

Ruling in the fear of God

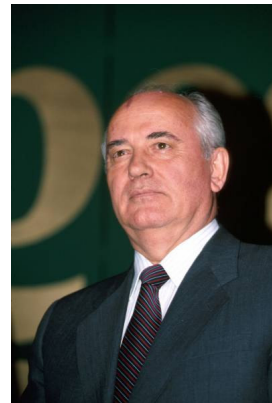
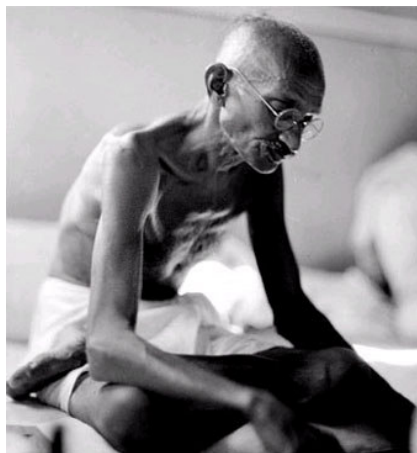
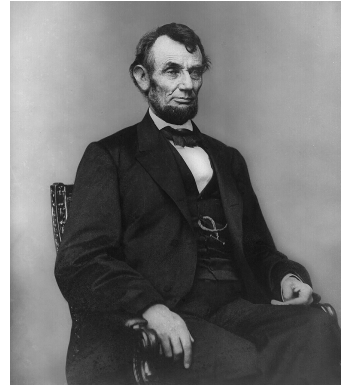
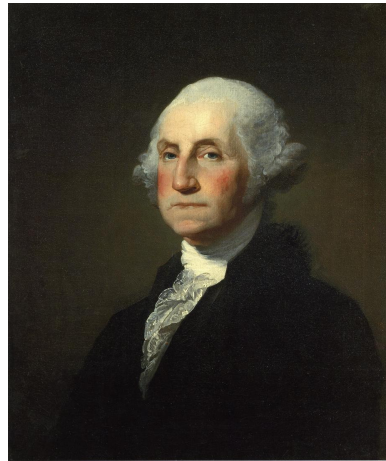
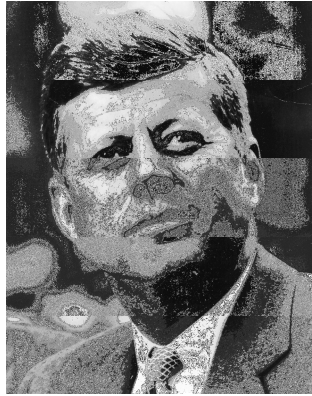
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lead·er·ship (lə'dɜː-
a leader. 2. A group of
ability to lead.

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lead in (ləd'ɪn') n.
that leads

Flint glass

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The dilemma

A ruler without power is IMPOTENT

YET

A ruler with all the power becomes a TYRANT

The Authorized Version c1600

To the most high and mighty prince, James, by the Grace of God, King of Great Britain...

Great and manifold were the blessings, most dread Sovereign, which Almighty God, the Father of all mercies, bestowed upon us the people of England, when first he sent Your Majesty's Royal Person to rule and reign over us. ... the appearance of Your Majesty, as of the Sun in his strength... gave unto all that were well affected exceeding cause of comfort; especially when we beheld the Government established in Your Highness and Your hopeful Seed

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... Your very name is precious among (the people): their eye doth behold You with comfort, and they bless You in their hearts, as that sanctified Person, who, under God, is the immediate author of their true happiness...

And now at last, by the mercy of God, and the continuance of our labours, it being brought unto such a conclusion, as that we have great hopes that the Church of England shall reap good fruit thereby, we hold it our duty to offer it to Your Majesty, not only as to our King and Sovereign, but as to the principal mover and author of the Work; humbly craving of your most Sacred Majesty, that, since things of this quality have ever been subject to the censures of ill-meaning and discontented persons, it may receive approbation and patronage from so learned and judicious a Prince as Your Highness is...



