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(#206) The Proverbs of Solomon 30:29-31- Walk the Royal Walk

Since God Created humans, only God can provide specific understanding of human behavior. God gave Solomon Divine Wisdom ([1 Kings Chapters 3 and 10](#)) to explain what and why behavior is as it is, and [Proverbs 30-31](#) were added and preserved by the Holy Spirit. New Testament passages may help see the continuation of Wisdom offered through Jesus Christ.

Proverbs 30:29-31:

There are three things which are majestic in pace, yes, four which are stately in walk: A lion, which is mighty among beasts and does not turn away from any; A greyhound, A male goat also, And a king whose troops are with him.

Walking regally is an indication of inner confidence and fearlessness. Regality is born out of security, violence from hatred and fear. There is a reason for these four to illustrate "majestic pace" which Christians, especially, should add to their lives:

- 1) "A lion" because of strength and power. As our "adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour" ([1 Peter 5:8](#)), so the wicked:

Have closed up their fat hearts; with their mouths they speak proudly. They have now surrounded us in our steps; they have set their eyes, crouching down to the earth, as a lion is eager to tear his prey, and like a young lion lurking in secret places ([Psalm 17:10-12](#))

Those who follow God should have every reason to be secure.

In the fear of the LORD there is strong confidence, and His children will have a place of refuge. ([Proverbs 14:26](#))

The wicked flee when no one pursues, but the righteous are bold as a lion. ([Proverbs 28:1](#))

But even after we had suffered before and were spitefully treated at Philippi, as you know, we were bold in our God to speak to you the gospel of God in much conflict. ([1 Thessalonians 2:2](#))

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Christians must realize that we are to “abide in Him, that when He appears, we may have confidence and not be ashamed before Him at His coming” (1 John 2:28).

- 2) “A greyhound” because of speed and agility. God hates “feet that are swift in running to evil” (Proverbs 6:18), but faithful followers of God, who are “swift to hear” (James 1:19), often receive help from Him quickly.

In the day of my trouble I will call upon You, for You will answer me. (Psalm 86:7)

Answer me speedily, O LORD; My spirit fails! Do not hide Your face from me, lest I be like those who go down into the pit. Cause me to hear Your lovingkindness in the morning, for in You do I trust; cause me to know the way in which I should walk, for I lift up my soul to You. (Psalm 143:7-8)

For the eyes of the LORD are on the righteous, and His ears are open to their prayers; but the face of the LORD is against those who do evil. (1 Peter 3:12)

- 3) “A male goat” because of place and leadership. A man was created first (1 Timothy 2:13), and should be the leader of righteousness in his home (Ephesians 5:22-24). God rejects those who refuse this God-given responsibility.

For the perverse person is an abomination to the LORD, But His secret counsel is with the upright. (Proverbs 3:32)

- 4) “A king” because of trust and loyalty.

If you see the oppression of the poor, and the violent perversion of justice and righteousness in a province, do not marvel at the matter; for high official watches over high official, and higher officials are over them. (Ecclesiastes 5:8)

All government officials should take care to rule with righteousness, lest their enemies come from within.

These four illustrations give a “majestic” walk to the faithful.

You who fear the LORD, trust in the LORD; He is their help and their shield. (Psalm 115:11)



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Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus. ([Philippians 4:6-7](#))

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