

# The Scent of Christ

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**KINGDOM**

Missio Dei

**RIGHTEOUSNESS**

Imago Dei

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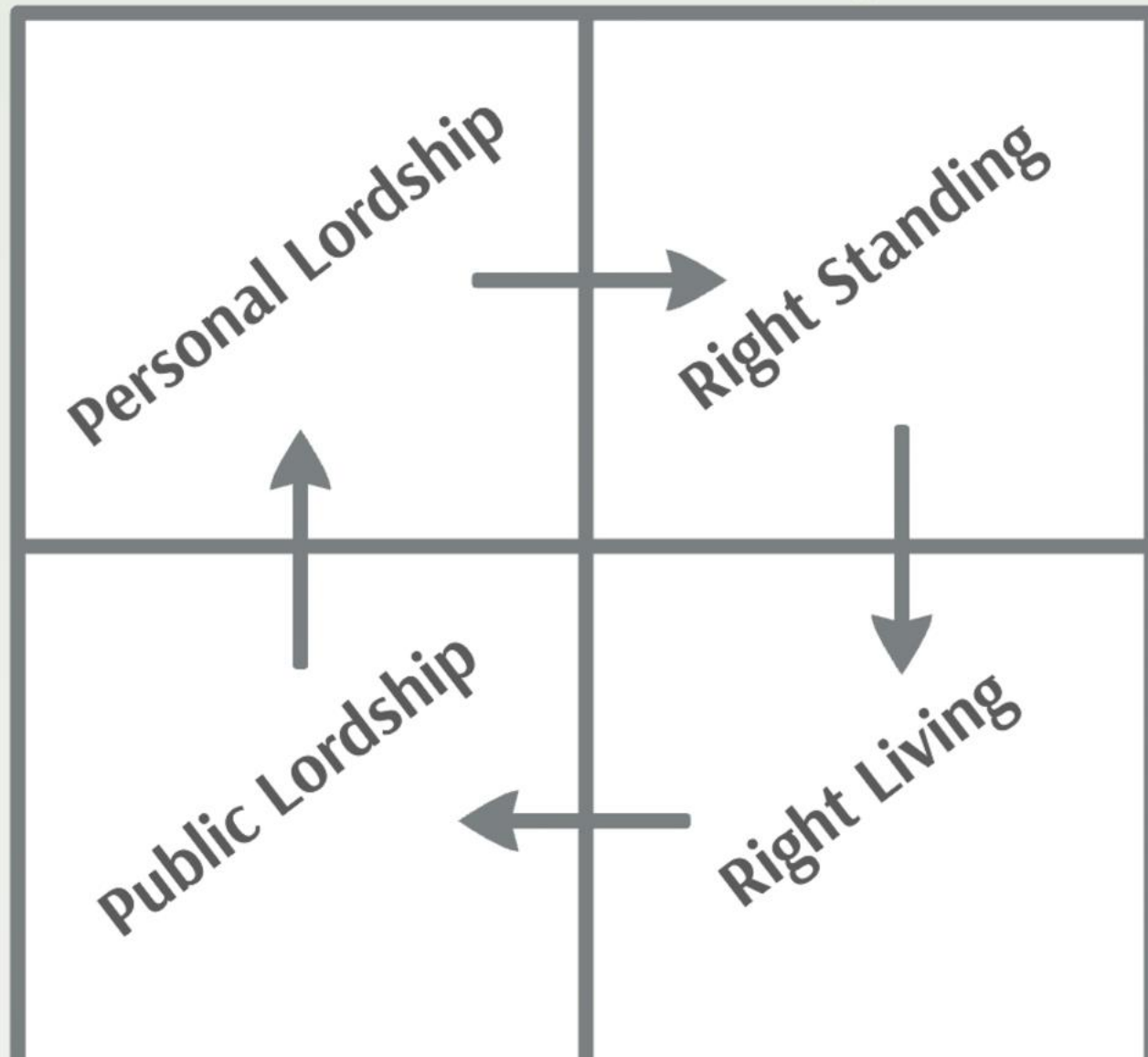
Personal Lordship