James I

“James I was cunning, covetous, wasteful, idle, drunken, greedy, dirty, cowardly, a great swearer, and the most conceited man on earth”

Charles Dickens

2 Chronicles 33:9

“Manasseh **made** Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem to sin and to do worse than the heathen whom the Lord had destroyed before the children of Israel”

'To Govern'

- 'Reign' from Latin 'regere' = "to GOVERN"
- 'Govern' - from French 'gouverner'
 - from Latin 'gubernare'
 - from Greek 'kubernan'
 - "TO STEER"
- The King STEERS the nation.

Leadership

- “the process of INFLUENCE in which one person can **enlist the aid and support of others** in the accomplishment of a common task”
- “**creating a way** for people to contribute to making something extraordinary happen”
- “**encouraging** dialogue, **establishing** processes and **articulating** values and visions clearly. **Setting** agendas, **identifying** problems, and **initiating change**”

500BC – Confucius

- Leadership is a matter of FIVE principles:
 - 1) Intelligence
 - 2) trustworthiness
 - 3) humaneness
 - 4) courage
 - 5) discipline.

500BC – Confucius

- Reliance on Intelligence alone - results in rebelliousness.
- Exercise of Humaneness alone - results in weakness
- Fixation on Trust alone - results in folly.
- Dependence on strength of Courage alone - results in violence.
- Discipline and sternness in command alone - results in cruelty.
- **“When one has all five virtues together, each appropriate to its function, then one can be a leader.”**

