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Preface

AUTHOR'S INTRODUCTION

You were created for kingship. This is not merely a spiritual concept reserved for heaven—it is a present reality designed to govern how you live, lead, and influence on earth. Every believer has been made a king and priest unto God, yet many live far beneath this identity. The *Totality of Kingship* was written to awaken you to the fullness of who you are and to equip you with the principles that position you for authority, influence, and impact in every sphere of life.

This book is not theoretical—it is intensely practical. It addresses the real questions that confront those who desire to rise: How do I position myself to stand before kings? What principles govern access to influence? How do I become a person of significance in my generation? What does it mean to sit with kings, and how can I sustain such relationships? These are not abstract ideas. They are pathways that have been tested, proven, and walked by men and women who have gone from obscurity to influence, from limitation to leadership.

Throughout this book, you will discover the dimensions of kingship—from the spiritual reality of your identity in Christ to the practical expression of authority in your daily life. You will learn what it means to stand before kings, how to become a king in your own sphere, and the disciplines required to sit among kings without losing your place. You will be confronted

with the truth that kingship is not given to the careless, the undisciplined, or the loose-tongued. It is reserved for those who understand the weight of discretion, the power of diligence, and the necessity of character.

This book also reveals the secrets to excelling in spite of challenges. Life will test you. Obstacles will arise. Opposition will come. But you are not called to be defeated by circumstances—you are called to excel through them. The Apostle Paul faced beatings, imprisonments, shipwrecks, and hunger, yet he excelled. His secrets—grace, speaking in tongues, revelation, and abundant labor—are laid bare in these pages so that you too may rise above every limitation and fulfill your destiny.

As you read, you will also be challenged to embrace the discipline of thanksgiving and consistent work. Many people pray but do not work. Others work but do not give thanks. True kingship requires both—praise that anchors your faith and labor that produces results. You will learn to work in silence, to trust God’s timing, and to refuse the trap of comparison and self-pity. These are the marks of a king.

This book is for those who refuse to settle for mediocrity. It is for those who are tired of watching others advance while they remain stagnant. It is for believers who know they carry greatness but have not yet discovered the pathway to its manifestation. It is for leaders, entrepreneurs, pastors, students, professionals, and visionaries who are ready to step into the fullness of their calling.

As you journey through these pages, do not merely read—apply. Kingship is not learned through knowledge alone; it is walked through obedience, discipline, and faith. Let the principles in this book shape your decisions, refine your character,

and direct your steps. God has prepared a place for you among kings. The question is not whether you are called—you are. The question is whether you will prepare yourself to occupy that place.

My prayer is that as you read this book, your eyes will be opened to see the greatness within you, your mind will be renewed to think like a king, and your life will be transformed to walk in the authority that God has already given you. You are not meant to stand before kings all your life—you are meant to become one.

Welcome to The Totality of Kingship.

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THE DIMENSIONS OF KINGSHIP

Understanding the Basis

How you treat the people around you truly matters. Whether they are customers, clients, friends, associates, members, or employees, your conduct toward them carries lasting significance. It determines how your reputation travels and, ultimately, how your name reaches those in positions of influence. The way you respond to those in need—especially those who cannot repay you—plays a vital role in accelerating your recognition before greater platforms. Within this context, “kings” refers to individuals who are important, prominent, relevant, and distinguished in society.

You Are a King

All believers are kings. We have been made kings and priests unto our God. There is a dimension of kingship in heaven that pertains to the realm of the Spirit and our reality in Christ Jesus. There is also kingship on earth, which operates among men. In the Old Testament, three categories of individuals functioned with divine authority in the spiritual realm: prophets, priests,

and kings. Prophets influenced the spiritual realm through divine insight and utterance. Kings who were anointed carried the backing and authority of God. Earthly kingship, however, extends beyond titles—it encompasses leadership, rulership, governance, and authority in various spheres of life. There is no king without a kingdom. In Scripture, kings are often associated with crowns, thrones, scepters, and anointing oil. When God instructed Samuel to anoint Saul, it was oil—not a crown—that was poured upon his head. The crown, as we know it, was a later human symbol of royalty. The true mark of kingship in the Old Testament was the anointing. Likewise, David was anointed by Samuel, yet he did not immediately ascend the throne. This reveals an important truth: God may reveal who you are becoming long before you step into that reality. There is always a process and a timing for enthronement. At the time David was anointed, Saul still occupied the throne. In Israel, kings were often referred to as “the Lord’s anointed.” The focus is on the practical dimensions of kingship—principles that can be applied in everyday life to position you for influence and impact.

You Should Stand Before Kings

The book of Proverbs 22:29 declares, “Do you see a man who excels in his work? He will stand before kings; he will not stand before unknown men.” The King James Version uses the word diligent, emphasizing consistent excellence and commitment. To stand before kings, you must first become someone whose work speaks loudly enough to be heard beyond your immediate environment. It is possible to be known among ordinary people, but for your influence to reach kings, your work must carry distinction. This does not happen by waiting for the “right

time” to be noticed. It happens by giving your best at all times. Everything you produce should reflect excellence, diligence, and integrity. What you are doing today—often unnoticed—forms the report that will be heard tomorrow. Before you stand before kings, you will serve ordinary people. It is through your service, value, and excellence among them that your reputation grows. The “news” of your work travels upward. It is this consistent demonstration of excellence that eventually brings you before influential individuals. If you wait for an opportunity to impress great people, you may never encounter them. Instead, focus on doing exceptional work where you are now. Those who consistently excel in serving others—no matter how small the platform—will, in time, be brought before kings. Therefore, be diligent. Be committed. Give your best in every season. What you do now is what kings will hear about later.

Certain Things about Standing before Kings

a. It Means to Work for Kings

To stand before kings is, in essence, to work for them. This may take the form of securing contracts or rendering specialized services. In this context, kings represent individuals who are important, influential, and powerful—those you aspire to serve or relate with. Standing before kings is not merely ceremonial; it is practical engagement through meaningful work.

b. It Means to Solve Problems for Kings

Kings are not seeking entertainment—they are seeking solutions. To stand before them, you must possess the ability to meet real needs. A stylist addresses matters of appearance; a shoemaker provides footwear; a chef meets culinary needs.

In every case, value is the currency that grants access. The critical question is this: ***Do you have something of value that meets the needs of a king?*** Before you ever reach such heights, you will first serve people around you—neighbors, friends, and associates. It is through these interactions that your reputation grows. Consider the account of Joseph. It was through a fellow prisoner that news of his gift reached the king. In the same way, what you do for those around you can become the channel through which your name is carried to greater platforms. Be willing and ready to solve problems wherever you are.

c. You Must Be Willing to Follow a King

There are individuals who require followership before granting access. Standing before a king is not limited to offering service; it often involves a willingness to follow, learn, and align with their vision. Followership positions you for deeper access and trust.

d. You Must Submit to Kings

Submission is a necessary principle for anyone who desires to stand before kings. You must be willing to honor and submit to authority. This does not imply exploitation; rather, it reflects humility and a readiness to learn. Often, this submission is expressed through mentorship and guidance under those who have gone ahead of you.

e. You Must Obey Kings

Obedience is essential when dealing with kings. You are expected to carry out instructions faithfully and execute assigned tasks with diligence. Prompt and accurate obedience builds confidence and establishes credibility

f. You May Be Called to Teach Kings

At certain times, kings may require your expertise. In such moments, you are called to teach—to impart knowledge, skill, or insight in your area of competence. This dimension of influence comes as a result of proven value and trust.

g. You Must Protect Kings

If you are to remain before kings for a long time, they must feel secure in your presence. Your loyalty, discretion, and wisdom should provide a sense of protection. Proverbs 14:35 states, “The king’s favor is toward a wise servant, but his wrath is against him who causes shame.” A wise servant demonstrates submission, problem-solving ability, and obedience. Such a person earns the favor of kings. One of the clearest proofs of loyalty is swift obedience. At times, instructions may not require prolonged analysis. Once you trust the voice giving direction, your responsibility is to act. Kings often reward loyalty and faithfulness even above mere skill or expertise. Proverbs 16:13 adds, “Righteous lips are the delight of kings, and they love him who speaks what is right.” Integrity in speech is crucial. Kings must not perceive you as a flatterer or a sycophant—one who speaks falsely to gain favor. You must be consistent in your words, both in their presence and in their absence. The moment a person is discovered to be insincere or manipulative, trust is broken. Therefore, maintain truthfulness, loyalty, and integrity. These are the qualities that sustain your place before kings.

