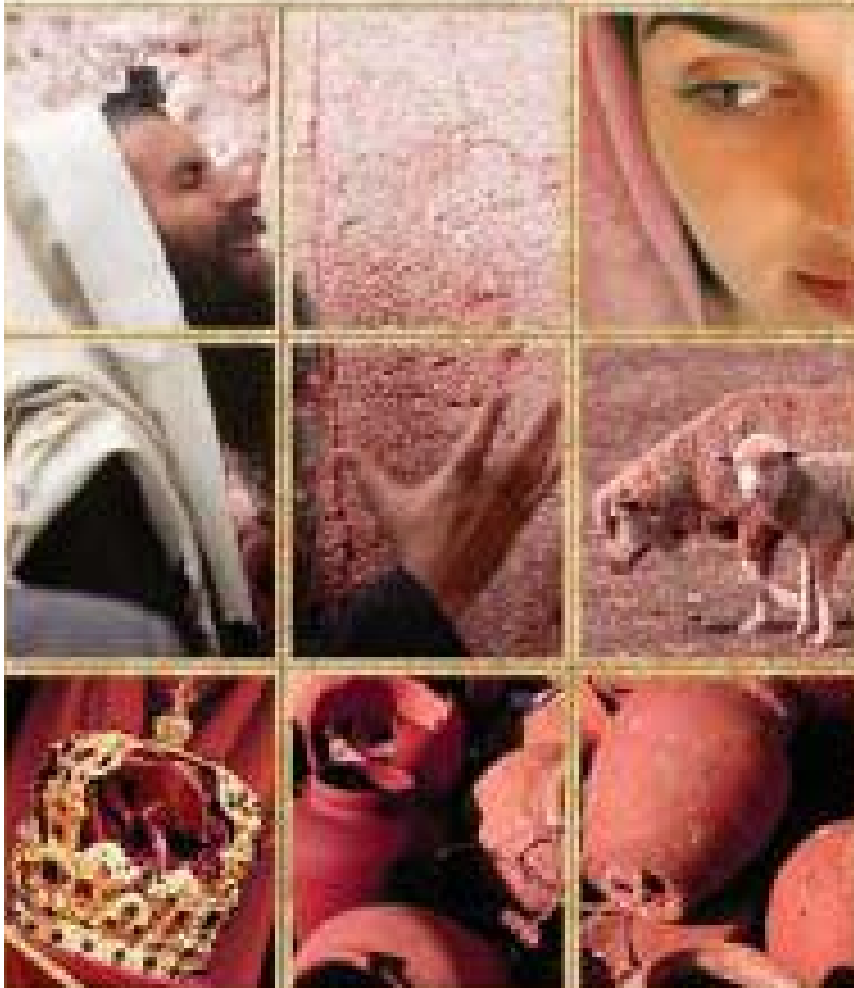


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CHALLENGE

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LIFE-CHANGING LESSONS
FROM THE WISDOM BOOKS

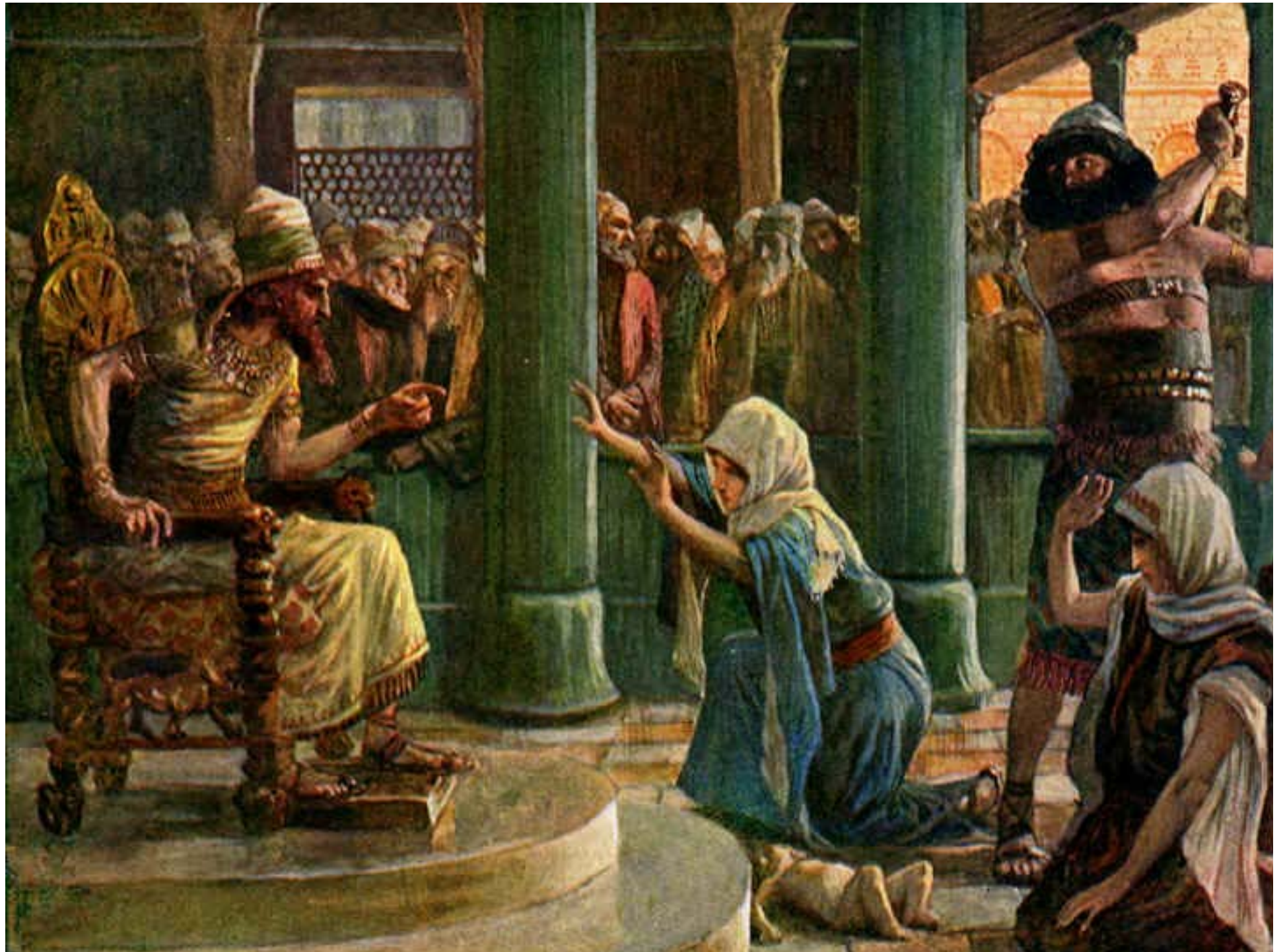
The Old Testament Challenge 2

Extreme Folly

1 Kings





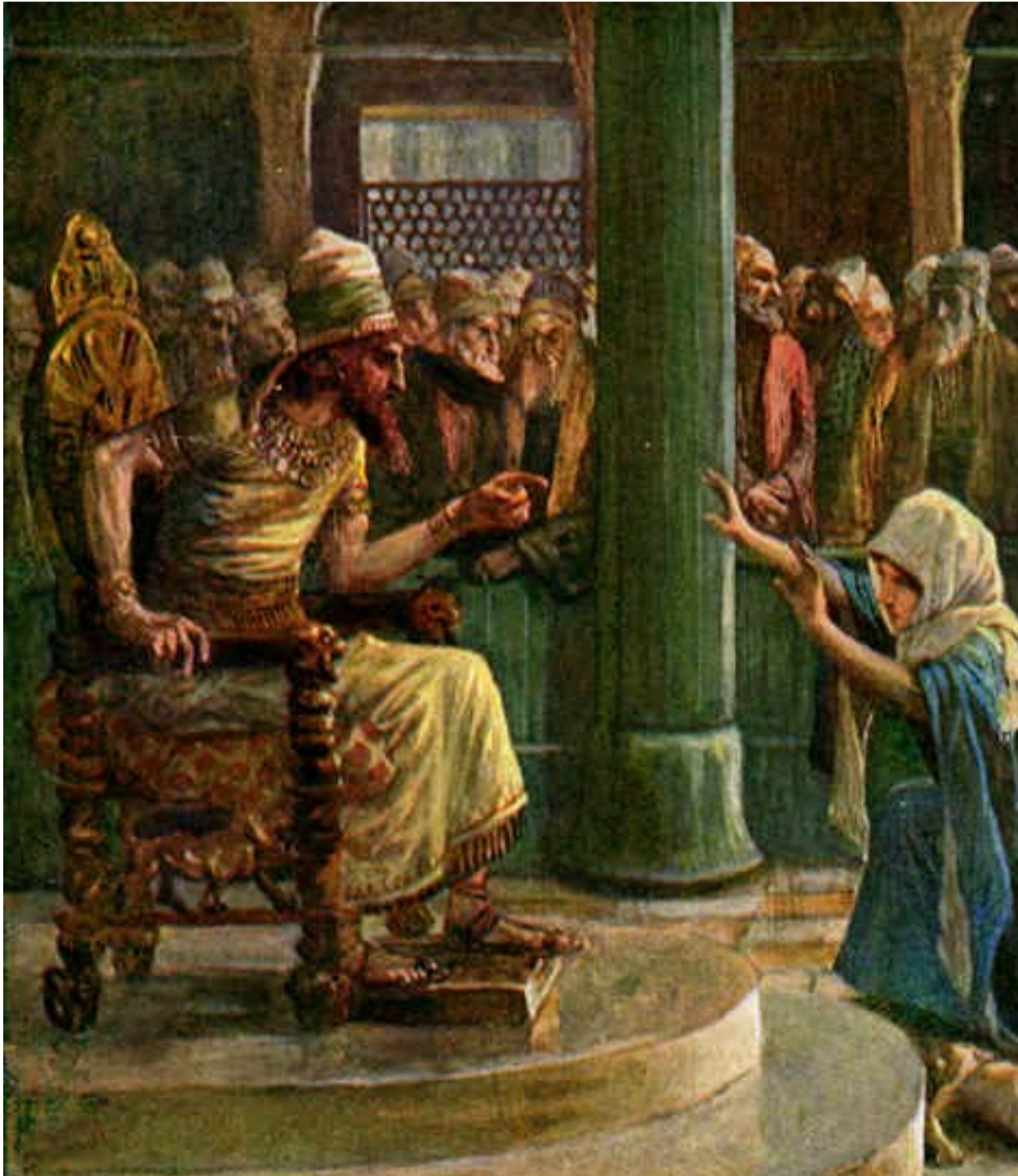


And all Israel heard of the judgment which the king had judged; and they feared the king: for they saw that the wisdom of God was in him, to do judgment.

1 Kings 3:28 (NKJV)







Don't allow a little
wiggle room

Circle the key word in 1 Kings 3:3

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1 Kings 3:3 (NKJV)

Destroy

the high places

***“Speak to the children
of Israel, and say to
them: ‘When you have
crossed the Jordan
into the land of
Canaan,***

Numbers 33:51 (NKJV)

*'Then you shall drive out all
the inhabitants of the land
from before you, destroy all
their engraved stones,
destroy all their molded
images, and demolish all
their high places;*

Numbers 33:52 (NKJV)

Happy are you, O Israel! Who is like you, a people saved by the Lord, The shield of your help And the sword of your majesty! Your enemies shall submit to you, And you shall tread down their high places.”

Deuteronomy 33:29 (NKJV)

95% devotion is
5% short

*Where am I
allowing
wiggles room?*

I Surrender All

by Judson VanDeVenter and Winfield Weeden

All to Jesus I surrender
All to Him I freely give
I will ever love and trust Him
In His presence daily live

