



"Who's in Charge of Your Life?"

1st Kings 1

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"Let us then as Christians rejoice that we see around us on every hand the decay of the institutions and instruments of power, see intimations of empires falling to pieces, money in total disarray, dictators and parliamentarians alike nonplussed by the confusion and conflicts which encompass them. For it is precisely when every earthly hope has been explored and found wanting, when every possibility of help from earthly sources has been sought and is not forthcoming, when every recourse this world offers, moral as well as material, has been explored to no effect . . . and in the gathering darkness every glimmer of light has finally flickered out, it's then that Christ's hand reaches out sure and firm. Then Christ's words bring inexpressible comfort, then his light shines brightest, abolishing the darkness forever."

Malcolm Muggeridge

1. Be careful of sin, it has addictive powers. We reap what we sow, 1 King 1:1-6, 11, 18; Galatians 6:6-10.
2. The wages of sin is death, difficulty, rebellion, and a refusal to trust in God's plan to save by His King, 1 Kings 1:7-10; 1 Chronicles 22:6-12; Romans 3:23; Ephesians 2:1-3.
3. God provides, in His faithfulness, Nathan and Bathsheba, to preserve the kingly line, 1 Kings 1:10-27; Ephesians 2:4-10; 2 Timothy 2:13.
4. In the midst of our sin and chaos, God reigns, God rules, God is faithful: to His promise, His covenant, His King, His Gospel, 1 Kings 1:28-48;