

**Bible Verses:**

Mark 12:18-27, Deuteronomy 6,

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King, Warrior, Magician, Lover (Authors-Robert Moore & Douglas Gillette)

**Podcast o6: Wholehearted:
The Heart**

What does it mean to be a king in God's Kingdom?

The truth is, God has entrusted all of us with a portion of His kingdom—which makes us kings. With our families, friends, jobs, and our entire sphere of influence, God has looked at us and said, *"I believe in you, take care of this part of my kingdom"*. It all belongs to God, but it is ours to tend to and take care of. This is a big responsibility.

Where do we even begin to start?

We start with Mark 12:30 – *Heart. Soul. Mind. Strength*. According to Jesus, the key to taking care of our kingdom is to love God with all four parts of our being. Our kingship is the part of us that makes decisions and has a vision for our kingdom. Kingship rooted in pride and selfishness (left in isolation apart from soul, mind, and strength) will breed tyrants who damage everyone around them with the fallout of their bad decisions. Kings need wise counsel so they don't end up overcommitted and drowning with no way out and lost in hopelessness.

It's all about keeping things in balance – *Heart, Soul, Mind, and Strength* working together in harmony is what makes us a good king. As kings we need to draw counsel from the *"lover"*, *"magi"*, and *"warrior"* part of us as we move through life. Having these areas of our heart being out in front of us will enable us to be intentional in every circumstance – it will give us direction and power to be good kings.

—Luke Burgett

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- Are you interested in this new podcast series, *"Wholehearted"*?
 - Where have you struggled the most when it comes to your heart and loving God? How have you loved God the most with your heart?
 - How have you lead the parts of your kingdom well? What are some ways that you can improve in the *"king"* quadrant?
 - What can you do this week to focus on your heart, and how you can line it up with what Jesus wants for your life?