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King Solomon exercised his dominion through his wisdom and knowledge that God had given him. We ought to follow in this same vein! Thanks for listening!

Key Texts:

* 1 Kings 3:5-15

* 1 Kings 4:24-34

* Exodus 31:1-4

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Transcript

Hello, for the King listeners. I am not your host, Rocky Ramsey. My name is Will Dzierzinski, a brother in Christ and friend of Raku's, whom he has generously invited onto the show in order to verbally showcase my artwork to you in 50 seconds.

As an artist, I strive to accurately reflect the glory of God and everything that I paint, and through that process I hope to flood as much of the earth as possible with paintings, which accurately proclaim the undeniable fact that Jesus is Lord, and the creation which he made commands us to worship him. So if you would like to join with me in distributing

clean, refreshing artwork showcasing the creativity of the God who made us, I would be overjoyed to have your help. I run my own website called Reflected Works, where I showcase the artwork I've done in the past, sell original paintings and prints, and take requests for unique commissions.

Once again, that's ReflectedWorks.com, all one word, and I'm looking forward to helping you further the kingdom of God right now here on this earth by putting some of your free wall space to productive use. Thank you very much for your kind attention, and now enjoy the show. You will bow out of the grace that has been given to you, and others will bow because your kneecaps will be broken by the one who rules the nations with a rod of iron.

And I'll not apologize for this God of the Bible. Hello, friends. Welcome to the For the King podcast.

I'm your host, Rocky Ramsey, and I am joined with Keegan. Say hello, brother. How are you doing? How are you doing? Hello.

Hello. Doing well. Glad to be back.

Talking about something totally different than last time. Yeah. Yeah.

You'll be on a lot, and we'll talk about a bunch of different stuff, and it'll keep you on your toes. Yeah. I'm looking forward to it.

Give us a little update on the kiddo, just so everybody knows what's going on. Yeah. Yeah.

Baby number four has arrived. Yeah. Ezra, Ezra Gideon flood.

Nice. He was born June 18th, so he's about two weeks old now, and he's upstairs sleeping with mama. Great.

That's exciting. Yeah. We're happy for you guys.

That's good. So, yeah, thanks for joining me, Keegan. As you can see, if you're watching on YouTube, this will be like, I think my first YouTube video.

I told you guys I wanted to try to start doing more YouTube presence. So here I am doing it. So hopefully you can enjoy getting to see my face and see Keegan too, see my guest.

Hopefully there'll be more of this where we're coming from here. Okay. So the topic for this evening's podcast is we're going to be discussing the idea of dominion or mastery and talk about how wisdom or a knowledge and understanding of the world ties into that and enables mastery or dominion.

So first I want to go to kind of set the stage here for this episode is this kind of helpful idea I've come into recently about what true dominion is that God is asking us and requiring us, commanding us to do as his people. So a lot of this comes from this book I just listened to called *In the House of Tom Bombadil* by C.R. Wiley. It's really, really good.

Really good book. And one thing that really helped me was this idea of dominion being more of mastery than domination. So we see in Tolkien's universe, you have two different kind of patriarchs.

You have Sauron, you know, he's the evil wicked patriarch, right? And he's very strong and powerful and he has a dominion. Yeah, he's dominating. So he's like Satan, right? And then there's the better patriarch, which, you know, in the book, he talks about how that's more like what Tom Bombadil is.

He exercises mastery rather than dominating, not dominating those under him, but mastering the things that he's been given dominion over and doing it in such a way because he understands them intimately. He knows them just like God knows us. He knows us in an intimate way.

He knew us before the foundations of the world. So he knows us intimately. Therefore, when he rules over us, he does it in such a way that we're mastered.

You know, we are, you know, we are being ruled over, but we do have our own flourishing and commands and duties as God's people that he enables us to do because he exercises mastery over us and tends us. He cultivates us like a garden. That's the idea of mastery.

You're not dominating the plant, trying to force it to grow fruit. You are right. You're cultivating it.