I surrender all, I surrender all
All to Thee, my blessed Savior,
I surrender all

All to Jesus I surrender
Humbly at His feet I bow.
Worldly pleasures all forsaken,
Take me Jesus, take me now.

Don't assume
you are the
exception
to the rule

“But he shall not multiply horses for himself, nor cause the people to return to Egypt to multiply horses, for the Lord has said to you, ‘You shall not return that way again.’

Deuteronomy 17:16 (NKJV)

*“Neither shall he multiply
wives for himself, lest his
heart turn away; nor shall
he greatly multiply silver
and gold for himself.*

Deuteronomy 17:17 (NKJV)

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- *“But he shall not multiply horses for himself,
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- *“But he shall not multiply horses for himself,*
Deuteronomy 17:16a (NKJV)
- *..Solomon gathered chariots and horsemen; he had one thousand four hundred chariots and twelve thousand horsemen,*
1 Kings 10:26a

Where did Solomon make exceptions?

- *Nor cause the people to return to Egypt to multiply horses, for the Lord has said to you, 'You shall not return that way again.'*

*Deuteronomy
17:16b (NKJV)*

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- *Nor cause the people to return to Egypt to multiply horses, for the Lord has said to you, 'You shall not return that way again.'*

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17:16b (NKJV)*

Also Solomon had horses imported from Egypt and Keveh.

