

The Family

ELEVATE SERIES



Exodus 10:21-23 New King James Version

The Ninth Plague: Darkness

21 Then the Lord said to Moses, “Stretch out your hand toward heaven, that there may be darkness over the land of Egypt, [a]darkness which may even be felt.” 22 So Moses stretched out his hand toward heaven, and there was thick darkness in all the land of Egypt three days. 23 They did not see one another; nor did anyone rise from his place for three days. But all the children of Israel had light in their dwellings.



John 5:39 New King James Version

39 You search the Scriptures, for in them you think you have eternal life; and these are they which testify of Me.



John 1:4

New King James Version

4 In Him was life, and the life was the light of men.



1 John 1:5-6

New King James Version

5 This is the message which we have heard from Him and declare to you, that God is light and in Him is no darkness at all. 6 If we say that we have fellowship with Him, and walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth.



Matthew 5:16

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16 Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.



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Joshua 24:14-15 New King James Version

14 “Now therefore, fear the Lord, serve Him in sincerity and in truth, and put away the gods which your fathers served on the other side of the River and in Egypt. Serve the Lord! 15 And if it seems evil to you to serve the Lord, choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the gods which your fathers served that were on the other side of the River, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you dwell. But as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.”

Genesis 7:1

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The Great Flood

7 Then the Lord said to Noah, “Come into the ark, you and all your household, because I have seen that you are righteous before Me in this generation.



Acts 16:28-31 New King James Version

28 But Paul called with a loud voice, saying, “Do yourself no harm, for we are all here.”

29 Then he called for a light, ran in, and fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. 30 And he brought them out and said, “Sirs, what must I do to be saved?”

31 So they said, “Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved, you and your household.”



Jeremiah 6:16 New King James Version

16 Thus says the Lord:

“Stand in the ways and see,

And ask for the old paths, where the good way is,

And walk in it;

Then you will find rest for your souls.

But they said, ‘We will not walk in it.’



Why else are they put under our care? To help us think through how to do this, I believe it helpful to borrow from the classic offices applied to Christ: prophet, priest, and king. We are prophets who speak the word over our households; priests who give ourselves to intercessory prayer, speaking to God on behalf of our loved ones; and kings who govern, direct, provide, & protect them.



Prophet, Priest, & King



Hebrews 7:1-2 New King James Version

The King of Righteousness

1 For this Melchizedek, king of Salem, priest of the Most High God, who met Abraham returning from the slaughter of the kings and blessed him, 2 to whom also Abraham gave a tenth part of all, first being translated “king of righteousness,” and then also king of Salem, meaning “king of peace,”



Genesis 14:18-20 New King James Version

18 Then Melchizedek king of Salem brought out bread and wine; he was the priest of God Most High. 19 And he blessed him and said:

“Blessed be Abram of God Most High,
Possessor of heaven and earth;

20

And blessed be God Most High,
Who has delivered your enemies into your hand.”



Hebrews 6:19-20 New King James Version

19 This hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and steadfast, and which enters the Presence behind the veil, 20 where the forerunner has entered for us, even Jesus, **having become High Priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek.**



Prophet, Priest, & King



Ephesians 4:11 -12

He himself (that's Jesus)
gave some to the apostles some prophets some evangelists
and some pastors and teachers
for the equipping of the saints
for the work of the ministry
for the edifying of the body of christ



1. PROPHETS EDIFY THE SAINTS/FAMILY

1 Corinthians 14:3

but he who prophesies speaks edification, exhortation , and
comfort to men



PROPHETS DO NOT TEAR DOWN THE CHURCH or THEIR FAMILY



Ezra 5:1-2

1 Then the prophet Haggai and Zechariah the son of Iddo, prophets, prophesied to the Jews who were in Judah and Jerusalem, in the name of the God of Israel, who was over them.

2 So Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel and Jeshua the son of Jozadak rose up and began to build the house of God which is in Jerusalem; and the prophets of God were with them, helping them.

Jeremiah 1:5

“Before I formed you in the womb I knew you;
Before you were born I sanctified you;
I ordained you a prophet to the nations.”



Jeremiah 1:9

Then the Lord put forth His hand and touched my mouth, and the Lord said to me:

“Behold, I have put My words in your mouth.



Jeremiah 1:10

See, I have this day set you over the nations and over the kingdoms,
To root out and to pull down,
To destroy and to throw down,
To build and to plant.”



2. Prophets EQUIP THE SAINTS/FAMILY

Acts 15:32

Now Judas and Silas, themselves being prophets also, exhorted and strengthened the brethren with many words.



Acts 4:36

And Joses, who was also named Barnabas by the apostles
(which is translated Son of Encouragement),



Are we known as sons and daughters of encouragement?



3. HOW CAN I BE A PROPHET or ENCOURAGER

Prophet, Priest, & King



1 Timothy 2:1 New Living Translation

2 I urge you, first of all, **to pray for all people.** Ask God to help them; intercede on their behalf, and give thanks for them.

Ephesians 6:18 New Living Translation

18 **Pray in the Spirit at all times and on every occasion.** Stay alert and be persistent in your prayers for all believers everywhere.



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1 Timothy 5:8 New King James Version

8 But if anyone does not provide for his own, and especially for those of his household, he has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever.

1 Timothy 3:4 New King James Version

4 one who rules his own house well, having his children in submission with all reverence



Proverbs 16:6

New King James Version

6

And by the fear of the Lord one departs from evil.



Psalm 25:12 New King James Version

12

Who is the man that fears the Lord?

Him shall He teach in the way He chooses.

(He will show them the path they should choose.)



Proverbs 2:5 New King James Version

5

Then you will understand the fear of the Lord,
And find the knowledge of God.



Micah 6:8 New International Version

8

He has shown you, O mortal, what is good.

And what does the Lord require of you?

To act justly and to love mercy

and to walk humbly with your God.



Joshua 1:7-9 New International Version

7 “Be strong and very courageous. **Be careful to obey all the law** my servant Moses gave you; **do not turn from it to the right or to the left**, that you may be successful wherever you go. 8 Keep this Book of the Law always on your lips; **meditate on it day and night**, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful. 9 Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go.”

