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⁷ “Now, O Lord my God, you have made me king instead of my father, David, but I am like a little child who doesn't know his way around. ⁸ And here I am in the midst of your own chosen people, a nation so great and numerous they cannot be

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counted! ⁹ Give me an understanding heart so that I can govern your people well and know the difference between right and wrong. For who by himself is able to govern this great people of yours?”

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¹⁰ The Lord was pleased that Solomon had asked for wisdom. ¹¹ So God replied, “Because you have asked for wisdom in governing my people with justice and have not asked for a long life or wealth or the death of your enemies— ¹² I will give you what you asked for! I will give you a wise



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and understanding heart such as no one else has had or ever will have! ¹³ And I will also give you what you did not ask for—riches and fame! No other king in all the world will be compared to you for the rest of your life! ¹⁴ And if you follow me and obey my decrees and my commands as your father, David, did, I will give you a long life.”

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The conditional
promises of God.

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Matthew
7:7-8
NLT

⁷ “Keep on asking, and you will receive what you ask for. Keep on seeking, and you will find. Keep on knocking, and the door will be opened to you. ⁸ For everyone who asks, receives. Everyone who seeks, finds. And to everyone who knocks, the door will be opened.”

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Luke
6:38
NLT

³⁸ Give, and you will receive. Your gift will return to you in full—pressed down, shaken together to make room for more, running over, and poured into your lap. The amount you give will determine the amount you get back.

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What causes the Creator of the universe to ask a question?



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Hebrews

9:22

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²² In fact, according to the law of Moses, nearly everything was purified with blood. For without the shedding of blood, there is no forgiveness.



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John
1:29
NLT

²⁹ The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, “Look! The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!”

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We have the choice between the common and the uncommon.

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Galatians
6:7
NIV

⁷ Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows.

A woman with long blonde hair, wearing a red and black plaid shirt, is sitting on a large, dark grey rock. She is looking out over a lush green forest valley. The scene is captured from a low angle, emphasizing the height of the rock and the vastness of the landscape. The lighting is soft, suggesting a misty or overcast day.

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When we do the uncommon for God,
He does the uncommon for us.