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Revelation 1:5b-6a AMP

⁵ ...To Him Who ever loves us and has once [for all] loosed and freed us from our sins by His own blood, ⁶ And formed us into a kingdom (a royal race), priests to His God and Father...

Revelation 5:10 AMP

¹⁰ And You have made them a kingdom (royal race) and priests to our God, and they shall reign [as kings] over the earth!

a: Beloved monarch – David authority

Proverbs 29:2

² When the righteous are in authority, the people rejoice; but when a wicked man rules, the people groan.

Proverbs 8:15

¹⁵ By me kings reign, and rulers decree justice.

Proverbs 8:12-14

¹² I, wisdom, dwell with prudence, And find out knowledge *and* discretion. ¹³ The fear of the Lord *is* to hate evil; Pride and arrogance and the evil way And the perverse mouth I hate. ¹⁴ Counsel *is* mine, and sound wisdom; I *am* understanding, I have strength. ¹⁵ By me kings reign, And rulers decree justice. ¹⁶ By me princes rule, and nobles, All the judges of the earth. ¹⁷ I love those who love me, And those who seek me diligently will find me. ¹⁸ Riches and honor *are* with me, Enduring riches and righteousness. ¹⁹ My fruit *is* better than gold, yes, than fine gold, And my revenue than choice silver. ²⁰ I traverse the way of righteousness, In the midst of the paths of justice, ²¹ That I may cause those who love me to inherit wealth, That I may fill their treasuries.

Colossians 2:3

³ in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.

John 16:13-15

¹³ However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come. ¹⁴ He will glorify Me, for he will take of what is Mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵ All things that the Father has are Mine. Therefore I said that He will take of Mine and declare it to you.

Through intimacy

Psalms 42:1

¹ As the deer pants for the water brooks, so pants my soul for You, O God.

Psalms 63:1-2

¹ O God, You are my God; early will I seek You; my soul thirsts for You; my flesh longs for You in a dry and thirsty land where there is no water. ² So I have looked for You in the sanctuary, to see Your power and Your glory.

Through grace

Proverbs 22:11

¹¹ He who loves purity of heart and has grace on his lips, the king will be his friend.

Ecclesiastes 8:4a

⁴ Where the word of a king is, there is power...

Power to legislate / decree

James 3:10-12

¹⁰ Out of the same mouth proceed blessing and cursing. My brethren, these things ought not to be so. ¹¹ Does a spring send forth fresh water and bitter from the same opening? ¹² Can a fig tree, my brethren, bear olives, or a grape vine bear figs? ¹² Thus no spring yields both salt water and fresh.

Proverbs 18:21

²¹ Death and life are in the power of the tongue, and those who love it will eat its fruit.

Esther 9:32

³² So the decree of Esther confirmed these matters of Purim, and it was written in the book.

b: Glory of kings - courage

Proverbs 25:2 NIV

² It is the glory of God to conceal a matter; to search out a matter is the glory of kings.

Luke 11:9-13 AMP

⁹ So I say to you, Ask and keep on asking and it shall be given you; seek and keep on seeking and you shall find; knock and keep on knocking and the door shall be opened to you. ¹⁰ For everyone who asks and keeps on asking receives; and he who seeks and keeps on seeking finds; and to him who knocks and keeps on knocking, the door shall be opened. ¹¹ What father among you, if his son asks for a loaf of bread, will give him a stone; or if he asks for a fish, will instead of a fish give him a serpent? ¹² Or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? ¹³ If you then, evil as you are, know how to give good gifts [gifts that are to their advantage] to your children, how much more will your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask and continue to ask Him!

Romans 5:3-5 NASB

³ And not only this, but we also exult in our tribulations, knowing that tribulation brings about perseverance; ⁴ and perseverance, proven character; and proven character, hope; ⁵ and hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out within our hearts through the Holy Spirit who was given to us.

Romans 5:17 NASB

¹⁷ For if by the transgression of the one, death reigned through the one, much more those who receive the abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness will reign in life through the One, Jesus Christ.

John 16:33 NASB

³³ These things I have spoken to you, so that in Me you may have peace. In the world you have tribulation, but take courage; I have overcome the world.

I Peter 4:14 NIV

¹⁴ If you are insulted because of the name of Christ, you are blessed, for the Spirit of glory and of God rests on you.

E.g. Esther

Esther 4:13-16 NASB

¹³ Then Mordecai told them to reply to Esther, "Do not imagine that you in the king's palace can escape any more than all the Jews. ¹⁴ For if you remain silent at this time, relief and deliverance will arise for the Jews from another place and you and your father's house will perish. And who knows whether you have not attained royalty for such a time as this?" ¹⁵ Then Esther told them to reply to Mordecai, ¹⁶ "Go, assemble all the Jews who are found in Susa, and fast for me; do not eat or drink

for three days, night or day. I and my maidens also will fast in the same way. And thus I will go in to the king, which is not according to the law; and if I perish, I perish.”

c: Reign of righteousness - integrity

When slaves reign

Proverbs 19:10 NIV

¹⁰ It is not fitting for a fool to live in luxury — how much worse for a slave to rule over princes!

Proverbs 30:21-23 NIV

²¹ Under three things the earth trembles, under four it cannot bear up: ²² a servant who becomes king, a fool who is full of food, ²³ an unloved woman who is married, and a maidservant who displaces her mistress.

Proverbs 16:12-13

¹² It is an abomination for kings to commit wickedness, for a throne is established by righteousness.

¹³ Righteous lips are the delight of kings, and they love him who speaks what is right.

Proverbs 29:4a, 12

⁴ The king establishes the land by justice...

¹² If a ruler pays attention to lies, all his servants become wicked.

E.g. Daniel

Daniel 6:4-5

⁴ So the governors and satraps sought to find some charge against Daniel concerning the kingdom; but they could find no charge or fault, because he was faithful; nor was there any error or fault found in him. ⁵ Then these men said, “We shall not find any charge against this Daniel unless we find it against him concerning the law of his God.”

- able to discern truth
- able to dispense justice

d: Dynasty of love - mercy

Proverbs 20:28

²⁸ Mercy and truth preserve the king, and by lovingkindness he upholds his throne.

Proverbs 29:14

¹⁴ The king who judges the poor with truth, his throne will be established forever.

E.g. Joseph

Genesis 45:4-5, 7-8

⁴ and Joseph said to his brothers, “Please come near to me.” So they came near. Then he said, “I am Joseph your brother, whom you sold into Egypt. ⁵ But now, do not therefore be grieved or angry with yourselves because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life.

⁷ And God sent me before you to preserve a posterity for you in the earth, and to save your lives by a great deliverance. ⁸ So now it was not you who sent me here, but God; and He has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house, and a ruler throughout all the land of Egypt.”