Okay. So that's kind of set the stage. That's the kind of idea of dominion we're talking about this evening.

But let's let's connect that to knowledge and knowledge or wisdom. Right. So I don't know if Keegan, if you had any other introductory thoughts you wanted to get into before I read our text.

But do you have any thought? I mean, first and foremost, Bombadil is most certainly the best character in all the *Lord of the Rings*. Oh, yeah. So so love that love that connection.

And I think tying into that true mastery of in a godly sense, Tolkien shows it well in the fact that Bombadil wasn't even impacted by the ring. Yeah, he's like, yeah, whatever. That doesn't even touch me.

I feel like if we are in spirit led mastery, sin and temptation, obviously, I'm not saying we

will be perfected and glorified on earth through have been having exercises and dominion correctly, but I think it will become less and less of a temptation as we keep our eyes on the Lord and not keeping our eyes on dominating and domineering the things around us. That's good. That's awesome.

Okay, thanks for that, brother. Yeah. So hopefully that sets the stage pretty well for you guys.

And you know, kind of kind of what the framework is here. So let me share my screen because I'm doing trying to do this YouTube thing now. So let me go ahead and share that.

So let's let's look at a text here. So we're going to use Solomon as our kind of our archetype, our, our meta narrative, right for this idea of mastery, mastery and knowledge. So let's let's look at starting in verse five, I'm going to read to the end here.

So at Gibeon, the Lord appeared to Solomon during the night in a dream and God asked, ask, whatever you want me to give to you. Solomon answered, you have shown great kindness to your servant, my father David, because he was faithful to you and righteous and upright heart. You have continued this great kindness to him and have given him a son to sit on his throne this very day.

Now, Lord, my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, but I am only a little child and do not know how to carry out my duties. Your servant is here among the people you have chosen a great people to numerous to count or number. So give your servant a discerning heart to govern your people and to distinguish between right and wrong.

For who is able to govern this great people of yours? The Lord was pleased that Solomon had asked for this. So God said to him, since you have asked for this and not for a long life or wealth for yourself, nor have asked for the death of your enemies, but for discernment and administering justice. I will do what you have asked.

I will give you a wise and discerning heart so that there will never so there will never have been anyone like you, nor will there ever be. Moreover, I will give you what you have not asked for both wealth and honor so that in your lifetime, you will not have no equal among kings. And if you walk in obedience to me and keep my decrees and commands as David, your father did, I will give you a long life.

Then Solomon awoke and he realized that had been a dream. OK, so this is that great story where Solomon even seems to be exercising a little bit of wisdom before he's given this ultimate wise mind and heart. But he asks for wisdom.

So the beginning of wisdom is this. Get wisdom, right? We read that. So he's already exercising some wisdom.

There is some some work in his heart that God has already done, some grace that's given to him for him to ask such a thing. And God rewards him for it. And then he receives this this wise heart.

Now, let's let's look and see exactly what that looks like or maybe one facet of it. So once after later, we start to see before I go, Keegan, does you have anything you wanted to pick out there? No, no, go ahead. Keep going here.

Yeah, I'm just yeah, just let's keep moving along here. And that last text, I do want to point out that that's he was asking this so he could perform his duties, exercise his dominion. He asked for wisdom, which insinuates it's kind of a it's necessary to have wisdom if you're going to exercise dominion properly.

Right. And the connection. Yeah.

And a humble heart. I know I said I didn't have anything to say, but he said I am. I am but a child.

Like it wasn't like he was coming at it from this this angle of I want wisdom to again rule and and D nier. It was like, I know that I am not worthy of this position you've given me. I know that I am but a child and have so much to learn and do.

And he's probably looking at his father, David, who was a man after God's own heart, you know, and all of his stories like, how do I how do I ever measure up to this? Yeah. And so he's saying I'm but a child, Lord, please, please help me. It's almost like a crying out as well.