Intelligence

Discipline

Trustworthiness

Humaneness

Courage

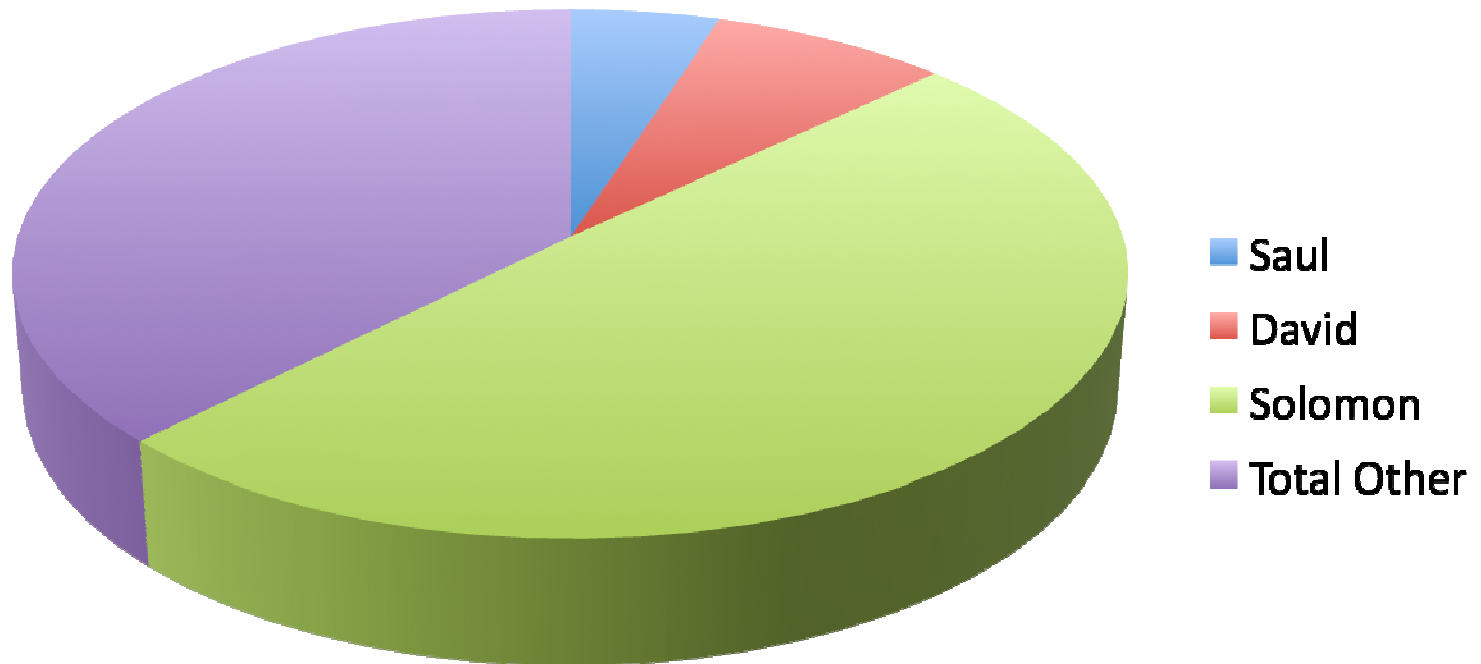
Deuteronomy 17:20

...that his heart may not be lifted above his brethren, that he may not turn aside from the commandment to the right hand or to the left, and that he may prolong his days in his kingdom, he and his children in the midst of Israel.

1 & 2 Samuel and 1 & 2 Kings

- Economic activities
 - Administrative decisions
 - Military operations
 - International affairs
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- Saul = < 5%
 - David = 8%
 - Solomon = 45%

1 & 2 Samuel and 1 & 2 Kings



Proverbs for Kings

- Proverbs 25 - How to handle ISSUES
- Proverbs 26 - How to discern CHARACTER
- Proverbs 27 - How to handle RELATIONSHIPS
- Proverbs 28 - How to show INTEGRITY
- Proverbs 29 - How to govern with WISDOM

Proverbs for Kings

- Be able to identify different personalities and learn to work with them
- Practice scripturally principled and truthful governance
- Solve issues and problems with wisdom and understanding

Proverbs 16:10-13

10 Divination (AV - A divine sentence) is on the lips of the king; His mouth must not transgress in judgment. **11** Honest weights and scales are the LORD's; All the weights in the bag are His work.

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.

To judge

- Hebrew - 'Mashal'
'to rule', 'have dominion over', 'to judge'

'TO ASSIMILATE' - "to MAKE LIKE"

Genesis 24:1-2

1 Now Abraham was old, well advanced in age; and the LORD had blessed Abraham in all things. **2** So Abraham said to the oldest servant of his house, who **ruled** over all that he had, “Please, put your hand under my thigh...”

Genesis 45:7-8

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.

1 Chronicles 29:11-13

11 Yours, O LORD, is the greatness, The power and the glory, The victory and the majesty; For all that is in heaven and in earth is Yours, Yours is the kingdom, O LORD, And You are exalted as head over all. **12** Both riches and honor come from You, And **You reign over all**. In Your hand is power and might; In Your hand it is to make great And to give strength to all. **13** “Now therefore, our God, We thank You And praise Your glorious name.

To rule

New Testament

‘Hegeomai’ – to rule, be a leader, have authority

‘Arkho’ – to rule, to be chief, to be first

‘Proistemi’ – to set over, to preside over, to superintend.

‘Kanon’ – a rod, measuring stick, any principle or law

‘Brabeuo’ – to rule, to UMPIRE, to decide, to determine

- Colossians 3:15

15 And let the peace of God **rule** in your hearts, to which also you were called in one body; and be thankful.

To rule

‘Poimaino’

‘to rule’, ‘to govern’

‘to tend, to keep’

‘to **NOURISH**’

1 Peter 5:2

“Feed the flock of God, taking the oversight not by constraint but willingly, not for filthy lucre, but of a ready mind”

Nourish

- Acts 20:28

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*

- Revelation 7

15 *Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve Him day and night in His temple. And He who sits on the throne will dwell among them. **16** They shall neither hunger anymore nor thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any heat; **17** for the Lamb who is in the midst of the throne will **shepherd** them and lead them to living fountains of waters. And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”*

Jesus

- Greek - 'Kathistemi'
“to be MADE a ruler”

- Matthew 25:20-21

20 “So he who had received five talents came and brought five other talents, saying, ‘Lord, you delivered to me five talents; look, I have gained five more talents besides them.’ **21** His lord said to him, ‘Well done, good and faithful servant; you were faithful over a few things, I will **make you ruler** over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.’