You Should Become a King

You are not meant to stand before kings all the days of your life—you are also called to become one. While not everyone may be a monarch, every individual has the potential to rise

into authority within their sphere of influence. Kingship is not limited to a throne; it is expressed through influence, responsibility, and impact. There are several pathways through which a person can step into kingship:

a. Becoming a Monarch

This refers to traditional rulership—the king of a town, city, or territory. While this may not apply to everyone, it represents one dimension of kingship.

b. Becoming a Leader

Leadership is a clear expression of kingship. When you are entrusted with responsibility—whether as the head of a department, unit, institution, or organization—you are functioning as a king within that domain. Leadership often comes with position, and position is a platform for kingship.

c. Becoming a Decision Maker

You become a king when your decisions carry weight. When your voice influences outcomes and shapes direction, you are operating in authority. Kings are recognized not merely by titles, but by the impact of their decisions.

d. Becoming a Visionary

Vision is a call to kingship. Anyone who receives insight to create, build, or transform lives is stepping into a kingly role. A vision that impacts humanity carries authority. Whether it is a business, an institution, or a movement, the moment you conceive and pursue a meaningful vision, you are walking in kingship.

e. Becoming the Principal Authority in a Sphere

When you become the foremost personality in a place or institution, you function as a king within that environment. The chief executive of an organization, the head of a system, or the recognized leader in any structure operates with kingly authority. Kingship is expressed wherever there is recognized leadership and influence.

f. Becoming Wealthy

Proverbs 22:7 says, “The rich rules over the poor...” Wealth carries influence and authority. Likewise, Proverbs 14:24 declares, “The crown of the wise is their riches.” In this sense, wealth becomes a form of crown. The account of Job illustrates this principle. Though not a monarch, he was regarded as a king because of his influence, wisdom, and wealth. His prosperity and stature positioned him as a leader among men. Thus, riches, when rightly stewarded, can elevate a person into a place of authority.

g. Becoming a Mobilizer of Multitudes

Proverbs 14:28 states, “In a multitude of people is a king’s honor, but in the lack of people is the downfall of a prince.” Influence over people is a defining mark of kingship. When you are able to gather, lead, and inspire multitudes, you are operating as a king. This is a principle well understood in both leadership and enterprise—numbers amplify influence. The politicians understand this dimension of mobilizing multitudes to their side. Also, businessmen have insight into this dimension. Businessmen understand the power in numbers. Furthermore, Book of Ecclesiastes 8:4 declares, “Where the word of a king is, there is power.” Kings do not speak carelessly.

Their words carry weight and must be measured. A person who speaks excessively without restraint diminishes their authority. Kings are often deliberate in speech. They listen more than they speak and are trained to exercise control over their words. While certain roles—such as teaching or preaching—require frequent speaking, wisdom must still govern communication, especially in public settings. A key discipline of kingship is the ability to handle sensitive information. Not everything is meant to be spoken. Some matters must remain confidential. When a person talks excessively, secrets are easily exposed. Wisdom lies in knowing what to say, when to say it, and what to withhold. Those in leadership, governance, and strategic roles are often trained to handle classified information with discretion. Kings do not have careless speech; they guard their words. Therefore, let your words be few and meaningful. Where necessary, speak freely only within trusted and appropriate circles. Ecclesiastes 10:16–17 reads, “Woe to you, O land, when your king is a child, and your princes feast in the morning! Blessed are you, O land, when your king is the son of nobles, and your princes feast at the proper time—for strength and not for drunkenness!” There are people who only designate their mornings for feasting. This sign communicates enjoyment, pleasure, and feasting. You should think about work, achievement, impact, and legacy. Don’t just base your life on the things to eat and enjoy. If you see people who say, “Let us enjoy ourselves and be merry,” it is a sign of childishness. Such people can be adults but children in their mindset. Kings always think about accomplishments, legacy, success, and results. Proverbs 16:12 says, “It is an abomination for kings to commit wickedness, for a throne is established by righteousness.” If you are someone who doesn’t feel guilty for doing wrong, you are not meant to be a king. Proverbs 16:12

(The Message Bible) states, “Good leaders abhor wrongdoing of all kinds; sound leadership has a moral foundation.” As a leader, you must avoid wrongdoing. A true king is marked not only by influence and power, but by character, discipline, and moral strength.

You Should Sit with Kings

First Book of Samuel 2:8 declares, “He raises the poor from the dust and lifts the beggar from the ash heap, to set them among princes and make them inherit the throne of glory.” To sit with princes is to sit with kings, for the princes of today are the kings of tomorrow. If you are to sit with kings, you must understand and practice the following principles:

a. You Must Be a Friend to Kings

There are individuals of significance with whom you must cultivate genuine friendship. This begins from your present level. You need discernment to recognize future kings today and relate with people based on their potential, not merely their present state. Proverbs 22:11 says, “He who loves purity of heart and has grace on his lips, the king will be his friend.” It is possible—and necessary—for kings to be your friends. When your heart is pure and your speech is gracious, you naturally attract meaningful relationships with influential people. In your life, you should intentionally build friendships with people of substance and vision. Not all such relationships must be public. Even Jesus Christ maintained both public and private circles of relationships. Joseph of Arimathea, a disciple, remained largely unseen until a critical moment when he stepped forward. Some strategic relationships are best preserved with discretion.

b. You Must Connect with Kings

Connection requires intentionality. You must take deliberate steps to associate with people of influence. Do not wait passively—position yourself to engage, relate, and build meaningful associations.

c. You Must Network with Kings

Networking is the art of building partnerships and expanding your relational capacity. One effective way to grow your network is by attending events, gatherings, and occasions. Such environments expose you to people of influence and open doors for new connections. Be intentional about building relationships. Your network often reflects your reach, and it can significantly influence your opportunities. Expand your circle wisely and consistently.

d. You Must Lead Kings

Leadership is not limited to those above you—you can also lead those who are influential by offering guidance, mentorship, and wisdom. As you grow, look for individuals you can mentor and influence positively. Many people desire to befriend kings but fail to contribute to their growth. Be different. Share your knowledge, insights, and experience. Through mentorship and strategic counsel, you can lead kings effectively.

e. You Must Mobilize Kings

You can gather influential people into your space through intentional invitations. Invite them into your home, organization, events, or gatherings. Do not limit such invitations to special occasions alone—create meaningful opportunities for engagement. When you bring influential people together, your own sphere of influence expands. Your ability to mobilize

people of substance enhances your visibility and strengthens your leadership presence.

f. You Must Visit Kings

Learn the discipline of visiting people of influence. Do not wait for them to come to you—take the initiative. A key principle here is this: never visit a king empty-handed. Carry something of value, whether material or intangible. Consider the example of Queen of Sheba, who visited Solomon with gifts. Though Solomon possessed great wealth, he still received her offerings and, in return, honored her generously. Giving is a powerful way to express honor and establish meaningful connections.

g. Give to Kings

Giving demonstrates sincerity and genuine interest. When you give to influential people, it communicates that your intentions are not driven by what they possess, but by honor and value. When given the opportunity to make requests, do not prioritize material gain. Instead, seek access—to their knowledge, their environment, and their perspective. If you lack financial capacity, offer value through your skills, expertise, or service. There is always something meaningful you can contribute.

h. You May Deputize the King

This principle is reflected in the relationship between David and Jonathan. Jonathan recognized David's future kingship and aligned himself loyally with him. Deputizing a king involves loyalty, support, and alignment with a greater purpose. Proverbs 21:1 says, "The king's heart is in the hand of the Lord... He turns it wherever He wishes." You must trust God to incline the hearts of influential people toward you. Also, Ecclesiastes 10:20 warns,

“Do not curse the king, even in your thoughts... for a bird of the air may carry your voice.” This underscores the importance of integrity in speech. Never say behind a king what you cannot say before him. Maintain discipline in your conversations, especially in professional or corporate environments. Even when others speak negatively about leaders, exercise restraint. You never know who may carry such words forward. As a citizen, you may express opinions about leadership. However, when you are brought into positions of proximity or responsibility, a higher level of discipline, character, and discretion is required. To sit with kings, you must cultivate honor, wisdom, discretion, and intentional relationships. These principles will position you not only to meet kings but to remain among them.

