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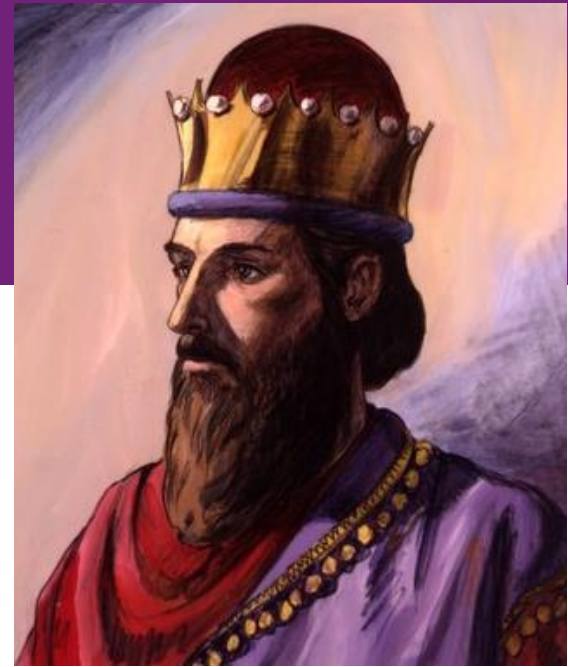
Solomon: Wise King?



- Richer than Bill Gates
- Wiser than Dr. Phil
- More powerful than Trump
- More influential than Oprah
- Is more political savvy than Trudeau



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Solomon's Last Words

Ecclesiastes 1:1-2



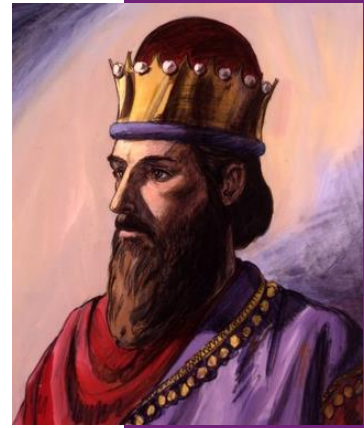
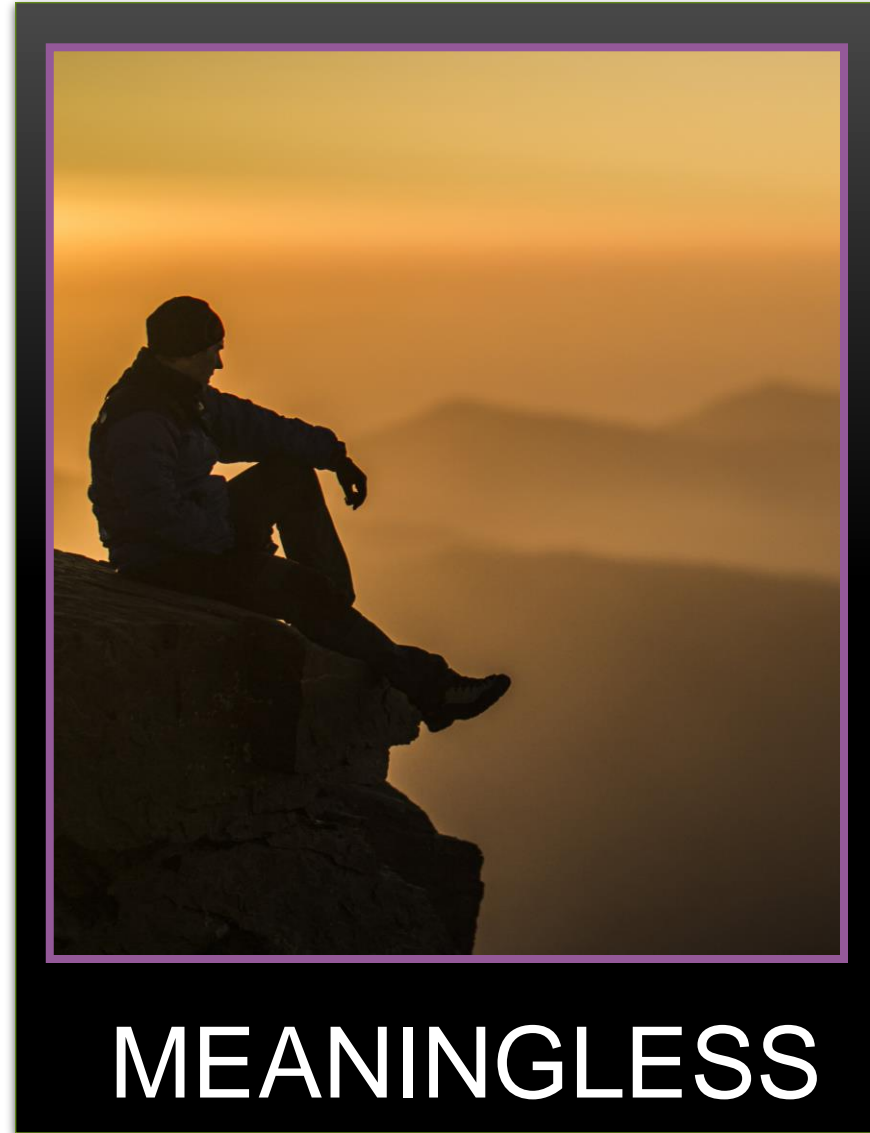
“Meaningless! Meaningless!
says the Teacher.