Scriptural guidance for leadership

- Practice righteousness
- Judge with wisdom and understanding
- Steer your family towards God
- Be a source of nourishment
- Be prepared!

1 Samuel 10:1-8

Who Saul would meet on his journey:

- 1) Two men by Rachel's tomb with news
- 2) Three men at the Oak of Tabor with offerings
- 3) A group of prophets, giving praise to God

Progression

Samuel

Two
men

Three
men

Group
of men

Progression

Anointed

Glad
Tidings

Gifts and
Offerings

Fellowship
Instruction
Spirit Gifts

Progression

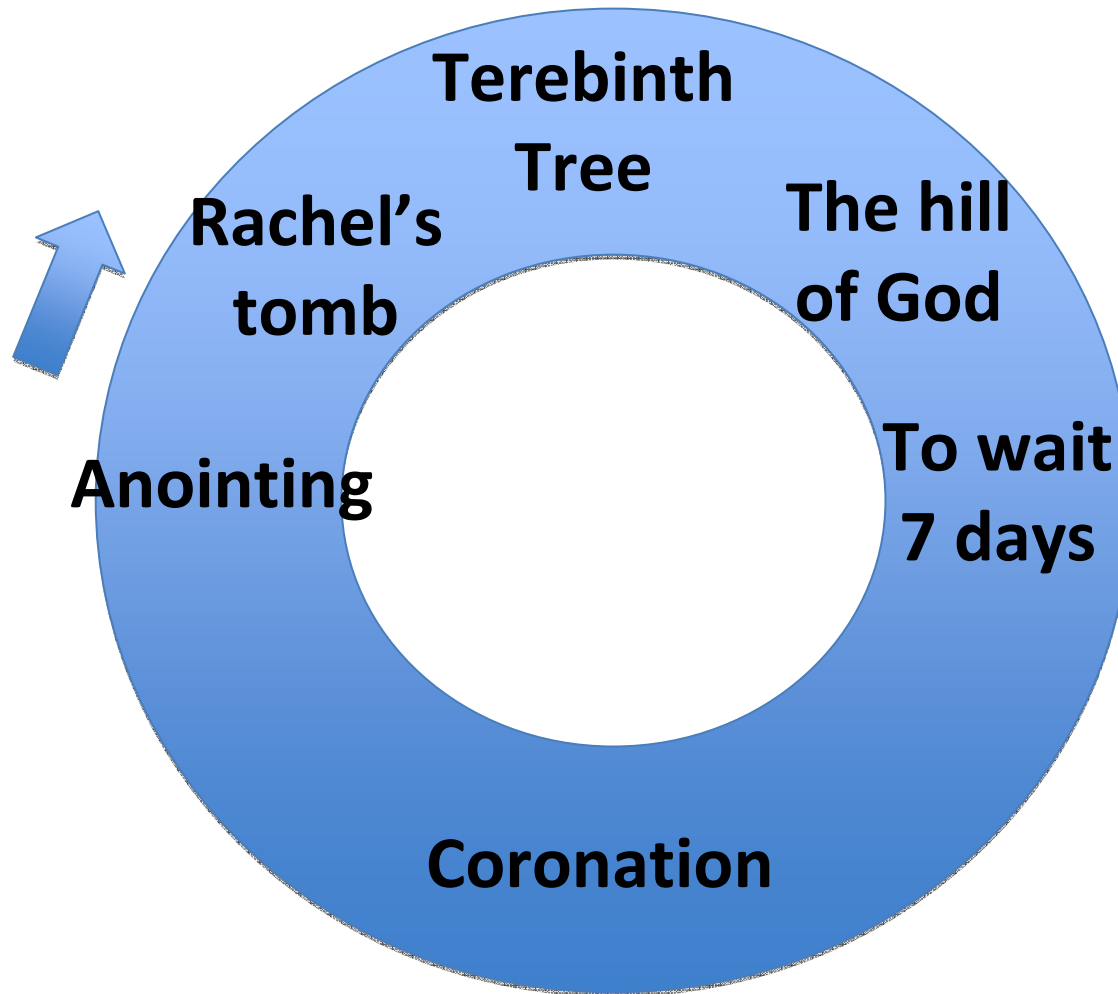
Turn your
life over to
God

Have faith
in God's
message