1 Kings 10:26a

Where did Solomon make exceptions?

- *“Neither shall he multiply wives for himself, lest his heart turn away;*
Deuteronomy
17:17a (NKJV)

Where did Solomon make exceptions?

- *“Neither shall he multiply wives for himself, lest his heart turn away;
Deuteronomy 17:17a (NKJV)*
- *And he had seven hundred wives, princesses, and three hundred concubines; and his wives turned away his heart.
1 Kings 11:3*

Where did Solomon make exceptions?

- *Nor shall he greatly multiply silver and gold for himself.*

*Deuteronomy
17:17b (NKJV)*

Where did Solomon make exceptions?

- *Nor shall he greatly multiply silver and gold for himself.*
Deuteronomy 17:17b (NKJV)
- *Now the weight of gold that came to Solomon in one year was six hundred threescore and six talents of gold.*
1 Kings 10:14



Anecdote:
Increase your
Humility quotient

Don't fall to
predisposed
weaknesses

Circle the key word

They were from nations about which the LORD had told the Israelites, “You must not intermarry with them, because they will turn your hearts after their gods.”

Nevertheless, Solomon held fast to them in love.

1 Kings 11:2 (NIV)

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1 Kings 11:2 (NIV)

*How are you
shaping your
children's future?*

Don't ignore

correction

For it was so, when Solomon was old, that his wives turned his heart after other gods; and his heart was not loyal to the Lord his God, as was the heart of his father David.

1 Kings 11:4 (NKJV)

Finish *strong*