

The Kingly Mantle Scroll

Witness

David — King of Israel

David was not chosen because of appearance, status, or reputation.

When Samuel looked upon the sons of Jesse, he saw strength, stature, and outward qualifications.

But Elohim looked deeper.

He looked upon the heart.

David was a shepherd before he was a king.

He learned responsibility before authority.

He learned faithfulness before leadership.

He learned obedience before government.

Long before he sat upon a throne, he learned to trust Elohim in the wilderness.

The kingly mantle begins long before a crown is placed upon the head.

It begins within the heart.

The Function

The kingly mantle exists to establish righteous order, provide leadership, protect what has been entrusted, and govern according to wisdom and justice.

The king is a steward.

The king is a protector.

The king is a builder.

The king is a servant of the people.

The purpose of government is not self-exaltation.

The purpose of government is stewardship.

A righteous king creates order where there is confusion.

A righteous king protects where there is danger.

A righteous king builds where there is lack.

A righteous king serves those under his care.

Bible Witness

"He chose David also his servant, and took him from the sheepfolds." —
Psalm 78:70

"So he fed them according to the integrity of his heart; and guided them by
the skilfulness of his hands." — Psalm 78:72

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"I have not commanded you to come up hither to trifle with the words which I shall speak." — Mosiah 2:9

King Benjamin taught that righteous kings exist to serve rather than to be served.

Both sticks testify that leadership is stewardship.

The Responsibility

The kingly mantle carries great responsibility.

Every decision affects others.

Every judgment influences lives.

Every act of leadership shapes the future.

The greater the authority, the greater the accountability.

Many desire the crown.

Few desire the burden.

The king must make difficult decisions.

The king must defend truth.

The king must stand firm when pressure comes.

The king must remain humble when success arrives.

A ruler who governs others but cannot govern himself will eventually bring disorder.

Therefore the first kingdom a king must govern is himself.

His thoughts.

His words.

His desires.

His actions.

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"He that ruleth his spirit is better than he that taketh a city." — Proverbs 16:32

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"See that ye bridle all your passions." — Alma 38:12

Self-government comes before kingdom government.

The Mind of Christ

The kingly mantle remains governed by the Crown Mantle.

Christ is the King of Kings.

Every earthly authority remains beneath His authority.

Without the Mind of Christ, kings become tyrants.

Without the Mind of Christ, leadership becomes domination.

Without the Mind of Christ, power becomes corruption.

The righteous king serves because Christ served.

The righteous king protects because Christ protects.

The righteous king leads because Christ leads.

The king does not build his own kingdom.

The king advances the Kingdom of God.

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"King of kings, and Lord of lords." — Revelation 19:16

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"For behold, I say unto you that the man that doeth this, the same cometh out in open rebellion against God." — Mosiah 2:37

The kingly mantle must remain submitted to the government of Christ.

Mission Application

A person walking in the kingly mantle today may:

- Lead a family.
- Manage resources.
- Organize communities.

- Build institutions.
- Direct projects.
- Establish order.
- Protect those under their stewardship.
- Create systems that bless future generations.

The kingly mantle often appears wherever responsibility is accepted and faithfully carried.

Not every king wears a crown.

Many govern through faithful stewardship.

The Charge

Govern yourself.

Lead with humility.

Judge with mercy.

Protect the people.

Build what endures.

Seek wisdom.

Honor truth.

Remain accountable.

Remember that every crown belongs beneath the feet of Christ.

Lead through service.

Rule through righteousness.

Let stewardship become your authority.

Let Christ remain your King.

Supporting Precepts

Bible

- 1 Samuel 16:7
- Psalm 78:70–72
- Proverbs 16:32
- Proverbs 29:2
- Revelation 19:16

Book of Mormon

- Mosiah 2:9–19
- Mosiah 29:13–16
- Alma 38:12
- Ether 6:22–27
- 2 Nephi 5:18