Certain Things to Note When You Are Privileged to Sit with Kings

a. An Armor-Bearer Must Not Be a Talebearer

The moment you begin to sit with kings, you gain access to information that must never be disclosed. There are things you will hear and see that are not meant to be shared. Sitting with kings exposes you to insights concerning their thoughts, systems, lives, families, and inner circles. Such privileged access demands restraint and discipline. You must learn to handle classified and confidential information—matters that are not available to the public. Jesus Christ demonstrated this principle when He took three disciples up the mountain of transfiguration, where they saw Moses and Elijah. He instructed them not to share the experience until the appropriate time. Even among the twelve disciples, not all were privy to that encounter. If you become someone who cannot keep confidential matters, you will

hinder your own progress. Life operates by principles, and one of them is trust. When you sit with kings, there will be information that even your closest relationships—such as your spouse—must not have access to. This is part of the discipline that shapes those who walk with authority. Do not confuse sincerity with indiscretion. Some matters require confidentiality. Careless speech can bring shame, destroy opportunities, and even disqualify you from higher responsibilities. There are things that, if spoken publicly, could cause great damage. If you are loose with your words, you may only have access to lesser circles, not to those who carry significant authority. To sit with kings, you must be trained in discretion. Some matters must die with you—secrets are among them.

b. Do Not Discuss Everything You See in the Palace

When you come close to greatness, you will observe things that are not meant for public discussion. Exposure to influential environments comes with responsibility. Not everything you witness should be shared casually. Learn to exercise restraint.

c. Do Not Discuss the King's Personality, Past, Character, or Family

Never speak about a king's personal life, history, character, or family matters with others. These are sensitive areas that require utmost respect and confidentiality. As you prepare yourself to relate with influential people—whether within your nation or beyond—you must cultivate the character required to be trusted.

d. Do Not Be a Leaking Vessel

Let it never be said that confidential information was exposed

through you. Train yourself in the discipline of confidentiality. If you desire relationships with influential individuals—leaders, executives, or people of great impact—you must ask yourself: ***Do I have the character to sustain such relationships? Can a leader confide in you with the assurance that their words will remain secure?*** Trust is the foundation of lasting relationships with kings. The moment you are perceived as careless with information, access will be withdrawn. It is a mark of maturity to be able to keep certain matters within yourself. People feel safe when they know that what they share with you will not be exposed. As we trust God for the emergence of believers in positions of national influence and decision-making, it becomes essential to embrace the training required for such roles. To function effectively in these strategic positions, you must develop the character and discipline of kingship. You must also be discerning—able to distinguish between actions that foster unity and those that create division. Some information, when wrongly shared, can stir conflict and enmity, even if your intentions were good. When you find yourself among decision-makers and people of authority, let your conduct reflect wisdom and maturity. Favor may open doors quickly, but a lack of character can remove you just as fast. Do not be ignorant of the qualities that sustain men in positions of influence. David is described in Scripture as one who behaved himself wisely. Wisdom in conduct preserves access and increases favor. When you are not trained in relating with kings, your behavior may betray you. If you are careless with your words, you cannot remain among kings. Therefore, seek the understanding and wisdom necessary to steward the greatness you desire. The same discipline that grants you access will also sustain you in places of influence.

You Become a Counselor to Kings

As you grow in proximity to kings, you may be elevated to become their counselor. A counselor is an adviser, a guide, and a mentor—one who provides direction in matters of importance. You are called to become a counselor to influential and powerful individuals. In every sphere, there are opposing influences. There are forces that seek to distort judgment and darken counsel, and there are those who bring clarity, wisdom, and solutions. As a representative of God's Kingdom, you must be among those who speak light, clarity, and truth into the ears of kings. Ecclesiastes 4:13 says, "Better a poor and wise youth than an old and foolish king who will be admonished no more." This reveals that even kings require counsel, correction, and guidance. If you are to function effectively as a counselor to kings, you must cultivate the following qualities:

a. The Ability to Advise on Specific Matters

You must be capable of speaking into various aspects of a leader's life—family, finances, policies, relationships, and strategic decisions. Those you counsel are not ordinary individuals; they are leaders whose decisions affect many. A true counselor must possess the Spirit of counsel. Isaiah 11:2 declares, "The Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon Him... the Spirit of counsel and might." This Spirit enables you to communicate wisdom in a practical and effective manner. When the Spirit of counsel is at work in you, your words carry clarity and direction. Those who listen to you gain understanding and know what to do. It also guides your speech, helping you address sensitive matters in a way that kings can receive without offense. There is a manner of speaking to kings that preserves honor while delivering truth. When you speak by this Spirit, your counsel will be valued and

sought after.

b. The Ability to Create Blueprints for Execution

It is not enough to identify problems—you must provide structured solutions. A counselor must be able to design clear and practical frameworks for executing visions and responsibilities. This principle is illustrated in the life of Joseph, who not only interpreted Pharaoh's dream but also provided a strategic plan for managing years of abundance and famine. He outlined systems, appointed oversight, and established measurable actions. Likewise, you must be able to translate vision into actionable steps. Your counsel should eliminate confusion, not increase it. A time is coming when individuals of faith will be sought for solutions that are clear, refined, and free from ambiguity.

c. The Ability to Handle Insider Information Wisely

A counselor often has access to sensitive and insider information. Many fail at this point by sharing such knowledge with the wrong people. This lack of discretion limits their rise. Information entrusted to you must be directed appropriately—often upward, not outward. Kings rely on accurate and well-guarded information. Mishandling such trust can close doors permanently.

d. The Ability to Predict Outcomes Accurately

A wise counselor discerns the likely outcomes of decisions. You must be able to analyze situations and foresee consequences. This ability helps kings make informed choices and avoid costly errors.

e. The Ability to Interpret and Clarify Vision

You must be skilled in understanding and articulating vision. This includes breaking down complex ideas into clear, step-by-step processes. A counselor helps transform vision into reality through clarity and structure.

Let the King Own Your Ideas

As a counselor, you must be free from the need for recognition. If you insist on being publicly credited for every idea, both you and your ideas may have limited reach. Allow the king to own and execute the ideas you provide. Your reward lies in continued access and influence. When your counsel consistently produces results, kings will continually seek your input. Proverbs 25:6–7 advises, “Do not exalt yourself in the presence of the king... for it is better that he say to you, ‘Come up here,’ than that you should be put lower.” Therefore, when you stand before kings:

- a. ***Do not elevate yourself through words or actions.***
- b. ***Avoid flattery and exaggeration.***
- c. ***Do not promote yourself—let others speak on your behalf.***

You may honor and appreciate kings, but do so with sincerity, not manipulation. True honor builds trust; flattery destroys it. When you carry yourself with humility, wisdom, and excellence, your voice will be heard, your counsel will be valued, and your place among kings will be established.

You Must Be a Kingmaker

To function as a kingmaker is to influence the emergence of leaders and shape the course of governance. It is a position of responsibility that requires wisdom, discernment, and intentional action. If you are to become a kingmaker, consider the following practical processes:

a. Help People Grow into Leadership and Governance

Invest in the development of others. Mentor, teach, and guide individuals in the principles of leadership. When you train someone in how to think, act, and lead effectively, you are contributing to their emergence as a leader. Leadership is often the product of intentional mentoring and consistent guidance.

b. Recommend People for Leadership Positions

Many individuals rise to positions of authority through strategic recommendations. Your voice and credibility can open doors for others. Therefore, be discerning in whom you endorse, ensuring that those you recommend possess character, competence, and capacity.

c. Appoint People into Leadership Roles

Where you have the authority, use it wisely to appoint capable individuals into positions of leadership and governance. Appointment is a powerful tool that can shape institutions and influence outcomes for generations.

d. Guide Succession and Replacement

A true kingmaker understands the importance of continuity. You must be able to influence succession by identifying and preparing suitable replacements for leadership roles. This ensures stability and preserves the vision of any system or institution.

e. Mobilize Support for Leadership Emergence

Leadership often requires the backing of people. A kingmaker knows how to rally support—whether through influence, advocacy, or mobilization—to position individuals for leadership

and authority.

f. Pray People into Leadership and Governance

Spiritual influence is a vital dimension of kingship. Those who serve in spiritual capacities carry the responsibility to intercede for the emergence of righteous leaders. Leadership is not only secured through physical processes but also through spiritual alignment. The account of David reveals this principle, as he was ushered into kingship through the ministry of Samuel. This demonstrates that leadership can be established through divine direction and spiritual responsibility. To be a kingmaker is to shape destinies, influence systems, and raise leaders who will, in turn, impact the world. It is a calling that demands integrity, wisdom, and a commitment to the greater good.

REIGNING ON EARTH

Insight into the Biblical Foundation of Reigning

Revelation 5:10 declares, “And have made us kings and priests to our God; and we shall reign on the earth.” The essence of kingship is dominion—the mandate to reign upon the earth. Therefore, speak to yourself with conviction: ***I will reign on the earth.*** You are called to manifest kingship, to take charge, and to exercise righteous authority in your sphere. Regardless of your present level or condition, your destiny in Christ is to reign. Having given your life to Christ Jesus, you are positioned for dominion. For His sake, you are called to rise and rule. God has brought you to this point for a purpose—it is your appointed time and season to reign. This is your inheritance through Christ. The Scriptures record the acts of kings, reminding us that God is intentional about leadership, influence, and governance. You, too, are destined to be counted among those who lead and shape their generation. Some will emerge as commercial kings, others as industrial, financial, political, or institutional kings. In whatever sphere you are placed, it is your portion to reign. It is one thing to go before kings; it is another for kings to come

to you. Isaiah 60:3 says, “The Gentiles shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your rising.” When you go to kings, you stand before them. But there is a higher dimension where kings come to you—seeking your counsel, drawn by the light and glory of God upon your life. There are dimensions of grace and excellence that cause kings to rise in honor of a man. Scripture records instances where even kings bowed in recognition of divine wisdom and authority. What compels such honor is the light of God shining through a life. Kings are drawn to light; they respond to glory. Therefore, if kings must come to you, your life must radiate divine illumination.

