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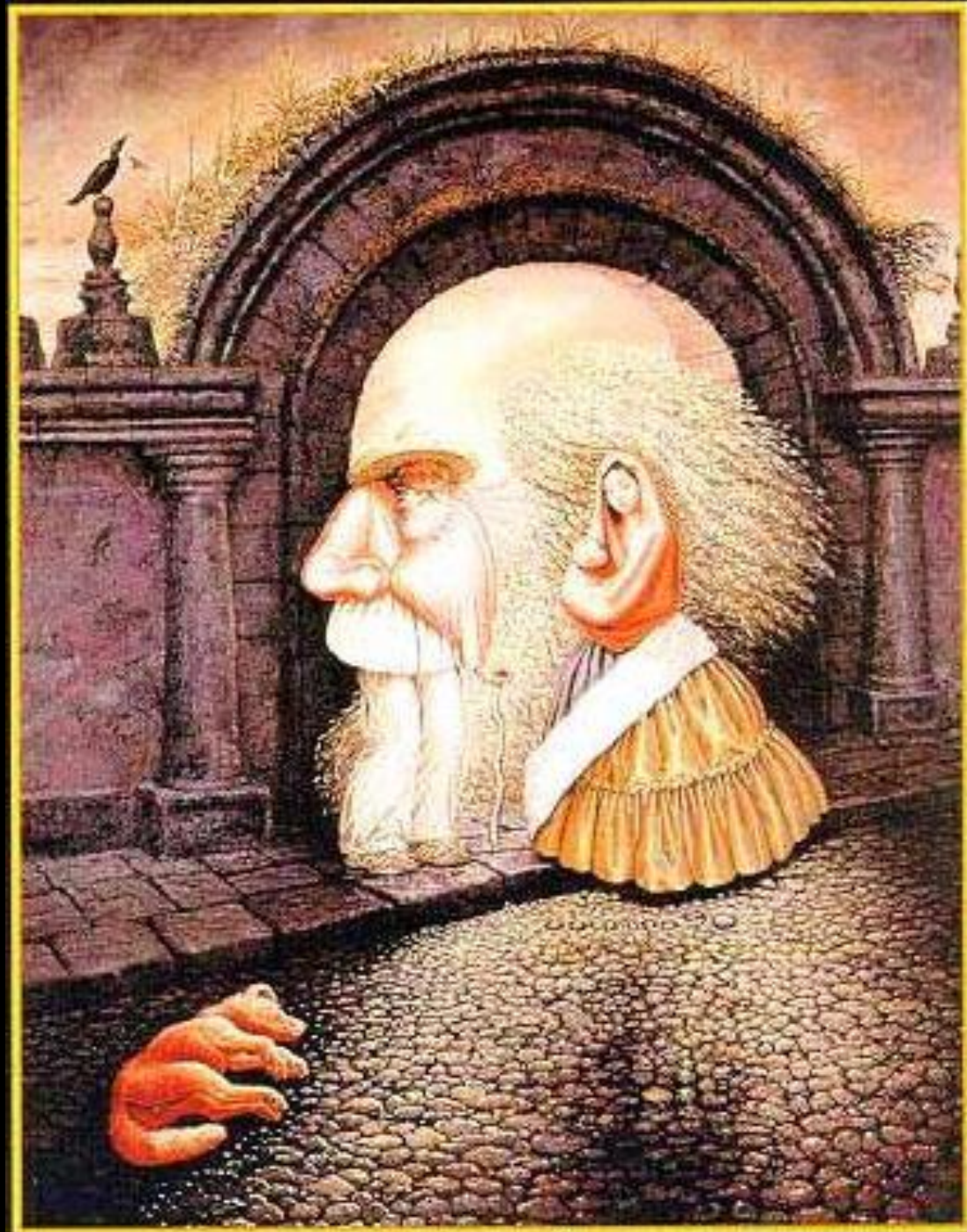


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**Is faith in God just a matter of
perspective?**



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- **What did God see in David that made him worthy?**
- **Was David purer of heart than Saul?**

- **Saul was king because Israel had rejected God.**

But when they said, "Give us a king to lead us,"

"Listen to all that the people are saying to you; it is not you they have rejected, but they have rejected me as their king.

(1 Samuel 8:6-9)



- **Saul was king because Israel had rejected God.**
- **Saul's reign was a time of judgement.**

Now listen to them; but warn them solemnly and let them know what the king who will reign over them will claim as his rights."

(1 Samuel 8:6-9)



- **Finally, the time of judgement was over!**

The LORD said to Samuel, "How long will you mourn for Saul, since I have rejected him as king over Israel? Fill your horn with oil and be on your way; I am sending you to Jesse of Bethlehem. I have chosen one of his sons to be king."

(1 Samuel 16:1)



- **What made David a better choice?**

¹² So he sent for him and had him brought in. He was glowing with health and had a fine appearance and handsome features. Then the LORD said, "Rise and anoint him; this is the one." ¹³ So Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the presence of his brothers, and from that day on the Spirit of the LORD came powerfully upon David.

(1 Samuel 16:12-13)



- **God allowed Saul to be tormented- why?**

14 Now the Spirit of the LORD had departed from Saul, and an evil spirit from the LORD tormented him.

(1 Samuel 16:14)



- **God allowed Saul to be tormented- why?**
- **God's plan was to prepare David.**

¹⁸ One of the servants answered, "I have seen a son of Jesse of Bethlehem who knows how to play the lyre. He is a brave man and a warrior. He speaks well and is a fine-looking man. And the LORD is with him."

(1 Samuel 16:18)



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¹⁹ But the people refused to listen to Samuel. "No!" they said. "We want a king over us. ²⁰ 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 Samuel 8:19-20)



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²⁵ Now the Israelites had been saying, "Do you see how this man keeps coming out? He comes out to defy Israel. The king will give great wealth to the man who kills him. He will also give him his daughter in marriage and will exempt his family from taxes in Israel."

(1 Samuel 17:25)



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³⁷ The LORD who rescued me from the paw of the lion and the paw of the bear will rescue me from the hand of this Philistine."

(1 Samuel 17:37)



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3. God has provided the King we're looking for! (Jesus)



Have you got the right perspective?

**It's not that you're a bad person who needs to
be made good...**

It's a question of which king rules your life.

