

The Biblical Christian Identity
“Kings Should Promote Holiness” Psalm 27:4

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Psalm 27:4 (NKJV)

I. *How God evaluates Kings, not by the economy, but by faithfulness to God –*

1. *Solomon’s failure was idolatry, idolatry is the opposite of holiness -*

⁶ Solomon did evil in the sight of the LORD, and did not fully follow the LORD, as *did* his father David. ⁷ Then Solomon built a high place for Chemosh the abomination of Moab, on the hill that is east of Jerusalem, and for Molech the abomination of the people of Ammon. ⁸ And he did likewise for all his foreign wives, who burned incense and sacrificed to their gods. ⁹ So the LORD became angry with Solomon, because his heart had turned from the LORD God of Israel, who had appeared to him twice, ¹⁰ and had commanded him concerning this thing, that he should not go after other gods; but he did not keep what the LORD had commanded. 1 Kings 11:6–10 (NKJV)

2. *See this is how God always evaluated kings –*

A. *See Rehoboam Solomon’s successor, he led Judah in wicked idolatry -*

²¹ And Rehoboam the son of Solomon reigned in Judah. Rehoboam was forty-one years old when he became king. He reigned seventeen years in Jerusalem, the city which the LORD had chosen out of all the tribes of Israel, to put His name there. His mother’s name was Naamah, an Ammonitess. ²² Now Judah did evil in the sight of the LORD, and they provoked Him to jealousy with their sins which they committed, more than all that their fathers had done. ²³ For they also built for themselves high places, *sacred* pillars, and wooden images on every high hill and under every green tree. ²⁴ And there were also perverted persons in the land. They did according to all the abominations of the nations which the LORD had cast out before the children of Israel. 1 Kings 14:21–24 (NKJV)

B. *A good king was one who got rid of the idols –*

⁹ In the twentieth year of Jeroboam king of Israel, Asa became king over Judah. ¹⁰ And he reigned forty-one years in Jerusalem. His grandmother’s name was Maachah the granddaughter of Abishalom. ¹¹ Asa did *what was right* in the eyes of the LORD, as *did* his father David. ¹² And he banished the perverted persons from the land, and removed all the idols that his fathers had made. 1 Kings 15:9–12 (NKJV)

C. *Look up any of the Kings they are always evaluated in this way –*

³⁰ Now Ahab the son of Omri did evil in the sight of the LORD, more than all who were before him.

³¹ And it came to pass, as though it had been a trivial thing for him to walk in the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, that he took as wife Jezebel the daughter of Ethbaal, king of the Sidonians; and he went and served Baal and worshiped him. 1 Kings 16:30–31 (NKJV)

³ Now the LORD was with Jehoshaphat, because he walked in the former ways of his father David; he did not seek the Baals, ⁴ but sought the God of his father, and walked in His commandments and not according to the acts of Israel. ⁵ Therefore the LORD established the kingdom in his hand; and all Judah gave presents to Jehoshaphat, and he had riches and honor in abundance. ⁶ And his heart took delight in the ways of the LORD; moreover he removed the high places and wooden images from Judah. 2 Chronicles 17:3–6 (NKJV)

II. Holiness is an essential part of God's image –

¹⁵ but as He who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, ¹⁶ because it is written, "Be holy, for I am holy." 1 Peter 1:15–16 (NKJV)

1. *Holiness is a likeness to God that is dependent upon a closeness, a commitment to, and a love of God –*

¹⁵ Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. ¹⁶ For all that is in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—is not of the Father but is of the world. ¹⁷ And the world is passing away, and the lust of it; but he who does the will of God abides forever. 1 John 2:15–17 (NKJV)

2. *Personal holiness is prerequisite to leading others in holiness -*

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A. *It was his holiness to God that made David a man after God's own heart despite his other failing -*

⁴ Nevertheless for David's sake the LORD his God gave him a lamp in Jerusalem, by setting up his son after him and by establishing Jerusalem; ⁵ because David did what was right in the eyes of the LORD, and had not turned aside from anything that He commanded him all the days of his life, except in the matter of Uriah the Hittite. 1 Kings 15:4–5 (NKJV)

²² And when He had removed him, He raised up for them David as king, to whom also He gave testimony and said, 'I have found David the son of Jesse, a man after My own heart, who will do all My will.' Acts 13:22 (NKJV)

B. *Elders are taught to take heed to themselves, and all the flock –*

²⁸ Therefore take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, among which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to shepherd the church of God which He purchased with His own blood. ²⁹ For I know this, that after my departure savage wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock. ³⁰ Also from among yourselves men will rise up, speaking perverse things, to draw away the disciples after themselves. ³¹ Therefore watch, and remember that for three years I did not cease to warn everyone night and day with tears. Acts 20:28–31 (NKJV)

"The great concern of the New Testament epistles is not about the size of the church, but the purity of the church." David Martyn Lloyd-Jones

III. We are rulers, (KINGS) at least over ourselves –

⁹ And they sang a new song, saying: "You are worthy to take the scroll, And to open its seals; For You were slain, And have redeemed us to God by Your blood Out of every tribe and tongue and people and nation, ¹⁰ And have made us kings and priests to our God; And we shall reign on the earth." Revelation 5:9-10 (NKJV)

One of the GREAT BATTLES we have with our ungodly world is regarding WHO RULES?