Factors That Attract Kings (People of Influence)

a. The News of Your Success

You may be successful, yet unnoticed. It is the report of your success that draws kings. When the news of your achievements spreads, it creates pathways for influence. Consider the Queen of Sheba, who journeyed to see Solomon because she heard of his wisdom, prosperity, and greatness. Your results must speak so loudly that they cannot be ignored. Identify the kind of impact you want to be known for, and diligently pursue it. True success is more compelling than publicity—kings respond to undeniable results.

b. A High Reputation (A Good Name)

Reputation is what people consistently say about you. Proverbs 22:1 affirms, “A good name is to be chosen rather than great riches, loving favor rather than silver and gold.” Kings already possess wealth; what distinguishes you is your character and credibility. A good name is built on consistent

behavior and dependable performance. Cultivate both integrity and competence. Do not rely on kindness alone—develop the skills required to solve real problems. Those who recommended Joseph and Daniel did so with confidence in their ability to deliver solutions. Build such a reputation.

c. A Great Name (Visibility and Recognition)

While a good name speaks of character, a great name reflects visibility and influence. It is the realm of recognition and widespread impact. Do not hide your gifts or diminish your presence. Your work and your voice must be visible to your world. There is a rightful desire within every individual to be known for purpose. Discern your season and position yourself accordingly. When your time comes, step forward boldly and let your light shine.

d. Numbers (Reach and Capacity)

Numbers represent reach—people, platforms, and influence. Your workforce, clients, customers, members, or partners all contribute to your sphere of impact. In ministry, evangelism expands influence; in business, strategic marketing increases reach. Even generosity attracts people and builds loyalty. Leaders who understand this principle cultivate systems that expand their influence. Kings are drawn to environments where there is significant reach and engagement.

e. Influence and Strategy

Strategic influence positions you as a person of value. When important events are organized, influential individuals are invited because of the weight they carry. Develop insight, wisdom, and the ability to think strategically. Let your presence

add direction and clarity wherever you are.

f. The Supernatural (Miracles)

The manifestation of God's power attracts attention at the highest levels. Miracles reveal the hand of God and make the impossible possible. They suspend natural limitations and introduce divine possibilities. When God works through you in extraordinary ways, it compels recognition—even from kings.

g. Access

Access is a powerful currency in life. When kings recognize that you have access to realms, knowledge, or relationships they do not possess, they will seek you out. It is often said that a good lawyer knows the law, but a great lawyer knows the judge. Learn to steward relationships wisely and honor the connections God brings into your life. There is grace for access, and it can be cultivated through prayer, wisdom, and intentional relationships. Often, you are only a few connections away from the opportunities you seek.

h. Influence (Relational and Personal Impact)

Influence is the ability to affect outcomes and inspire people. It is strengthened by a gracious personality, divine favor, and meaningful relationships. As God lifts you, He often introduces you to circles of influence—communities and networks that shape destiny. Over time, these connections expand your reach and authority. The goal is clear: within your lifetime, kings must come to you.

Possessing Wisdom to Reign on Earth

Proverbs 8:15 declares, “By me kings reign, and rulers decree

justice.” As a believer, God has ordained you for kingship. You are destined to reign on the earth, and the pathway to that dominion is wisdom. Wisdom enables you to discern what to do and what to avoid. It brings clarity, direction, and precision to your decisions, positioning you for effective leadership and lasting influence. To reign without wisdom is to struggle; but to reign with wisdom is to walk in authority with understanding. Wisdom aligns your actions with divine purpose and empowers you to function at the level God has ordained for your life.

God Raises up Kings

Daniel 2:21 affirms, “And He changes the times and the seasons; He removes kings and raises up kings; He gives wisdom to the wise and knowledge to those who have understanding.” God is sovereign over leadership—He is the One who establishes and dethrones kings. He not only raises leaders but also equips them with the wisdom required to function effectively. In 1 Samuel 2:35, the Scripture says, “Then I will raise up for Myself a faithful priest who shall do according to what is in My heart and in My mind. I will build him a sure house, and he shall walk before My anointed forever.” This passage reveals that God raises faithful priests—servants who align with His will and purpose. In the same way, God raises kings—men and women entrusted with authority and responsibility in various spheres of life. Being raised as a minister of God in the church is a sign of faithfulness in priesthood. Likewise, being positioned in places of authority reflects God’s hand in establishing kingship. Both priests and kings are ministers—one primarily unto God, the other among men. Romans 13:4 declares, “For he is God’s minister to you for good...” Those in positions of governance are ministers of God, appointed to

uphold justice and order. Presidents, governors, and leaders in authority serve as instruments through which God administers His purposes in society. God is raising you as a king on the earth. You must trust Him to grant you access to everything required for your assignment. Your life needs the release of spiritual, intellectual, and practical resources that will empower you to reign. As you grow in wisdom and alignment with God, you will step fully into your ordained place of dominion.

PATHWAYS TO KINGSHIP

The Unveiling of God's Path

Psalm 16:11 states, “You will show me the path of life...” This affirms a profound truth: God has a specific path designed for your life. He has a destination in mind for you, and His plans are intentional and purposeful. However, reaching that destination requires walking in the path He has ordained. It is one thing to perceive the path God has set before you; it is another thing to walk faithfully in it. There is a divinely appointed path that makes your journey purposeful and progressive, even though it may not always be easy. Consider the Israelites: ***God led them through the Red Sea and into the wilderness.*** There was a shorter route available, but God deliberately chose another path for them. He knew that if they encountered certain battles too early, they might lose heart and return to the bondage from which they had been delivered. Even on the path God chose for them, they still faced challenges and obstacles. This teaches an important lesson: the path of God is not devoid of difficulties. Challenges are not a sign that you are on the wrong path; rather, they are often part of the process of growth and fulfillment. The real

choice before you is whether to walk in God's path or to create your own. Both paths may present difficulties, but only God's path leads to destiny. God's desire is that you find yourself walking in the path He has prepared for you. He is committed to showing you that path. Therefore, you must be intentional in seeking Him. Pray sincerely, "**Father, show me the path of life allotted to me.**" When the Lord reveals His path to you, it is a clear sign of His mercy at work in your life.

Seeing God's path is closely tied to receiving divine direction. Direction comes from alignment with His will. In life, it is either you walk in direction or you remain in confusion. Where there is direction, confusion cannot thrive; and where confusion prevails, direction is absent. As you walk with God, He will continually guide you and fill your heart with clarity. Proverbs 4:18 says, "But the path of the just is like the shining sun, that shines ever brighter unto the perfect day." This means that the path God reveals becomes clearer and brighter as you walk in it. Illumination increases with obedience. The moment you begin to walk in God's ordained path, your life begins to shine progressively. Your journey is not meant to grow dim, but brighter with each passing day. As you remain aligned with God's path, you will experience increasing clarity, purpose, and fulfillment all the days of your life.

Be Careful of the Things You Do Today

You must be mindful of the choices you make today so that you do not miss your place tomorrow. Your present actions have a direct impact on the future God has prepared for you. There are individuals who never recover from missing divine timing or purpose. King Saul, for instance, lost the throne and never regained that opportunity. In 1 Kings 19:15–16, God instructed

the prophet Elijah: “Go, return on your way to the Wilderness of Damascus; and when you arrive, anoint Hazael as king over Syria. Also you shall anoint Jehu the son of Nimshi as king over Israel. And Elisha the son of Shaphat of Abel Meholah you shall anoint as prophet in your place.” This passage reveals God’s deliberate plan for succession. The spirit that rested upon Elijah was transferred to Elisha because of his diligence, loyalty, and commitment to service. However, not everyone positioned for greatness steps into it. Gehazi, the servant of Elisha, is a sobering example. In 2 Kings 5:20, he said, “Look, my master has spared Naaman this Syrian...” Driven by greed, Gehazi pursued personal gain and, in doing so, disqualified himself from a greater inheritance. Though he stood in a similar position of mentorship as Elisha once did under Elijah, he missed the transference of grace and anointing.

The consequence of his actions is recorded in 2 Kings 5:25–27. When confronted, Gehazi lied, and Elisha pronounced judgment: “Therefore the leprosy of Naaman shall cling to you and your descendants forever.” Instantly, he became leprous and was cast out. His momentary decision affected not only his life but also generations after him. Yet, Scripture gives us a glimpse of what could have been. In 2 Kings 8:1–5, Gehazi is found speaking with the king, recounting the miracles performed through Elisha. This moment reflects the kind of influence he was destined to have—standing before kings and engaging at the highest level. However, he did not step fully into that destiny. Though he found himself in the palace, he remained marked by leprosy, a reminder of the opportunity he forfeited.