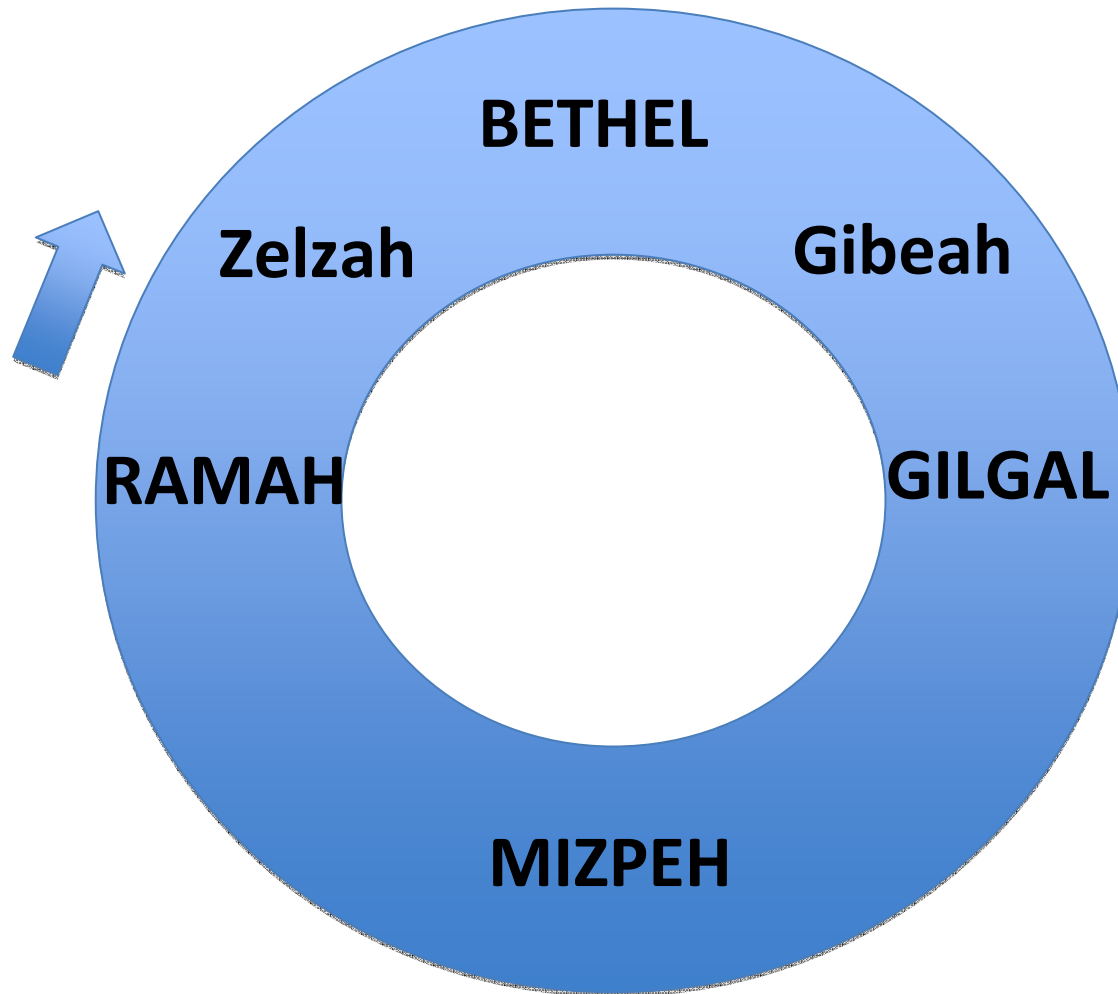
Your life as
a personal
offering to
God

- Fellowship
- Instruction
- Fruit of
the Spirit

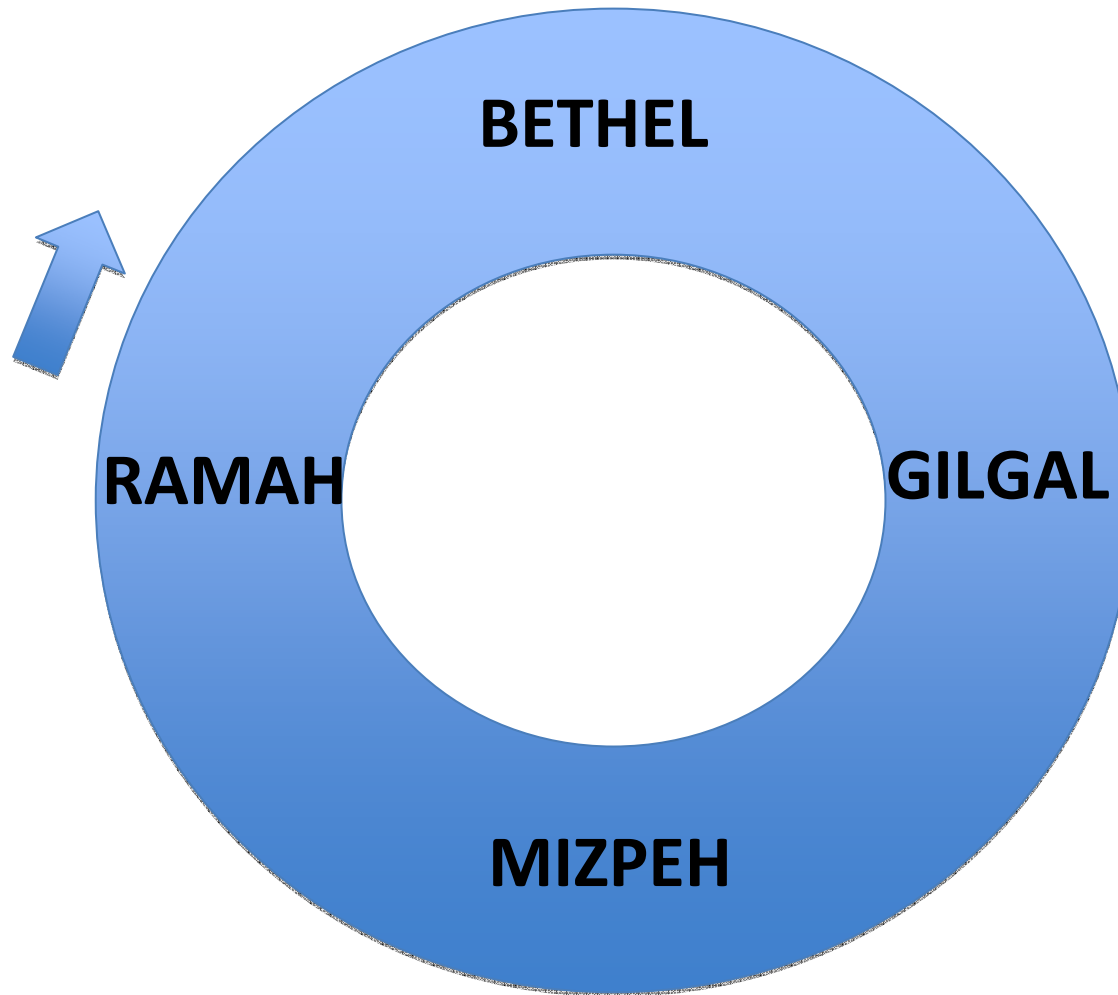
Saul's journey