Yes, that's good. Yeah, that's a good thing to point out to. There was a there was a that's another part of wisdom is to be humble.

Think less of yourself than than you ought to. That's awesome. OK, so we once after later start seeing his dominion rising as a man and as a king for he had dominion.

Look at verse 24 here over all the region on this side of the river from Tifsha, even to Gaza, namely over all the kings on this side of the river. So and he has peace all around him. OK, so we're seeing his dominion growing because of this wisdom he's been given as he as he's growing and he's becoming exceedingly great and understanding.

We'll see here. This is this is what we're going to pick out here. This is going to be our working text for the rest of the episode here.

And God gave Solomon wisdom and exceedingly great understanding and largeness of heart like the sand on the seashore. Thus, solvents wisdom excelled the wisdom of all the men of the east and all the wisdom of Egypt, for he was wiser than all men. Then Ethan, the Israelite and Himon and Calco and Darda, the sons of Mahal and his fame was

in all the surrounding nations.

He spoke three thousand proverbs and his songs were one thousand and five. Also, he spoke of trees from the cedar tree of Lebanon, even to the hyssop that springs out of the wall. He spoke also of animals, of birds, of creeping things and of fish.

And men of all nations from all the kings of the earth who had heard of his wisdom came to hear the wisdom of Solomon. OK, so let's pick out some things here in this text and start pushing forward this episode. So we see that he's wiser than all the other men and even in the surrounding nations.

And it's causing people to want to be around him. OK, that's what mastery looks like. People don't people not only recognize that you're a wise, mature man, but they also flock to you because they recognize that.

And they know that they will be blessed by being in your presence. OK, that's what I think. Thinking about the token, Tom Bombadil, the whole forest was blessed because Bombadil oriented it towards its greatest good.

OK, that's what God does to us. And that's what the Godly man does. Just think about, you know, as fathers, that's what a father is supposed to do.

His family is supposed to walk away from his presence more blessed than when they didn't enter it. They want to be near the father. Right.

That's right. That's the way it ought to be. So we see him speaking thousands of proverbs.

He has many songs he's gifted in songwriting and playing instruments. Here's where I want to hone in at. He speaks of trees, the cedar tree.

He speaks of animals, birds, creeping things into fish. This should liken our minds if we know our biblical theology back to the garden. That's the order.

When we think about the order in which God created things, the categories of the things he created, we see animals, birds, creeping things, fish. We see that not only there, but tracing that through the Bible. We see that in Romans 1. They exchange the glory of God for created things, for creeping things on the ground, birds, animals, created things.

They use the same language. So this is kind of a creational foundation, world building language. These are the most basic things that build the world, these animals, these animated things that God made.

And Solomon knows them well. He's intimately connected to them. So, point here, extract and bullet point for the podcast here.

A man that is properly exercising dominion and understanding ought to know his profession or physical things about the world. Yes. So, yeah, Kiki, go ahead.

I've been talking for a second. Go ahead and bounce off that. Well, no, and I don't even want to focus in on, but you said like a man ought to know his profession and things like that.

And you should know your career, but even like I'm in email marketing. Yeah. You know, I as a godly man should still know the things of the trees, the things of animals.

Like as men, as men called by God to take dominion, I should know how to raise chickens. I should know how to tend to garden. I should know these things.

And so it goes beyond just your profession. It goes far beyond that to every godly man should know that. I think every godly man has that desire in some way, shape or form.

And some people are further set back. Maybe the fathers didn't raise them well or didn't train them up in the way. Or maybe they were saved when they were 40 and they had no idea what to do, you know, whatever.

But I feel like we all have that in our hearts to be a master of something. And we're called to nature in a way, you know? That's good. Yeah.

Yeah. And I think nature's nature is that big calling because it does connect us to God in a sense. It displaces glory.

We can see in the creation that God exists, his divine attributes and eternal power. We can see that in creation. I think that's why we should be drawn and want to understand nature and take care of what God has given us and stewarding it.