In 2 Kings 7, we read about four leprous men at the city gate—Gehazi is believed to have been among them. Through their

actions, news reached the king, leading to a national breakthrough. Even in his fallen state, traces of his intended purpose were evident. Yet, his disobedience prevented him from fully becoming what God had designed him to be. Gehazi was meant to succeed Elisha and function as a prophet to kings, but he missed his place. Your decisions today carry weight. They can either align you with God's purpose or divert you from it. Consider Joseph: had he yielded to the advances of his master's wife, he might have remained in comfort within that household. He may even have appeared favored. Yet, he would have missed the divine process that led him to the palace. It was through the prison that he encountered those connected to his destiny, and ultimately, those who spoke of him to the king. The truth is simple, yet profound: what you do today shapes your tomorrow. Some actions position you for destiny, while others can derail you from it. Therefore, you must exercise discernment. Avoid what you know is contrary to your calling, and remain committed to righteousness. Pray earnestly that God will continually open your eyes to the things you must avoid, so that you do not miss your place on the path of destiny. It is my desire that you will not miss your place of glory, but that you will walk fully in all that God has ordained for your life.

Be Intentional in Training and Building Your Children

Deuteronomy 28:49–50 says, “The Lord will bring a nation against you from afar, from the end of the earth, as swift as the eagle flies, a nation whose language you will not understand, a nation of fierce countenance, which does not respect the elderly nor show favor to the young.” This passage reveals the consequences of a generation lacking honor and respect. When proper training is absent, values such as respect for elders

and kindness toward others begin to decline. In contrast, the children of Israel were given divine laws—the commandments—which established a culture of honor, responsibility, and reverence. Embedded within these instructions is the principle of showing respect, not only to parents but also to others in society. Children are to be raised with a deep sense of honor for the elderly and a heart that expresses favor and kindness toward all. In our time, there is a rising generation that must be deliberately guided to cultivate these virtues. Respect is not automatic; it is taught, modeled, and reinforced. As a parent, you must intentionally instill the value of respect in the hearts of your children from an early age. Teach them not only what is right, but also how to live it out in their daily interactions. The responsibility of training children must not be left solely in the hands of teachers or institutions. Parents are the first teachers and primary influencers in a child's life. The home is the foundation where values are formed and character is shaped. Therefore, it must become the culture of every family to practice and promote honor, respect, and kindness. Be deliberate in building your children. Trust God to help you instill the right attitudes, values, and behaviors in them. Do not neglect this sacred responsibility, for the future of your children—and the strength of society—depends greatly on the quality of the training they receive today.

Seven Kinds of Kings among Men

a. The Spiritual King

The crown of the spiritual king is the anointing. It is the anointing that distinguishes and enthrones an individual in the realm of the Spirit. The oil poured upon David signified

this divine empowerment. It is the anointing upon certain individuals that establishes them as spiritual kings. When such individuals stand to bless others, they function within their spiritual office as kings. Church leaders—apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors, and teachers—operate within this dimension of kingship.

b. The Political or Governing King

These are individuals placed in authority over nations, states, and cities. They function within the sphere of governance and wield influence over public affairs. Romans 13:1 declares, “Let every soul be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and the authorities that exist are appointed by God.” Political leaders rise by divine permission and, often, by the consent of the people. They serve as God’s representatives in the administration of justice and order among men. No authority exists outside the allowance of God. Even Pharaoh, who oppressed the Israelites, was permitted within God’s sovereign plan, and Cyrus was called God’s anointed. There are clear instructions given to believers concerning governing authorities:

- i. ***Be subject to them (Romans 13:1–7).***
- ii. ***Pray for them (1 Timothy 2:1–4).***
- iii. ***Reverence and respect them (Proverbs 24:21).***
- iv. ***Honor them (1 Peter 2:17).***

c. The Commercial or Business King

Job 1:3 describes Job as a man of immense wealth and influence: “...so that this man was the greatest of all the people of the East.” Job exemplifies a commercial or business king. His vast possessions and enterprise made him a leader in commerce.

In this dimension, vision is the crown. The inspiration to build, create, and lead in business is what sets a commercial king apart. Such individuals carry the capacity to generate wealth, create opportunities, and influence economies.

d. The Career and Industry King

These are individuals who excel in specific fields or industries through divine endowment. Exodus 31:1–6 highlights Bezalel and Aholiab, whom God filled with wisdom, understanding, and skill for craftsmanship. Their expertise set them apart. An industry king is marked by exceptional knowledge and competence—abilities that are often uncommon and divinely inspired. Such individuals shape industries and set standards of excellence within their fields.

e. The Royal King

Royal kings are monarchs—individuals born or installed into traditional rulership over communities or nations. They carry inherited authority and function as custodians of culture, tradition, and leadership within their domains.

f. The Financial King

A financial king is one who commands significant wealth and uses it to influence people and systems. Job again serves as an example, as seen in Job 29:25, where he functioned with authority, leadership, and generosity. Financial kings possess the capacity to fund visions, empower others, and shape economic realities.

g. The Family or Community King

This dimension of kingship operates within smaller relational

structures such as families and communities. In every group, there is often a central figure who provides direction and leadership. In a family setting, the firstborn may naturally assume a position of leadership, but true kingship is not merely by birth—it is by capacity and grace. Joseph, though not the firstborn biologically, emerged as the foremost in greatness among his brothers. To function effectively as a king within a family or community, you must trust God for:

- i. ***The blessing of God, which empowers and enriches your life.***
- ii. ***Wisdom, which enables you to lead and influence others effectively.***

Wisdom remains the principal force behind effective leadership. It is through wisdom that you reign and exercise meaningful authority among people.

The Culture of Kings

Ecclesiastes 8:4 says, “Where the word of a king is, there is power; and who may say to him, ‘What are you doing?’” This Scripture reveals that kingship is not merely a position—it is a culture expressed through authority, character, and conduct. You must first identify where you belong among the various dimensions of kingship. Some may find expression in multiple spheres—three, four, or even more—and a few may be privileged to operate across all dimensions. Once you recognize your sphere, your responsibility is to reign effectively within it. Reigning begins with intentional living. You must consciously cultivate the lifestyle of a king. It starts with your mindset and extends to your speech, conduct, relationships, and even your prayer life. It is possible to pray like a beggar when you are called to reign as a king. There is a posture, a confidence, and an understanding that must reflect in your

approach to life. Kings carry themselves with dignity. They are deliberate in their speech, refined in their behavior, and disciplined in their appearance. Even in the simplest acts—such as eating or interacting—there is a sense of order and composure. These qualities do not emerge by chance; they are learned and practiced. When you have the opportunity to be around people who operate with excellence and authority, observe them carefully. Study how they think, speak, and act. In 1 Samuel 10:25, the Bible says, “Then Samuel explained to the people the behavior of royalty, and wrote it in a book.” This shows that there is a defined pattern—a code of conduct—for those who would function in leadership and authority. You must develop the behavior of royalty. Equip yourself with knowledge by reading and learning the principles that govern leadership in your sphere. Train yourself to think, speak, work, and present yourself as one entrusted with authority. However, living like a king does not mean speaking with arrogance or pride. Avoid pompous and boastful language. True kings do not rely on arrogance; they reign through wisdom, understanding, and the effective use of words. Words are instruments of authority—they shape outcomes and direct the course of life. No matter your present circumstances or the challenges surrounding you, learn to issue decrees aligned with your desired future. Your life will often move in the direction of your words. It is through words that night seasons are transformed into mornings. If you do not understand the power of words, you have yet to fully grasp the essence of reigning. Kings rule through right words—words that are intentional, faith-filled, and aligned with purpose. Such words carry force, and they bring about change. To reign effectively, you must embrace the culture of kingship—thinking rightly, speaking wisely, and living intentionally.

GOD: THE SOURCE OF PROVISION AND PROSPERITY

Understanding Scarcity within the Human Economy

God did not create money; it is a system developed by men. Governments across nations establish currencies as instruments of trade and control, which is why different nations operate with different monetary systems. Likewise, the concept of an economy, as we know it today, is a product of human wisdom and organization. Within human systems, scarcity often exists as a controlling mechanism. It defines the difference between abundance and lack, between plenty and insufficiency. In many cases, scarcity is sustained through policies and regulations that limit access and concentrate resources in the hands of a few. It can be used as a tool to manage, restrict, and influence the lives of many.

