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"But the Lord said unto Samuel, Look not on his countenance, or on the height of his stature; because I have refused him; for the Lord seeth not as man seeth; for man looketh on the outward appearance, but the Lord looketh on the heart." - 1 Samuel 16:7

I am fascinated with David as the various portions of scriptures reveal to us much about his character. Most often it is discussed how his attraction to Bathsheeba promoted him to commit adultery and murder her husband. There is also another story about him wherein he decides to number the people in Israel (1 Chronicles 21:1-30). This act was one of disobedience toward God and his underleader, Joab, was very disappointed with David for expecting him to follow these orders. Joab attempts to change David's mind, but was unsuccessful.



God knows our heart and when choosing to elevate us, He is aware of our strengths and weaknesses, which are often reflected in our decision making. If you have been elevated by God, but have disobeyed Him, do like David and throw yourself on the mercies of God.

David did not deny that his conduct was disorderly. When the time came to reap the consequences of his action David says in 1 Chronicles 21:13, "...let me fall, I pray you, into the hands of the Lord, for very great and many are His mercies; but let me not fall into the hands of man." This was his response to Gad, the seer, when confronted about his sin.

Although God has elevated your level life, it does not make you exempt from committing sin. However, since you are anointed for advancement, face God with an honest heart and know His mercies are from everlasting to everlasting. He is just and faithful to forgive us of our sins. His mercy precedes judgment every time!

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