So I totally agree with you. As men, we need to be, especially men that are exercising dominion and mastery, we need to be very well rounded and have a large range of ability. We do.

I do think we have overemphasized in our culture now this specialization. Everybody's super specialized. And you used to be like a farmer, for instance, a subsistence farmer.

They were a jack of all trades, right? They were a mechanic. They were a carpenter. They made their own equipment.

They could do plumbing and electricity and everything else in between. Yeah, exactly. They could do everything.

And now a lot of men are specialists and we do need those specialists at times. But even the specialists, like you're saying, should be well rounded in their free time and be interested in God's world. So hopefully that can kind of harken you guys back to the

episode.

Bryce and I just did about being a curious man. It's good to be curious. Solomon was curious about the world and that's how he was exercising his mastery.

You mentioned jack of all trades and people use that almost negative now. Like, oh, he's just a jack of all trades. And what people know of that saying is jack of all trades, master of none.

Yeah, that's right. But there's actually a second clause to it. And that second clause is better than master of one.

No, it's good. Because again, it's that specialization. If you only know one thing, there's a, this is more psychological babble than Bible, but there's something called the intelligence trap where someone gets so smart in one area only that they're a total idiot in everything else.

They look like complete law common sense because they're only specialized in one area. And we've actually gutted that idea that you should be a jack of all trades. And yeah, you're going to be better at some things than others.

I mean, look at the men just in our church. My brother's a fantastic carpenter and I am not, but I'm also building his website because he has no idea how to do that, you know? But at the same time, we both want to build things in our own way and do that. So seeking for that well-roundedness is way better than just being good at one thing.

That's good. Yeah, that's encouraging. But what's tough about that is it does call you to a lot of work.

You know, you need to have your hands on things. But that's what we're made for as men. And that's what Solomon, when God gave him wisdom, he became that man.

He worked out a lot of different things and understood a lot of different things. And that's the encouragement here. Yeah.

Go ahead. Yeah, so one last thing I wanted to ask you a question back. There's that phrase in there of God gave him a largeness of heart.

Yeah. When I hear that, I think of like more of a capacity to love because intelligence on its own, without love, you can actually become really spiteful. You can become so intelligent that you don't care about humans at all.

You don't care about human life. And so is that what that verse is saying or how do you interpret that? Yeah, I will. I mean, the heart is all the passions and desires of the inner man, you know, that drives and motivates the will, I would say, like something along those lines.

I may not be describing perfectly, but when I agree with you, I think when it says he enlarged his heart, he gave him a big enough heart to be so curious and in love with God's creation that it would fuel the wisdom to actually go out and motivate it to move out into the world. That's what I'm kind of getting from that is God needed to enlarge him, make him bigger than he would have been otherwise that he would have the capacity to take in all that stuff because he actually enjoyed it. Right.

So you can get to the point where if you're trying to learn something that you don't love, if you're trying to learn about something you're not interested in, it's way harder than having large heart towards it where you love what you're learning or you love God's creation and it's not a burden. You can take in much, much more. That's why when you when you listen to a good song, you can learn the lyrics like that.

You won't learn the lyrics to a song you hate because you don't like it. Right. So it's much easier.

You know, it's much easier to interact with that. So I do agree with you. I think there is some kind of a there's an ethical understanding behind that enlargement of heart that's fueling him to exercise that mastery through wisdom.

You know, yeah. So I agree. Are you with me? Are you? Yes.

No, I'm with you there. Okay. Yeah.

And it's fascinating that he does that. So so maybe that's a good exhortation of the little bullet point for this podcast we can take out is you need to have a heart that's renewed to actually exercise mastery through wisdom. You can't do that with a cold, dead heart.

You need to be born again. Okay. So let's push this a little further.

We kind of we've kind of been getting into this a little bit, but in modern day, even jelly, western western Christianity, we are a little Gnostic. We kind of overemphasize the metaphysical than the physical. Well, let's get to your text here.