Right Standing

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Public Lordship

Right Living



## 2 Corinthians 2:12 -17

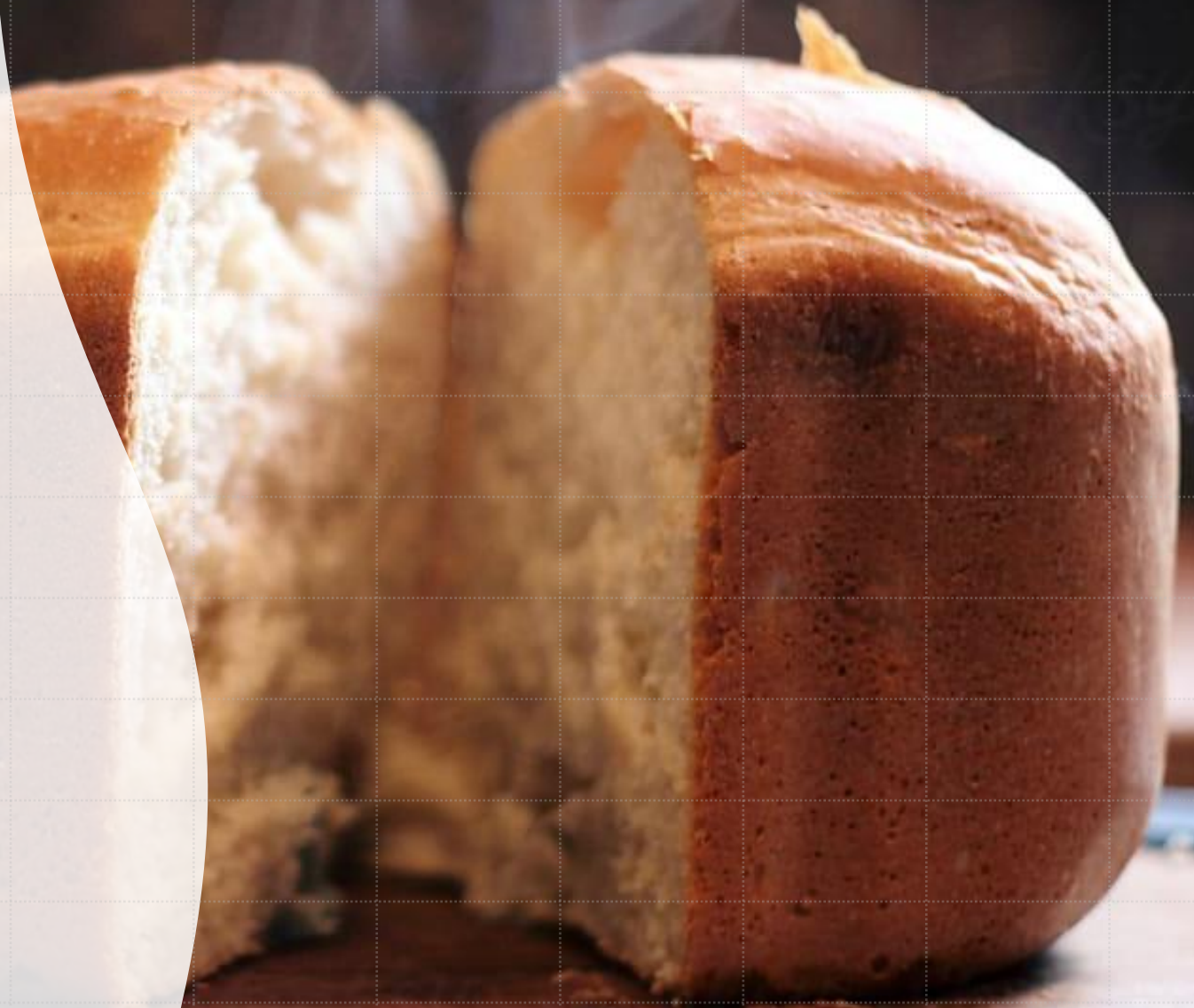
Now when I went to Troas to preach the gospel of Christ and found that the Lord had opened a door for me, I still had no peace of mind, because I did not find my brother Titus there. So I said goodbye to them and went on to Macedonia. But thanks be to God, who always lead us as captives in Christ's triumphal procession and uses us to spread the aroma of the knowledge of him everywhere.

## 2 Corinthians 2:12 -17

For we are to God the pleasing aroma of Christ among those are being saved and those who are perishing. To the one we are an aroma that brings death; to the other , an aroma that brings life. And who is equal to such a task? Unlike so many , we do not peddle the word of God for profit. On the contrary , in Christ we speak before God with sincerity as those sent from God.



What is your  
favourite smell  
in the whole  
world?





# Samuel and Eli



# The LORD Speaks to Samuel

Meanwhile, the boy Samuel served the LORD by assisting Eli. Now in those days messages from the LORD were very rare, and visions were quite uncommon.





One night Eli, who was almost blind by now, had gone to bed.

NIV: One night Eli, whose eyes were becoming so weak that he could barely see, was lying down in his usual place.

The lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was sleeping in the Tabernacle near the Ark of God.

Suddenly the LORD called out, "Samuel!"

"Yes?" Samuel replied. "What is it?" He got up and ran to Eli. "Here I am. Did you call me?"


"I didn't call you," Eli replied. "Go back to bed." So he did.

Then the LORD called out again, "Samuel!"

Again Samuel got up and went to Eli. "Here I am. Did you call me?"

"I didn't call you, my son," Eli said. "Go back to bed."

Samuel did not yet know the LORD because he had never had a message from the LORD before. So the LORD called a third time, and once more Samuel got up and went to Eli. "Here I am. Did you call me?"



Then Eli realized it was the LORD who was calling the boy. 9So he said to Samuel, “Go and lie down again, and if someone calls again, say, ‘Speak, LORD, your servant is listening.’” So Samuel went back to bed.

And the LORD came and called as before, “Samuel! Samuel!”

And Samuel replied, “Speak, your servant is listening.”

Then the LORD said to Samuel, “I am about to do a shocking thing in Israel. I am going to carry out all my threats against Eli and his family, from beginning to end. I have warned him that judgment is coming upon his family forever, because his sons are blaspheming God and he hasn’t disciplined them. So I have vowed that the sins of Eli and his sons will never be forgiven by sacrifices or offerings.”

Samuel stayed in bed until morning, then got up and opened the doors of the Tabernacle as usual. He was afraid to tell Eli what the LORD had said to him. But Eli called out to him, "Samuel, my son." "Here I am," Samuel replied.

"What did the LORD say to you? Tell me everything. And may God strike you and even kill you if you hide anything from me!" So Samuel told Eli everything; he didn't hold anything back. "It is the LORD's will," Eli replied. "Let him do what he thinks best."

As Samuel grew up, the LORD was with him, and everything Samuel said proved to be reliable. And all Israel, from Dan in the north to Beersheba in the south, knew that Samuel was confirmed as a prophet of the LORD. The LORD continued to appear at Shiloh and gave messages to Samuel there at the Tabernacle.



Public Lordship  
means carrying the  
scent of Christ into  
your public spaces:







Make a way for  
Jesus to enter your  
public spaces.