Utterly meaningless!
Everything is meaningless.”

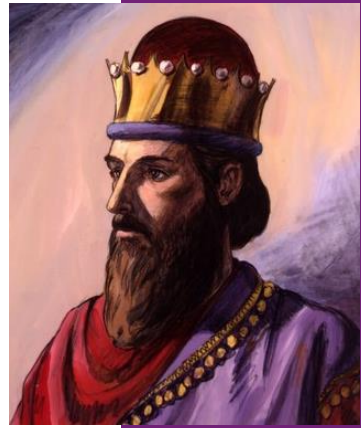
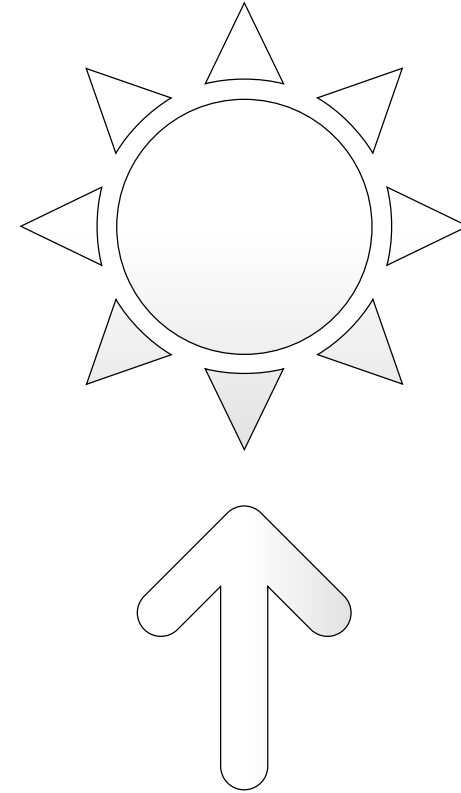
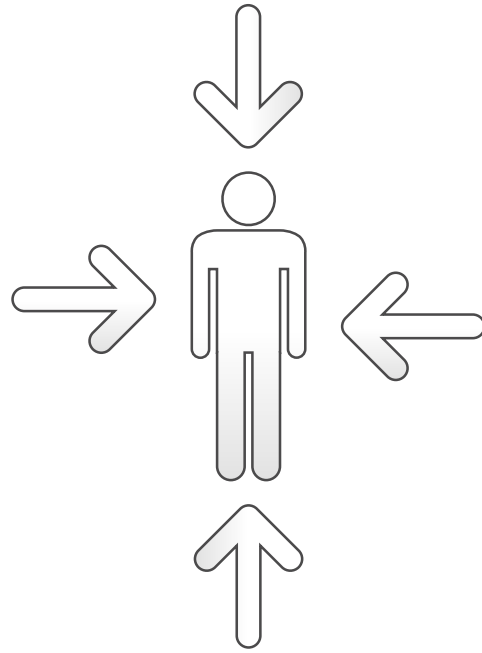
Abel Maestro García



