

THE BOOK OF
1 SAMUEL

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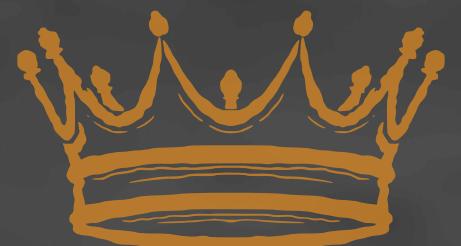


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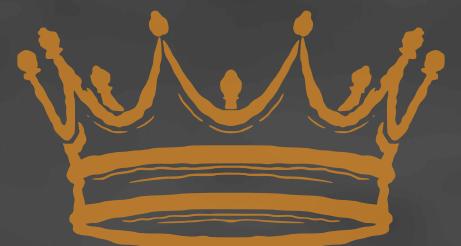
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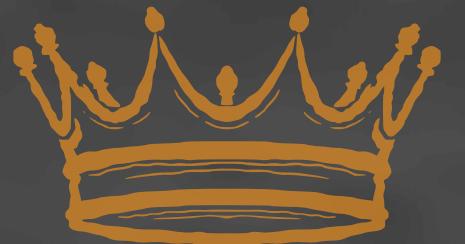


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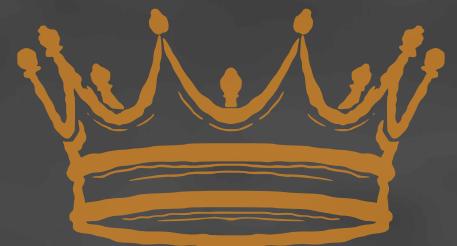


“Expect great things from God, attempt great things for God.”

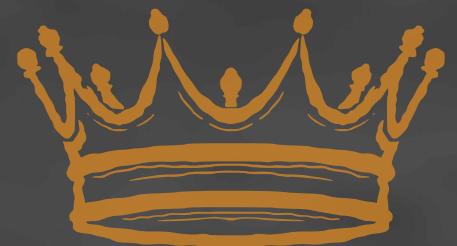
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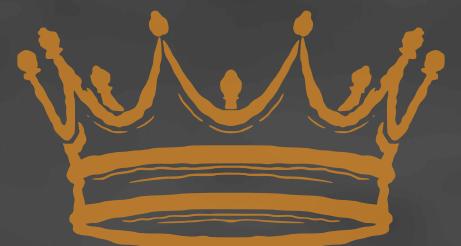
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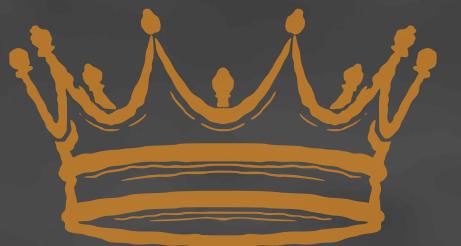
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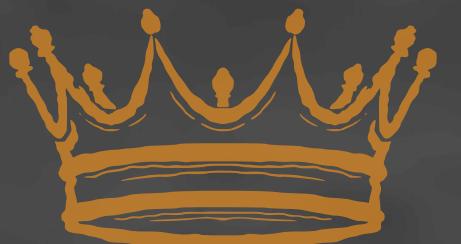
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Philippians 2:3

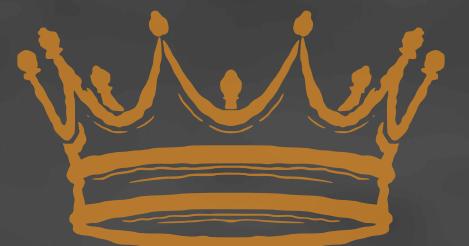


But if you have bitter jealousy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not boast and be false to the truth. This is not the wisdom that comes down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, demonic. For where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there will be disorder and every vile practice.

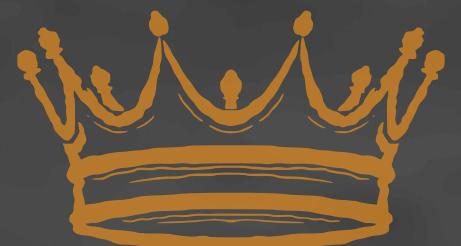
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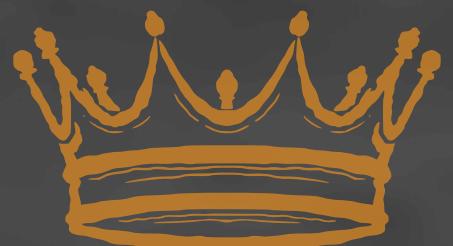
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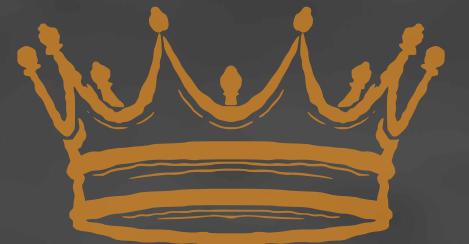


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- *Selfish ambition refuses to see its own need of repentance.*



“Sin is fundamentally antisocial, because sin causes me to love me more than anything else and to care for me more than anything else. It causes me to be obsessed by what I want, how I want it, when I want it, why I want it, where I want it, and whom I want to deliver it.”

Paul Tripp



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APPLY TO LIFE.

1. **Where are my ambitions pointing?**
2. **Where am I seeing them experiencing redemption?**
3. **Who needs to hear me repent of misdirected passion?**