You were going to read something next. So go ahead and start pulling that up while I set the stage. But I got it.

Okay, good. So when the scriptures talk about a man being spiritual, it's talking about a man being led by the spirit, not that he's wispy and metaphysical or just concerned with the metaphysical things. It's not it is it means he's been born again by the spirit and that he's led by the spirit and walking in step with the spirit, which includes him doing physical things in a certain way.

So like like Solomon, we see the spirit of God obviously working in this man. He has an enlarged heart, which is only given by God, and he's been given wisdom from God.

That's called a spirit led man.

And how's that manifesting? He understands the physical trees and the physical animals and the physical birds. He understands the physical world. He loves the physical world.

That's a large component of being led by the spirit is that it comes out of your fingertips and you want to interact with the world and you love God's creation. So we sometimes think that the spiritual man is the theologian, the seminarian, the man that spends time reading 24 seven or the man that contemplates metaphysical things 24 seven. Now they're connected metaphysical things connect to the physical.

That's that's that's just a fact of reality. So I guess that's kind of what I have to say about that. I don't know if you anything to add or if you just want to go into that text you have.

Yeah, let me add to it. Neither Rock nor I are dismissing the theologian or the one that reads a lot like that. That is critical.

And but we're what we're trying to fight against, if you will, is this concept that if you if you only know if you're only a farmer, then you're not going to be like you're not going to be used by God like a Christian farm like that. And that's the idea, especially in these large churches like why I really just need to get into ministry. I really know like a farmer is in ministry.

If he if he is a Christian man being spirit led taking care of his crops is a ministry and he's probably going home and teaching his kids and his family what what to do and you know that that's ministry you don't have to. You don't have to lead a Bible study or understand how to read the Puritans well without an abridged version or whatever, you know, that that's not necessary. So that's what we're fighting against.

Yeah, yeah. Amen. So you want to you want to come back on that.

Amen. Keep going. So Exodus 31.

We have this quick picture of a man actually two men in particular being still with the spirit of God metaphysically being filled the spirit of God. And they don't become prophets. They don't they don't start seeing visions.

They don't start speaking in tongues. What they do is they get actual skills with their hands. So I'll read it really quick and forgive me for not pronouncing their names correctly.

So the Lord said to Moses is actually 31 starting in verse one. See, I have called by name Bezalel, the son of Yuri, the son of her of the tribe of Judah, and I have filled him with the spirit of God. So step one, he was filled with the spirit of God with ability and intelligence, with knowledge and all craftsmanship to devise artistic designs to work in gold, silver

and bronze and cutting stones for setting and in carving wood to work in every craft.

And behold, I have appointed with him a holy ab, the son of a hissomak of the tribe of Dan. And I have given to all able men ability and they may make all that I have commanded you. So again, the setting of this is God is telling Moses all that needs to be done for the tabernacle.

Yeah. And probably in the back of Moses head is like, who's going to do this? I don't know a single. Yeah, they were all just slaves.

Like, yeah, they were cutting stones for pyramids and stuff and making things out of mud and grass. But you're asking for some really intricate stuff. You're like, who's going to do this? And then God says, oh, no, I got you covered.

And I'm going to give this guy and it doesn't go as far as Solomon. But clearly this man, Bezalel and his assistant, a holy ab, their minds were open. Their hearts were open.

They grew to love the craft and they probably didn't know a lot before him, but they were by the Spirit of God given that skill. Yeah. Yeah, that's awesome.

This makes me think of when we when we speak and comment on we'll say, oh, somebody, oh, they're a natural or, you know, like, they're gifted. You know, they're extremely good. We'll use language like that.

And we shouldn't think that in God's providence, that is not his spirit working in those people, forming, you know, God, you form me in the womb and you knew me. You made me wonderful. Right.

Yeah. Some people are just naturally gifted at a lot of different things like just they just comes to them. Yeah.