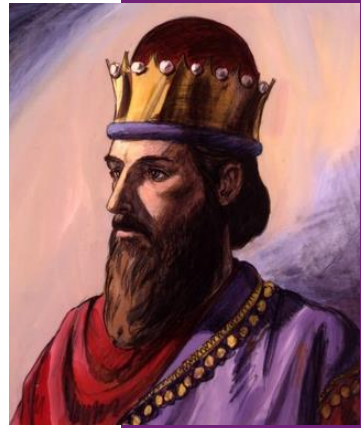
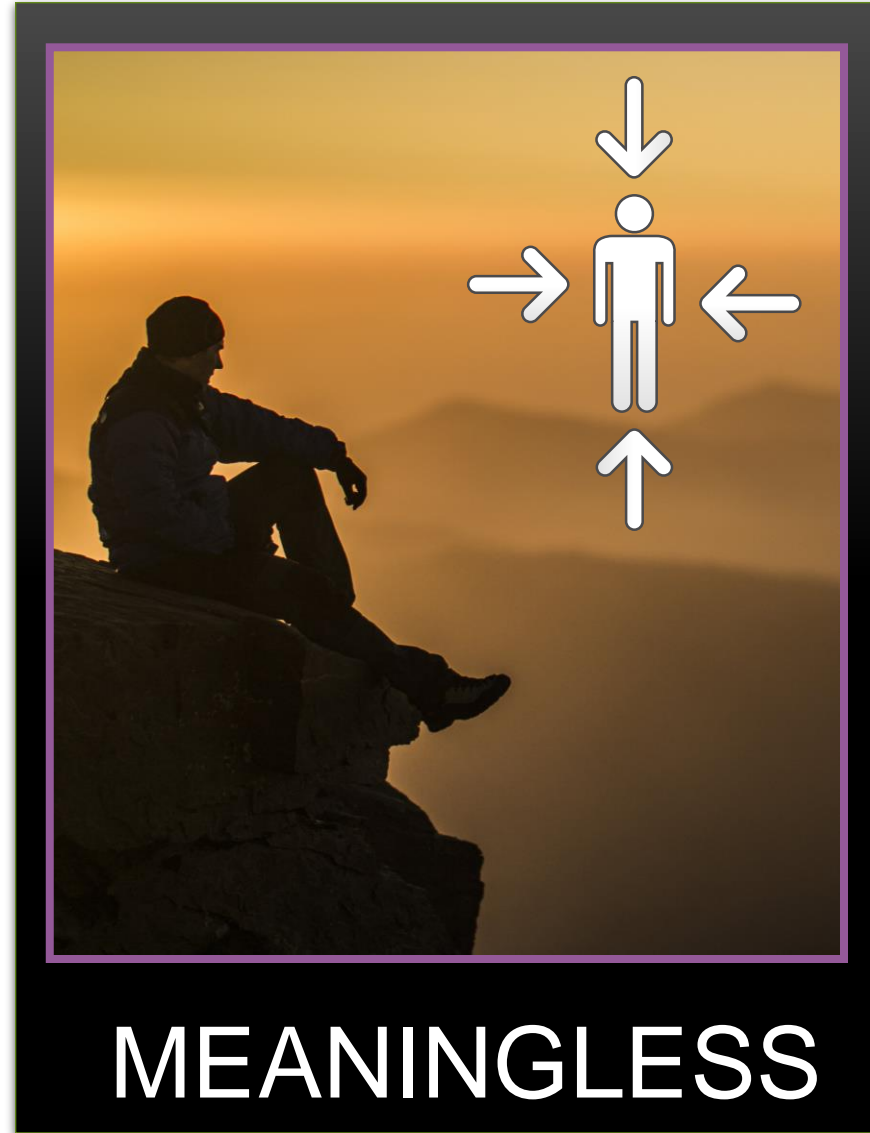
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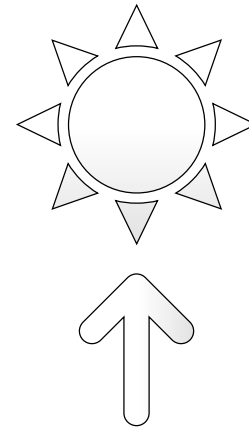
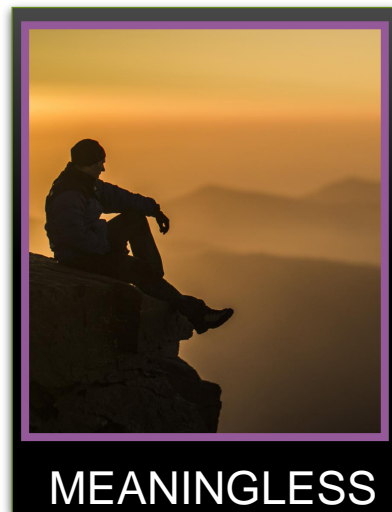
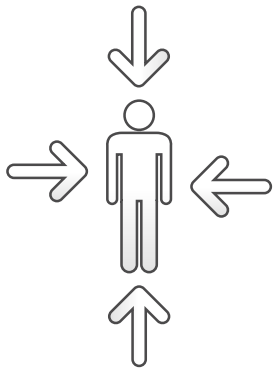