- *The Book of Revelation 7 seals, 7 trumpets, 7 bowls God rules Jesus is King of kings and Lord of lords ... we are kings and priests underneath Him. We are ruled and rule by His commands – ¹⁴ Blessed are those who do His commandments, that they may have the right to the tree of life, and may enter through the gates into the city. Revelation 22:14 (NKJV)*

- Yet 666 means man rules -

"Imagine there's no Heaven It's easy if you try No Hell below us Above us only sky
Imagine all the people Living for today Ah, ah, ah-ah Imagine there's no countries It isn't
hard to do Nothing to kill or die for and no religion, too" ... John Lennon

Man rules means: no 10 Commandments, Survival of the Fittest; Beast Rule –
13 Then I stood on the sand of the sea. And I saw a beast rising up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and on his horns ten crowns, and on his heads a blasphemous name. Revelation 13:1 (NKJV)

No jurisdiction –

*With God we have jurisdictional government, with God we have God as King
Under God:*

*Self – government; Family – government; Church – government
Town and City – government State and national – government*

The ungodly desire ONE WORLD GOVERNMENT – “no countries” “no religion”

1. *The beginning of being a king or queen in God’s eyes is self-government, or self-control –*
²² **But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,**
²³ **gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law. Galatians 5:22–23 (NKJV)**

A. This means controlling even our thoughts, are inner urges and desires –

Murder - ²¹ **“You have heard that it was said to those of old, ‘You shall not murder, and whoever murders will be in danger of the judgment.’ ²² But I say to you that whoever is angry with his brother without a cause shall be in danger of the judgment. And whoever says to his brother, ‘Raca!’ shall be in danger of the council. But whoever says, ‘You fool!’ shall be in danger of hell fire. ²³ Therefore if you bring your gift to the altar, and there remember that your brother has something against you, ²⁴ leave your gift there before the altar, and go your way. First be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift. ²⁵ Agree with your adversary quickly, while you are on the way with him, lest your adversary deliver you to the judge, the judge hand you over to the officer, and you be thrown into prison. ²⁶ Assuredly, I say to you, you will by no means get out of there till you have paid the last penny. Matthew 5:21-27 (NKJV)**

Adultery - ²⁷ **“You have heard that it was said to those of old, ‘You shall not commit adultery.’ ²⁸ But I say to you that whoever looks at a woman to lust for her has already committed adultery with her in his heart. ²⁹ If your right eye causes you to sin, pluck it out and cast it from you; for it is more profitable for you that one of your members perish, than for your whole body to be cast into hell. ³⁰ And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and cast it from you; for it is more profitable for you that one of your members perish, than for your whole body to be cast into hell. Matthew 5:27–30 (NKJV)**

¹² **Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body, that you should obey it in its lusts. Romans 6:12 (NKJV)**

B. It means controlling our tongues –

² **For we all stumble in many things. If anyone does not stumble in word, he is a perfect man, able also to bridle the whole body. James 3:2 (NKJV)**

C. *It means wives submit to husbands; children obey parents ...*

D. *It means schools don't have a right to change a child's sex without telling the parents ...*

2. *Holiness would have never taken God out of education –*

⁴“Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one! ⁵You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength.

⁶“**And these words which I command you today shall be in your heart. ⁷You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up. ⁸You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. ⁹You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates. Deuteronomy 6:4–9 (NKJV)**

3. *Ultimately, self-rule & family rule are both fruits of God's Spirit –*

¹⁷Therefore do not be unwise, but understand what the will of the Lord is. ¹⁸And do not be drunk with wine, in which is dissipation; **but be filled with the Spirit**, ¹⁹speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord, ²⁰giving thanks always for all things to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, ²¹submitting to one another in the fear of God. Ephesians 5:17–21 (NKJV)

²²Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. ²³For the husband is head of the wife, as also Christ is head of the church; and He is the Savior of the body. ²⁴Therefore, just as the church is subject to Christ, so *let the wives be to their own husbands in everything.* ²⁵Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her, ²⁶that He might sanctify and cleanse her with the washing of water by the word, Ephesians 5:22–26 (NKJV)

4. *But an ungodly world cannot see God's Kingdom (RULE) –*

³Jesus answered and said to him, **“Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.”** ⁴Nicodemus said to Him, “How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?” ⁵Jesus answered, **“Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. ⁶That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷Do not marvel that I said to you, ‘You must be born again.’ ⁸The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear the sound of it, but cannot tell where it comes from and where it goes. So is everyone who is born of the Spirit.”** John 3:3–8 (NKJV)

5. *Spiritual things are FOOLISHNESS to them / But we are little (anointed ones) –*

⁹But as it is written: **“Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, Nor have entered into the heart of man The things which God has prepared for those who love Him.”** ¹⁰But God has revealed them to us through His Spirit. For the Spirit searches all things, yes, the deep things of God. ¹¹For what man knows the things of a man except the spirit of the man which is in him? Even so no one knows the things of God except the Spirit of God. ¹²Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might know the things that have been freely given to us by God. ¹³These things we also speak, not in words which man's wisdom teaches but which the Holy Spirit teaches, comparing spiritual things with spiritual. ¹⁴But the natural man does not receive the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; nor can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned. ¹⁵But he who is spiritual judges all things, yet he himself is *rightly* judged by no one. ¹⁶For **“who has known the mind of the LORD that he may instruct Him?”** But **we have the mind of Christ.** 1 Corinthians 2:9–16 (NKJV) *A Christian Mind! A king's mind!*

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