

# *Before the THRONE*

## *The Devotional*

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2 Samuel 5:9-10

“So David lived in the stronghold, and called it the City of David. ...He built additional fortifications around the city, starting at the Millo and working inward. And David became greater and greater for the LORD God of hosts as with him.” 2 Samuel 5:9-10

Greatness is never really something that you can personally achieve. You may attain to a high public office. You may have wonderful talents or possibly a brilliant mind or the command of many languages. But greatness is never achieved by individual resolve but rather by the determination of three things.

First, the possibility for greatness lays in the small choices that daily flow from your quality of character. The decisions and actions made when you are not seen of men will determine how you respond when others are watching.

Secondly, we must be faithful in character and in purpose of living. Greatness is always allusive if searched for, but itself has a way of “dropping in” on the faithfully unsuspecting.

And finally, greatness may be defined by two things. If you are searching for greatness in the realm of men, at best you will have temporary glory and your name may one day be found in a dusty old book. But greatness defined by the Scriptures is this, “the greatest shall be the servant.” (Matthew 23:11).

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