God: The Source of Your Provision and Prosperity

Unlike human systems, God's economy is not governed by scarcity. While human economies may operate on limitation, God operates in abundance. Therefore, you must come to a set-

tled understanding that God is your ultimate source of provision and prosperity. Whatever you receive—whether as salary, profit, or reward—is merely a channel through which provision flows. God remains the Source. When this truth becomes a revelation in your heart, it transforms how you respond to needs. Instead of relying solely on human assistance, you learn to turn first to God. Too often, when people face needs, their first instinct is to consider who to call for help, neglecting the place of God. True wisdom, however, is to speak to your Source. When you do, God can move through people in ways beyond your imagination. He can touch hearts and orchestrate help without struggle or manipulation on your part. You must continually see God as your Source—not only in times of need but in every season of life. God is not only able to meet your needs; He is also able to make you a channel of blessing to others. His intention is that your life becomes a resource through which others are blessed. As you recognize God as your Source, approach Him freely and confidently. Do not limit your relationship with Him to moments of lack. Seek Him consistently for increase, guidance, and insight. At the same time, learn how to receive from Him. Sometimes, God has already released answers, but they go unnoticed because you are not discerning His ways. Be attentive to the blessings, opportunities, and insights God sends your way. Remain sensitive to the light He brings into your heart. Speak to Him openly about your finances, and trust Him completely. There is no lack in heaven, and as you align with God, you will learn how to receive from His abundance.

Maximizing Your Time for Optimal Productivity

As a professional, you must learn to manage and maximize your time effectively. Your day should be structured

with intention—allocating time for work, rest, and purposeful growth. Beyond these, the remaining time should be invested in three critical areas:

i. Time with God

Set aside dedicated time to commune with your Creator—your Heavenly Father. This may include studying the Scriptures, prayer, worship, and quiet reflection. This time strengthens your spiritual life and aligns you with divine direction.

ii. Personal Growth and Development

Invest in yourself daily. Just as your body grows through physical nourishment, your mind and soul grow through learning and reflection. Read, listen, and engage with valuable and insightful content. Set aside time for meditation and planning—thinking about your future, your family, and your personal advancement. Ask yourself: How can a full day pass without adding value to my life? Even if it is one hour, commit it to growth. Avoid turning this time into mere leisure. Use it to develop yourself in areas such as family life, career, finances, leadership, and relationships.

iii. Connection with Others

Create time to engage with the external world. Build and maintain relationships with friends, colleagues, associates, and extended family. Growth is not only internal; it is also relational. Take time to communicate—through calls, messages, or meaningful interactions. A balanced life includes both personal development and relational investment.

God's Blessings and Approval on Your Commitment

Deuteronomy 33:11 declares, “Bless his substance, Lord, and

accept the work of his hands; strike the loins of those who rise against him, and of those who hate him, that they rise not again.” The Message (MSG) version renders it this way: “God, bless his commitment; stamp your seal of approval on what he does. Disable the loins of those who defy him; make sure we’ve heard the last from those who hate him.” This was the blessing Moses pronounced upon the tribe of Levi. There is something to which you are committed. Whatever you are committed to will demand your time, attention, and energy. Commitment means giving yourself wholly and intentionally to a cause; it reflects focus, dedication, and consistency. There is an assignment, a vision, a task, or a practice to which you have devoted yourself—something that God desires to bless. Your efforts and dedication will not be in vain, for God is able to bless your commitment. He can place His seal of approval upon the work of your hands, and when He does, it brings undeniable favor. Divine approval produces endorsement that no human opposition can overturn. What God approves, no one can reject or successfully oppose. Anyone who rises against what God has favored will ultimately be brought to nothing. Therefore, seek the seal of God’s approval upon all that you do. Trust Him to bless your commitment and establish the works of your hands. When God places His approval upon your life, your efforts become fruitful, your path becomes established, and your results become undeniable.

GIVE THANKS TO GOD AND WORK CONSISTENTLY IN SILENCE

Understanding the Apostolic Charge

Epistle to the Philippians 4:4–7 says, “Rejoice in the Lord always. Again I will say, rejoice! ... Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.” These Scriptural verses constitute an apostolic charge delivered by Paul the Apostle to the believers in Philippi. In life, there will inevitably be moments when anxiety seeks to take hold. At times, the fear of the unknown may attempt to overwhelm your heart. Yet, as a believer, you are instructed to be anxious for nothing. Rejoicing in the Lord is not a suggestion—it is a command, and it is within your power to obey. If you find yourself waiting for visible or physical circumstances before you rejoice, it reflects a level of spiritual immaturity. Many rejoice only when something great, marvelous, or extraordinary happens in their lives, responding solely to external conditions. As a believer, you

must not be driven by outward manifestations before offering thanks to God. Rather, you are to take charge of your inner life. The circumstances of life should not control you—you are to govern them through your faith. Many Christians have not yet learned how to exercise victory over sorrow. However, through the Spirit of God and the Word of God, you have been granted the capacity to live above such limitations. The Spirit within you is not sorrowful; therefore, you should not yield to sorrow. It is within your power to rejoice at all times. When thoughts about the future arise and uncertainties surround you, the Scripture remains clear: be anxious for nothing. Instead, through prayer and supplication, present your requests to God. However, presenting requests alone is not enough. If your prayers are not accompanied by thanksgiving, you have not fully practiced this Scripture. Thanksgiving must become a daily, intentional discipline. When things are going well, give thanks to God. When things are not going well, still give thanks to God. When you support your requests with thanksgiving, you position yourself to experience the peace of God that surpasses all understanding. This divine peace guards your heart and mind and removes anxiety. It brings with it a quiet assurance—a settled conviction—that your future is secure and that all things are working together for your good.

Let Your Praises Be More than Your Requests

Your praises should outweigh your requests. This is a principle you must consciously and intentionally practice: praise God more than you ask of Him. While you are encouraged to boldly present your needs—whether they are many or few—you must discipline yourself to abound more in praise than in petitions. Ecclesiastes 3:1 declares, “To everything there is a season, a time

for every purpose under heaven.” There is a divinely appointed time for every individual. You have your season of manifestation. There are moments ordained by God when certain things will unfold in your life, and nothing can alter His divine timing. You must remain convinced that your time will come. If it has not yet arrived, exercise patience, for it surely will. When your appointed time comes, opportunities will appear, promises will become fulfillment, desires will turn into testimonies, and prayer requests will be answered. There are certain things that will occur in your life—not merely because of persistent prayer—but because you are aligned with divine timing.

Never Be Unhappy with Yourself When Your Friends Are Making Progress

You must become the kind of person who never permits sorrow to take root in your heart because of the progress of others. Do not be unhappy with yourself when your friends are advancing in life. You have your own appointed time. It is painful to become trapped in comparison, especially when you are unaware of what God has prepared ahead for you. If your eyes were opened to see what will unfold in your life in the next two to five years—even without your present prayers and requests—you would not allow anxiety to dwell in your heart. Do not fix your attention on what God is doing in the lives of others while neglecting His plans for your own life. It may be their time today, but your time is also coming. Never be unhappy with yourself because others are making progress. Instead, rejoice in the Lord. Praise Him for what He is doing in their lives, and remain fully persuaded that His plans for you will unfold at the appointed time. Each time you become unhappy with yourself, it reflects a subtle form of questioning God’s dealings in your life. Yet, God is leading you

through a process, and He knows the best path for you. You must not resist that path, for it leads to your ordained destination.

Always maintain a joyful disposition. When you are alone and begin to feel lonely, confused, or uncertain about the direction of your life, you must make a conscious shift. Turn your heart toward praise. Be discerning enough to recognize when the enemy seeks to cloud your mind with darkness and confusion in order to hinder your progress. At such moments, lift your voice in praise. Sing unto the Lord. Thank Him for what He has done, what He is doing, and what He will yet do in your life. Recall His past faithfulness. As you do, faith will begin to rise within you, and you will find yourself declaring God's Word with conviction: "I am making progress. I am unstoppable. My life is moving forward. I am not small." Even in moments of uncertainty, remind yourself that you are closer than ever to what God has prepared for you. Exalt the Lord continually and bless His name for His ongoing work in your life. One principle to embrace early in life is the refusal to entertain pity. Do not permit people to feel sorry for you. There may be seasons that are painful, overwhelming, and even bring you to tears, but do not allow sympathy to create a culture of sorrow around your life. Instead, combine praise with bold declarations. Fix your focus on the future God has prepared for you. Glorify Him with the assurance that all things are working together for your good. Thank God for your progress, even when it seems gradual. Appreciate Him for every new level. This is how you make the necessary shift. If you do not learn how to turn to praise, the enemy will attempt to make you feel inferior. Refuse to be pitied. Rather, establish an atmosphere of praise around your life and expect all things to turn in your favor.