And I think we shouldn't materialize that. We should we should recognize that this is God's providence and forming that person metaphysically, giving them the enlarged heart towards that thing. Right.

That they can understand it easily. They can grasp it easily and they're just good at it. Would you agree? Yeah.

I mean, I don't want to go into haunted cosmos here, but we want to materialize everything. We want to get over, oh, well, that person just gifted in this way because they were born with the right genetics and their brain is the right way. Like, no, stop it.

God crafted them that way. And God crafted this person that way. And even if they're not skilled and dumb, God still made them.

You know what I mean? Like, they're still serving a purpose for the glory of God. And

that's what's important here. Yeah.

Yeah, I totally agree. That's good. Yeah.

That Exodus verse is powerful. He just he made them really good at just working as a black, you know, blacksmith and crafting, you know, it's like that's awesome to think about. So if you've been gifted with something like that, if you're listening and you're just a natural at whatever you're natural at, you should thank God for that and give him praise and honor because you're that way.

Yes, you've exercised and responded to what he's done and you've honed in that gift. But the fact that it comes so naturally to you, that's not of your own doing. God made you.

You still got to work at it and you're going to have to become better at that and grow in that understanding of that thing. But yeah, that natural giftedness, you should thank God for that 100 percent. Yeah, I wouldn't do it to his glory.

Yeah, exactly. Thank you for that. Yeah.

And then do it for his glory. That's good. Yeah.

And then I guess one other thing as we wrap up here, a lot of people in the reformed circle that we listen to a lot of kinkin, a lot of dudes you and I listen to probably a lot of people that listen to us are going to listen to some of the similar people. And if you don't, hopefully this just challenges you a little bit. But the this idea of dominion, we hear it tossed around a lot in reform circles like exercise dominion.

Dominion is good. Patriarchy is good. It's good for man and Indian, right? That's the way God made us.

You know, the cultural mandate, you'll hear that as a theological term. God gave us this this culture building mandate at the beginning in Genesis for humanity to go and succeed in this dominion taking of the world. But we may sometimes not understand the work that goes into that, I guess, that yes, God will empower us by his spirit to do that and give us natural giftedness to build the kingdom in a lot of different ways.

But we have to have like Solomon, we have to have wisdom. We have to have now we have to understand the way God made the world. We need to be wise and cunning.

We need to be like that to actually have mastery over the world. This mastery or just the word dominion by itself isn't enough. We need to also realize the things that come up with it.

All the different giftings, spiritual giftings, gifts of the spirit, fruits of the spirit that God's given us. They all look in tandem to make us one complete man. And each Christian man

needs to have be well rounded like that.

And one of the attributes included in that dominion taking ability for man is his ability to have knowledge and be wise and discerning. And Adam was like this to the garden. We see again, if we're going back to biblical theology, we see Adam, Adam in the garden.

He is naming the creatures. He knows them into. He names them according to what they do.

And he understands them. And his goal was to cultivate them and to orient them to their greatest good. Now we know what happened.

Unfortunately, he wasn't able to fulfill that completely. But we still have that. You know, me and Keegan and anybody that's listening, we still have that call on the whole human race.

And we're still working towards that, towards those ends. So I don't know. Do you have any kind of wrapping up thoughts finishes up here? So this is a little bit off.

Another almost topic conversation underneath dominion. But there's, I think it's Michael Foster says that our, a lot of our generation, a lot of the men in our generation and younger are functional bastards. Yeah.

To where our fathers are the ones who are the leading, are leading this evangelical movement, right? This, this soft Christianity who doesn't want to offend, doesn't want to step on toes. They're egalitarian or worse, you know, like everything under the sun. And so, you know, I didn't start hearing about the cultural mandate, the dominion mandate, taking mastery of things until like four years ago.

And I, and Satan is using that to whisper lies of you're inadequate. You're not good enough. You're too far behind.

Just give up, give up, give up. Yeah. Because there's so many ways to exercise dominion, particularly when you hadn't been at all, you know, or you weren't trained in that.

