

The **Comparison** Trap



Comparison **Ruins Relationships**

⁷ “Saul has slain his thousands,
and David his tens of thousands.”

⁸ Saul was very angry; this refrain galled him. “They have credited **David** with tens of thousands,” he thought, “**but me** with only thousands. What more can he get but the kingdom?” ⁹ And from that time on Saul kept a jealous eye on David. (1 Samuel 18:7–9)

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Comparison **Causes** **Compromise**

“We want a king over us. **Then we will be like all the other nations** with a king to lead us and to go out before us and fight our battles” (1 Sam. 8:19-20)

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Comparison **Arouses** **Arrogance**

The Pharisee, standing by himself, prayed thus: 'God, I thank you that **I am not like other men**, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. (Luke 18:11)

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Be Careful of Esteeming **Externals**

But the Lord said to Samuel, “Do not consider his appearance or his height, for I have rejected him.

The Lord does not look at the things people look at. **People look at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart.”**

(1 Samuel 16:7)



We are
Wonderfully
made and
Meaningful
to God