Stop seeking people who will sympathize with you. Instead, encourage yourself in the Lord. You are not where you used to be—you are making progress. Remain confident that God will manifest Himself in your life, and that something great and remarkable will come forth from your journey. When challenges arise, exalt God in the midst of them. When questions come—**“Why is this happening to me?”**—choose instead to lift your voice in praise. You may not fully understand where you will be in the next few years, but be assured that your future is secure and that you are advancing into all that God has ordained for you. Even when others gather around you with pity, do not yield to it. Turn instead to thanksgiving and praise. Some people look outward for encouragement, but you must learn to strengthen yourself in the Lord. The Spirit of God within you reveals glimpses of your future and enables you to see beyond your present circumstances. As you focus on that vision, you will gain clarity on how to walk into your destiny. The enemy may attempt to manipulate your thoughts and lead you into blaming God. Reject such thoughts. Give thanks instead. What you may call **“trouble”** is often a transition. What appears to be a problem is, in truth, God positioning you for what He has prepared. Do not allow the enemy to mislabel your process. Refuse to be deceived. Guard your heart against sorrow. There are seasons when the way forward is not through analysis, but through praise. Sing your way through. Worship your way through. Do not allow discouragement to take hold of you. Your life is progressing. You are advancing. Help is coming your way. You will not miss the opportunities or the blessings God has prepared for you. In your private moments, deepen your praise—sing, dance, and rejoice before the Lord. Do not dwell on the negative whispers of the enemy. Fix your heart

on God's promises and His Word. When the enemy suggests stagnation, boldly declare your progress. When he suggests regression, affirm your forward movement. God has never destined you to go backward. Declare it with confidence: ***you are moving forward into a new season.*** Your future was perfected in God even before your creation. When you dwell excessively on problems, you open the door to deception. Instead, in the midst of every challenge, say, "***Thank You, Lord Jesus.***" Refuse to go backward. Move forward boldly. You are empowered by God, and the strength to advance is already at work within you.

Work Consistently in Silence

After you have praised God, given thanks, and made declarations over your life, rise and get to work. Begin to labor in silence. Commit yourself to consistent, focused effort away from the noise of comparison and distraction. As you walk with God, He will open your eyes to what must be done and guide you into the actions you need to take. Through His leading, you will discern the right path and the strategies required for progress. When clarity comes, do not delay—engage in diligent work, quietly and steadily. There is a profound pattern in the way God operates: ***He works in silence before unveiling His greater plans.*** He perfects His work in secret and reveals it openly at the appointed time. You are called to follow this pattern. Therefore, work in silence. Refuse to measure your journey against that of others. Instead, ***recognize your assignments and give yourself wholly to them.*** The plans God has for you will surely come to pass, but you must cultivate the focus and inner strength required to labor faithfully in obscurity. Trust Him to supply both. From this day forward, develop the discipline of working in silence. Praise will reveal direction, but it is your responsibility

to act on what you have been shown. Do not give room to idleness. Continue in thanksgiving, and remain steadfast in your work. The enemy often seeks to distract you with activities that pull you away from what truly matters. At times, sorrow and discouragement may attempt to cloud your vision and hinder your ability to act wisely. But in the atmosphere of praise, light breaks forth, and clarity is restored.

Take deliberate steps—one at a time—based on the direction you receive. Move quietly. Stay consistent. When you choose to work in silence, you deny the enemy access to your progress. He cannot hinder what he cannot clearly see or disrupt. Understand that when you are working in silence, your efforts may go unnoticed. There may be no applause, no recognition, and no immediate appreciation. Yet, you must continue. You do not require the validation of others to remain committed to your work. In time, your consistent efforts will accumulate. They will build steadily until they produce undeniable results. It is the outcome—your success—that will be seen and celebrated, even though the process that produced it remained hidden. Do not grow weary in your efforts. Your labor will not be in vain. Do not rush toward visible success without first embracing the discipline of silent work. True and lasting success is built in quiet seasons of dedication. When you remain faithful in this process, you position yourself beyond the reach of distraction and manipulation. Stay committed. Stay focused. Keep working in silence—and in due time, your results will speak.

EXCELLING DESPITE CHALLENGES

God's Plan for Your Life

The plan of God for your life is to excel in spite of any problems, challenges, and situations of life. It is possible to excel in the midst of challenges and opposition against your life. It is also possible not to experience setback and backwardness in life. You are destined to go forward regardless of the situation of life. Do not permit the enemy to cloud your mind with darkness or discouragement. Whatever comes your way, God is involved. He has great plans for your life. Psalm 44:3–5 says, “For they did not gain possession of the land by their own sword...But it was Your right hand, Your arm...Because You favored them. You are my King, O God; command victories for Jacob...” The scriptural passage reveals that it is possible to gain possession of the land because of favor. It is possible for things to happen in your life effortlessly by favor. The children of Israel are favored by the Lord. Certain things happen in your life based on the favor of God upon your life. God will command victories for you through favor. The victories God has for you are activated through your words. You must cultivate the habit of speaking victory daily

through your words. Every day you wake up, you open your mouth to proclaim your victories. You have to speak victory over your life, movement, and the work of your hands. As you align your words with God's promises, you position yourself to experience the victories He has already prepared for you.

What Does It Mean to Excel?

To excel means:

- a. **To be exceptionally good.**
- b. **To become better and greater.**
- c. **To surpass and go beyond previous limits.**

This is your season to rise above your current level—beyond your past achievements, plans, and expectations—by the power of the excelling Spirit.

Be an Imitator

The life of the Apostle Paul provides a powerful example of excelling despite challenges. In 2 Corinthians 11:5, he said, "For I consider that I am not at all inferior to the most eminent apostles." All the apostles of Jesus Christ manifested all-round success. Apostle Paul considered himself not to be inferior to the apostles in impact. Similarly, 2 Corinthians 12:11 reads, "...for in nothing was I behind the most eminent apostles, though I am nothing." The people called the eminent apostles are those who worked with Jesus Christ during His lifetime. Apostle Paul wasn't below the apostles of Jesus Christ. Apostle Paul had accomplished most of the things the apostles in the old had accomplished. 2 Corinthians 6:4–10 says, "...But in all things we commend ourselves as ministers of God: in much patience, in tribulations, in needs, in distresses, in stripes, in imprisonments, in tumults, in labors, in sleeplessness, in

fastings...” Apostle Paul went through things that made him patient. He performed diverse kinds of miracles. He was considered as “god” among men. He had revelation and wisdom. However, he went through things that can be called tribulations and issues of life. Believers should learn to be patient and courageous. There were times Apostle Paul had needs. Those who are ahead of you also went through things. When you go through challenges, don’t be moved. Apostle Paul went through a lot, yet he survived them all and excelled. It doesn’t matter what things you are going through; you will excel.

2 Corinthians 11:23–28 declares, “Are they ministers of Christ?—I speak as a fool—I am more: in labors more abundant, in stripes above measure, in prisons more frequently, in deaths often. From the Jews five times I received forty stripes minus one. Three times I was beaten with rods...” This scriptural passage captures the things Apostle Paul went through during his earthly life. Apostle Paul was beaten, yet he excelled. He engaged in fasting sometimes because he had no food to eat. Considering the things Paul the Apostle went through in life, he still excelled. Many things came to stop Paul the Apostle, but he remained unhindered and unstoppable. The things meant to stop him became the ladder for the next level. Regardless of the challenges that come your way, you will excel and accomplish your vision, plan, and goal. The new personality about you will emerge. Nothing should stop your accomplishments in life. Needs, enemies, and opposition may want to stop you, but you must remain unstoppable. Nothing will stop you in glory and manifestations. You move from expectations of promises to experiencing the manifestation of the promises. You shall excel in spite of the challenges of life. You shall surpass your current level. You shall progress effortlessly in

life and surpass your current status. Challenges of life won't be able to stop you. Every challenge that wants to come your way won't be able to overcome and overpower you. Hunger and thirst couldn't stop Apostle Paul. You shall experience daily progress and transformation. Your newness in appearance, accomplishments, association, knowledge of God, success, and progress will emerge.