And so it gets, it can be very overwhelming. It can be very discouraging and make you feel like you're not good enough. Right? At least in my experience and I know in others.

And so if you're out there listening, saying this is all well and good, but can I have some practical application? One thing I would say is start with your family. If you're married, even if you don't have kids, do family worship with your wife. Wash her in the water of the word, right? Lead her in that.

Sing songs together. Become a master of your household and do it. Bombadils way, right? Where your wife should love to be with you.

You shouldn't be domineering. She dreads family worship or she dreads your presence. She should want to be in your presence.

Just like all the Kings wanted to be in Solomon's presence, right? And from there, if you have kids, then do family worship with your kids. Teach your kids. If you're single, then just hone in on one, the word first.

That was my first thing. It's like, I'm going to learn the word. Yeah.

I'm going to learn it better and better and better. And then from there, that gives you the largest part. Going back to Solomon again to then start doing whatever you feel like you are skilled at.

Whether that's gardening or permaculture or whatever it may be. Yeah. Wow.

That was really good, brother. I appreciate that. Yeah, that was awesome.

That's encouraging. Just hearing you talk. I want to connect another point there when we think about family life as a man.

It is incumbent on us as men to know our why, like study your wife. Like thinking about Solomon, having knowledge and wisdom. You need to discern, know what makes your wife tick.

Know what makes her sad. Know what deflates her. You need to study your wife, you know, like in your mind.

You need to be studying her and know how you can best make her flourish as a man. Yes. You need to grow in knowledge of that person because each person is unique.

And then same thing with your kids. You're going to have to study each kid. I know.

I mean, you have a bunch of kids kicking. I'm just my wife. He's about to give birth.

So I'll have my first year soon, which is awesome. But I'm sure you can already attest to this, that each kid's obviously very different. And some of them, like one of your kids is going to suck at something that another kid is great at.

You need to study them and as a father, know each thing you're dealing with and orient it to its greatest good. Each one of your children, you know, so we need to be wise and discerning and have knowledge even about humans, not alone, just trees and animals and, and the material world. But part of that is people.

We need to know people very well to exercise good dominion. Yeah. 100%.

And if you're out there listening and saying, no, I've, I am excellent at this craft, but your home is in shambles and your wife hates you and your kids hate you, then go quit the

craft. Give it up for a while and get back to your home, get on your knees and repent and do better. Like that's where it all, that's where it needs to start.

But also, you know, there may just be people out there that are just super discouraged because like there are times where it just gets so hard and it feels so overwhelming where, man, I'm 29 and it wasn't until I was like 25 that I'd even heard of the phrase family worship, right? Like I was, I was behind. Yeah. Wow.

And so to try to, to try to catch up to that can feel really, really daunting. And so to those people, just, just don't give up, take it one step at a time and just chip away at it. And it's just like sanctification.

The person that repents at 99 is just the same as the person that repented at three. Right. Yeah.

But the person that repented at three is going to have a much more godly, rich, righteous life from the person that 99 is. And so the same thing for this, this concept as well. Yeah.

Amen, brother. Well, yeah, I hope that was a fruitful and helpful discussion for you guys. If you have any comments, you can comment on this YouTube video.

So that's cool. You can. Yeah.

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I bet it was, it was open. So yeah, for the King. But yeah, thanks for listening guys.

And if you're listening through podcasts, I appreciate all you sticking with me. And you know, if you guys are on the podcast, you can reach me at for the King podcast at gmail.com. If you have anything you want to interact with on this episode. Thank you, Keegan.

Thank you, Keegan. Thank you, brother, for your insight and appreciate the conversation. And yeah, I think, I think we nailed that.

You know, nailed that. And hopefully you guys could take something away from that. So I always end with the doxology and first Timothy one 17, the king of the ages, immortal and visible.

The only God, the honor and glory forever and ever. Amen. Solely day.

Oh, Lord. Yeah. Yeah.