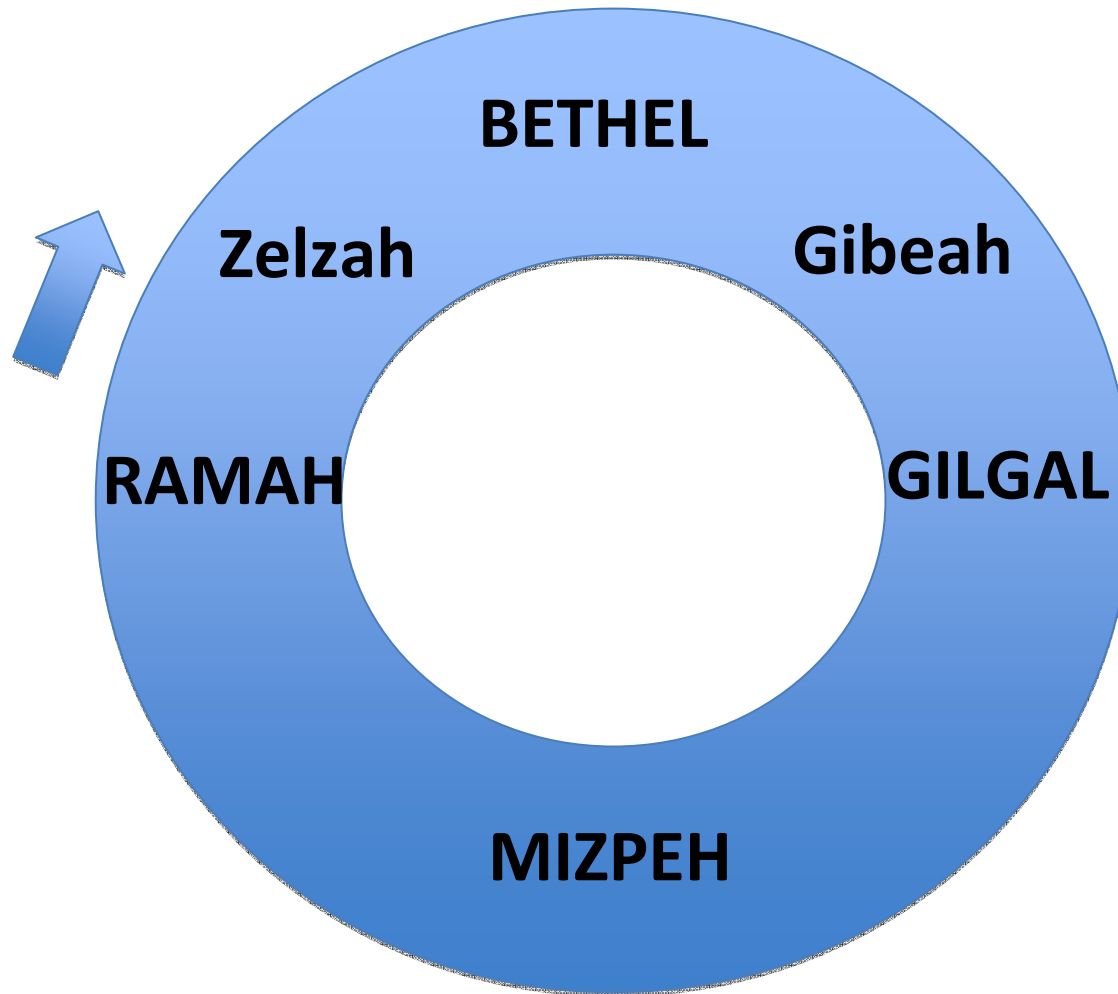
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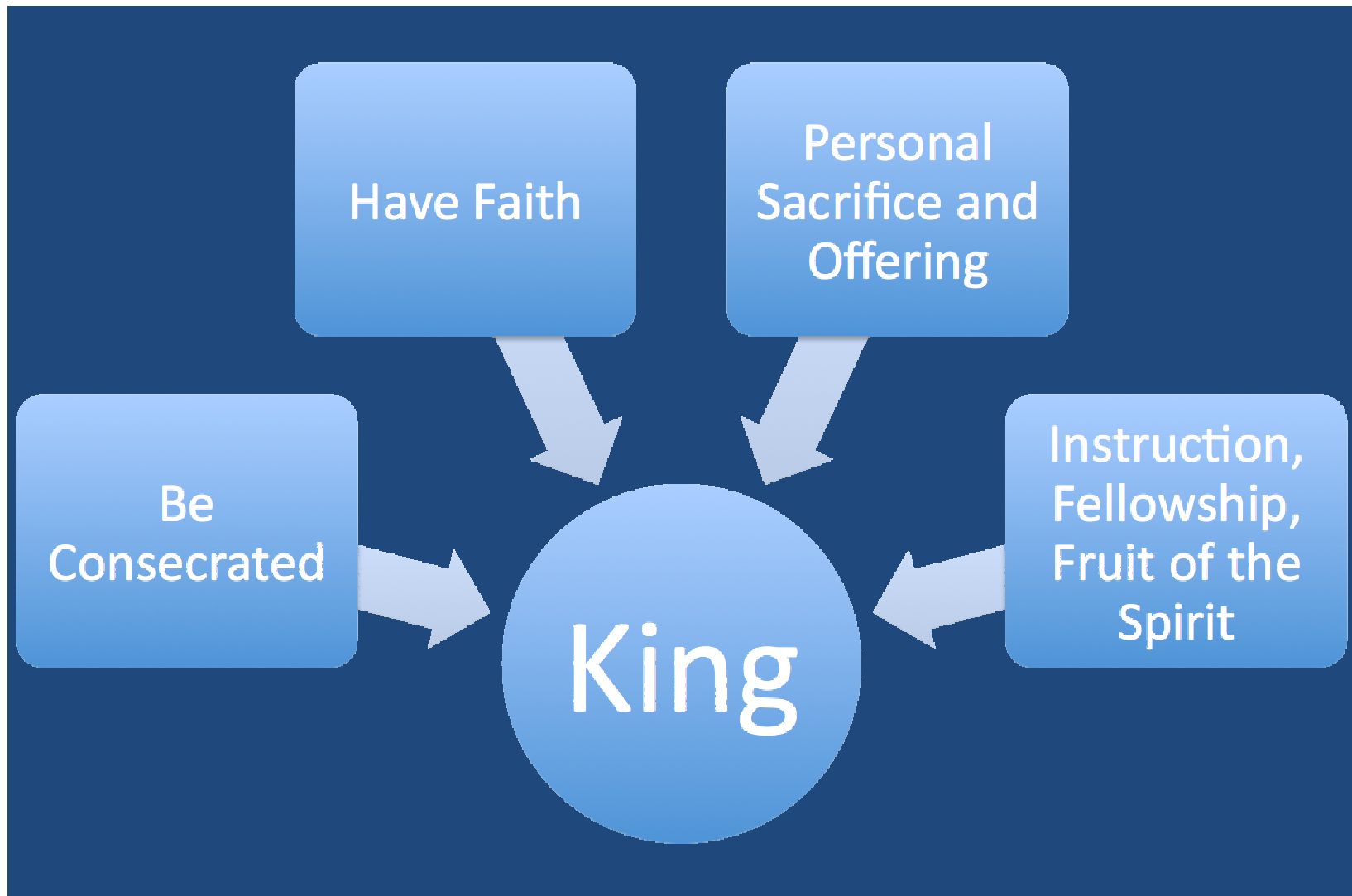
Samuel's circuit



Saul's journey



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