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PSALM 131

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Psalm 131 (NLT)

¹Lord, my heart is not proud;
my eyes are not haughty.

I don't concern myself with matters too great
or awesome for me.

²But I have stilled and quieted myself,
just as a small child is quiet with its mother.
Yes, like a small child is my soul within me.

³O Israel, put your hope in the Lord—
now and always!

Wean your soul from ambitious cravings!

Why?

- ❖ When ambition rules, it keeps us from simply enjoying God-given _____.

Ecclesiastes 5:18 (NASB), “Here is what I have seen to be good and fitting: to eat, to drink and enjoy oneself in all one’s labor in which he toils under the sun during the few years of his life which God has given him; for this is his reward.”

- ❖ When ambition rules, it can keep us from living
a _____.
- ❖ When ambition rules, it compels us to jealously
c _____ ourselves with others.
- ❖ When ambition rules, it leads us to justify corner-cutting and ethical
c _____.

Proverbs 22:1 (The Message) “A sterling reputation is better than striking it rich; a gracious spirit is better than money I the bank.”

How?

- ❖ Begin a personal _____ with God.
- ❖ Find ways to _____ what you’re presently doing and what you presently have.
- ❖ Seek b _____. Pursue excellence in all areas of life.
- ❖ Make your _____ clear.

“Make sure that when your time comes to die,
all you have to do is die.”
— Jim Elliot