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Application:

- Examine the hidden motives in your own heart.
- Do you long for a better salary, acknowledgement for your work, a nicer home, or physical pleasures (sex, food, drink)?
- Have you believed the lies of the world, that in these things you will find meaning?
- Let the warning of Solomon speak truth into those lies.



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That's the whole story. Here now is my final conclusion: Fear God and obey his commands, for this is everyone's duty. God will judge us for everything we do, including every secret thing, whether good or bad.

Ecc. 12:11-14



Half-hearted obedience

A king should not acquire:

- many horses
- many wives (or else his heart will turn away)
- silver & gold in great quantity

(Deut 17:16-17)

Solomon acquired:

- 4000 (40,000?) horses
- 700 wives, 300 concubines (and his wives turned away his heart)
- 666 talents of gold a year

(2 Chr. 9:25, 1 Kings 10:14, 11:3)



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Whole-hearted obedience



- Denied himself nothing
- Acquired great wealth
- Sought words of wisdom
- Became the most powerful Israelite King

- Denied himself everything
- Had no place to lay his head
- Spoke only what the Father taught him
- Resisted the temptation to rule all the kingdoms of the world

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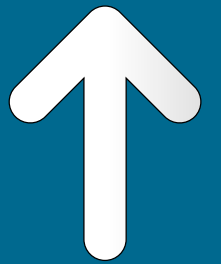
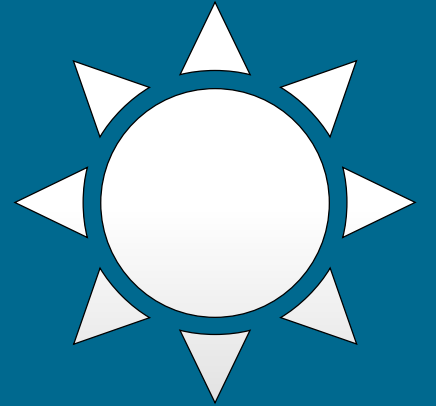
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“...he humbled himself, and became obedient to death -
even death on the cross.

Therefore God exalted him to the highest place
and gave him the name that is above every name, that
at the name of Jesus Christ every knee should bow
in heaven and on earth and under the earth
and every tongue confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord to the glory and praise of God.”



Jesus: the Obedient King



Application:

- Your time and efforts - whose kingdom do they build up?
- Have you become satisfied with half-way obedience?
- Which king will you follow?





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