The Secrets to the Excelling of Paul the Apostle

a. The Acknowledgment of the Grace of God upon His Life

1 Corinthians 15:10 says, "But by the grace of God I am what I am, and His grace toward me was not in vain; but I labored more abundantly than they all, yet not I, but the grace of God which was with me." Paul acknowledged the grace of God on his life. Anyone who will excel regardless of the challenges must carry grace. Grace has many dimensions in expression. When grace is at work, there will be favor at work in your life. Favor makes you to be preferred where you should be rejected. Favor makes you to be loved by people. Through grace, the challenges of life won't be able to stop you. Apostle Paul went through many challenges of life. Paul accomplished things as the result of the grace of God upon his life. Grace makes things that should work against you to work for you. Grace is also special abilities within you to carry out tasks and responsibilities. Grace propels lifting in your life. The way God lifts the humble person is by placing grace on such people. Grace must be on the increase in your life so as to excel in life. You can get one of my books titled "**Grace Factor.**"

Channels through Which Grace Comes

There are certain graces that will increase upon your life through prayers. Also, there is a grace that comes through giving. When you are someone who has revelational knowledge, grace will increase in your life. Impartation also produces grace in the life of people. Listening to teachings and spiritual messages in the areas of your desire produces grace. There are teachings you will listen to that will increase grace in your life. Therefore, the grace of God on your life must be more than the challenges that come your way. Grace conditions your atmosphere and environment for excelling.

b. Speaking in Tongues Regularly

1 Corinthians 14:18 says, “I thank my God I speak with tongues more than you all.” Apostle Paul speaks in tongues a lot. Speaking in tongues is one of the advantages you have in God. The reason Paul wasn’t inferior to other apostles was that he spoke in tongues more than they all. He came into many dimensions in God through praying in the Spirit. One of the secrets you must add to your life is by speaking in tongues consistently. When you practice speaking in tongues regularly, you will overcome challenges of life. When you speak in tongues, you are communicating with God. In any state of challenges you find yourself, you should praise God and speak in tongues. When you praise God in the midst of the challenges, joy will overflow into your heart and you will be strengthened. However, speaking in tongues will bring you into the secrets you should engage, and help you know things faster. You build yourself up by speaking in tongues. You rise above the ground, normal, and earthly by speaking in tongues. He made diverse kinds of unusual miracles through speaking in tongues. His impacts and successes were much by speaking in tongues. You will come

into revealed knowledge when you pray in tongues. You will rise above challenges by speaking in tongues. Any challenge of life that cannot stop you from speaking in tongues cannot stop you from excelling in life. You should engage in daily intensive praying in tongues. You should speak in tongues more. Are you currently going through challenges of life? You can set aside three days of your week to pray in tongues regularly. You pray at least one hour in the morning and evening. You don't need to shout or speak at the top of your voice while speaking in tongues. When you get to the point where you don't feel like praying, you should pray in tongues. Sometimes when you speak in tongues, you are speaking to God, addressing certain challenges of life, and speaking to angels. You may be moved to speak with angelic tongues. You may express dryness at the beginning of speaking in tongues, but when you continue speaking, you will express overflowing utterances. When you wake up at midnight from sleep, you can pray in tongues. 1 Corinthians 14:18 reads, "I thank my God I speak with tongues more than you all." Every time you pray in tongues, it is your spirit that prays and speaks. Whatever challenges that come against you are targeted against your body and soul. No challenge of life can come against your human spirit. Your spirit man is found in Christ Jesus. As you speak in tongues, be sensitive to the light, direction, and insight that come into your heart. You have the responsibility to translate the pictures in your mind into actions while you pray in tongues.

c. He Had Abundance of Revelation and Direction

2 Corinthians 12:7 speaks of the abundance of revelations given to Paul. Revelation is essential for excelling in life. It provides insight into God's Word and direction for your

decisions. 2 Corinthians 12:7 states, “And lest I should be exalted above measure by the abundance of the revelations...” Abundance of revelation was given to Paul. You can receive the revelation of the Scripture. The things you receive from the Holy Spirit are revelation also. You need revelation for your work, family, and ministry. Your revelation must be in balance—you should have the revelation of the things Christ Jesus has done and the revelation of the things you should do. Through the abundance of revelation, you will know the things to do. Also, you gain clarity on your assignment, your relationships, and your work. It empowers you to act with precision and confidence.

d. He Labored More Abundantly

1 Corinthians 15:10 declares, “...I labored more abundantly than they all, yet not I, but the grace of God which was with me.” Paul worked more than other people, apostles, and teachers. He worked more than others. He wasn’t inferior to the other eminent apostles because he worked more than they all. When others were sleeping, he was studying and working. When others were resting and discussing, he was engaging his time productively. He knew how to be productive in any situation. In the prison, he was productive. Never permit any situation of life to overwhelm your heart. Let the responsibility at hand be your focus. Occupy your mind with your new success in view. You should be actively doing the needful in the midst of challenges of life. Never get to the point where you will be asking, “God, why am I going through these challenges, problems, and situations?” You should be swift in embracing responsibility and doing the needful. You should combine all these secrets together for your excelling in life. This is the time to speak in tongues and work a

lot. Nothing will stop your excelling in life as you are determined to practice the secrets of Paul the Apostle in your life.

Final Charge

Excelling in life requires a combination of grace, spiritual discipline, revelation, and diligent effort. When these principles work together, nothing can stop your progress. This is your season to rise, to advance, and to excel. No challenge will be strong enough to hold you back as you align with these truths and walk in them consistently.

CONCLUSION

You have come to the end of this book, but this is not the end of your journey—it is the beginning. Everything you have read in these pages has been designed to awaken something within you, to stir the kingly anointing that has always resided in your spirit, and to equip you with the wisdom and discipline required to walk in authority. Now, the question is not what you know, but what you will do with what you know.

Kingship is not a title you claim—it is a life you live. It is expressed through diligence, character, wisdom, and consistent action. It is seen in how you handle opportunities, how you treat people, how you guard your words, and how you steward the grace that has been placed upon your life. Every principle laid out in this book—from standing before kings to becoming a king, from sitting with kings to excelling in spite of challenges—requires your active participation. Knowledge without application produces nothing. But when you align your life with these truths and walk them out daily, transformation is inevitable.

You have learned that to stand before kings, you must first excel where you are. You must give your best in every season,

even when no one is watching. Your reputation is being built today through the quality of your work, the integrity of your character, and the value you bring to those around you. Do not despise small beginnings. The service you render to ordinary people today is the foundation upon which your access to kings tomorrow will be built. Be diligent. Be excellent. Be consistent.

You have also learned that kingship is not reserved for a select few—it is accessible to all who are willing to pursue it with discipline and faith. Whether through leadership, vision, wealth, or influence, you have the capacity to rise into authority within your sphere. But with kingship comes responsibility. You must guard your tongue, handle confidential matters with discretion, and maintain integrity in all your dealings. Kings do not speak carelessly. They do not betray trust. They do not compromise their character for temporary gain. Let these principles govern your life.

The call to sit with kings requires intentionality. Build meaningful relationships. Network with people of substance. Give honor where it is due. Never visit a king empty-handed. Be someone who adds value, not someone who merely seeks to extract it. And when you are granted access to sit with kings, understand the weight of that privilege. You will hear things that must not be repeated. You will see things that must remain private. Your loyalty, discretion, and wisdom will determine whether you remain in that circle or lose your place. Guard your heart, guard your words, and guard the trust placed in you.

Excelling in spite of challenges is not optional—it is the mark of a true king. The Apostle Paul endured beatings, shipwrecks, hunger, and imprisonment, yet he excelled beyond measure. His secrets were clear: he acknowledged the grace of God, he prayed in tongues consistently, he received abundant revelation,

and he labored more than others. These same keys are available to you. Do not permit challenges to define you. Do not allow opposition to stop you. Rise above every obstacle through grace, spiritual discipline, revelation, and hard work. Your future is not determined by what comes against you but by how you respond to it.

You have also been reminded of the power of thanksgiving and consistent work in silence. Many people complain more than they give thanks. Others talk more than they work. But kings operate differently. They praise God in the midst of challenges. They refuse to permit sorrow, comparison, or self-pity to cloud their hearts. They work diligently in silence, trusting that God will unveil their efforts at the appointed time. Cultivate this discipline. Let your praises outweigh your requests. Let your labor speak louder than your words. Work in silence, and let your success make the noise.

As you close this book, I charge you to take action. Do not merely agree with these truths—live them. Identify the areas where you have been careless and bring discipline. Recognize the relationships you need to build and take steps to cultivate them. Acknowledge the grace upon your life and labor alongside it. Pray in tongues regularly. Seek revelation. Work diligently. Give thanks consistently. Refuse to be stopped by challenges. Refuse to be distracted by the progress of others. Stay focused on your assignment, and trust God to bring you into the fullness of what He has prepared for you.

Your time is coming. The doors that have been shut will open. The favor you have been praying for will manifest. The opportunities you have been waiting for will appear. But you must be ready. You must be prepared. You must walk in the character, discipline, and wisdom of a king. God has already

positioned you for greatness—now it is your responsibility to step into it.

You are a king. You are called to stand before kings. You are destined to sit with kings. And ultimately, you are equipped to become a king in your own right. Do not shrink back from this calling. Do not permit fear, doubt, or past failures to disqualify you. God has crowned you with glory and honor. He has placed His anointing upon you. He has given you everything you need to excel.

Now, go forth and walk in the totality of your kingship. The world is waiting for the manifestation of who you truly are. Your generation needs the influence, wisdom, and authority you carry. Do not delay. Do not hesitate. Step into your place. Occupy your throne. Fulfill your destiny.

This is your season. This is your time. Arise and shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.



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