in a lifetime.

**Reputation** grows like a mushroom. **Character** grows like an oak.

A single newspaper report gives you your **reputation**.  
A lifetime of toil gives you your **character**.

**Character** is what you are. **Reputation** is what people think you are.

**Reputation** makes you rich or poor.  
**Character** makes you happy or makes you miserable.

**Reputation** is what men say about you on your tombstone.  
**Character** is what angels say about you before the throne of God.

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