

THE LIVING



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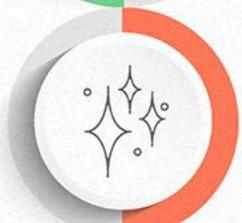
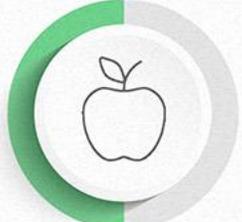
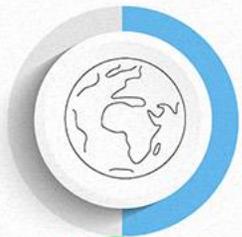
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Psalm 101



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“We want a whole race perpetually in pursuit of the rainbow’s end, never honest, nor kind, nor happy now, but always using as mere fuel wherewith to heap the altar of the future every real gift which is offered them in the present.”

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Presently spending time on my personal life (Psalm 101:1–4)

- The song of my personal life (v.1)
“I will sing of your faithful love and justice...”
- The integrity of personal life (vv.2–4)
“I will live with a heart of integrity in my house.”

Overriding concern: Integrity in my character



Presently spending time on my public life (Psalm 101:5–8)

- Being wary of the secret slanderer, the self-important, and the devious
- Instead: “My eyes favor the faithful of the land so that they may sit down with me. The one who follows the way of integrity may serve me” (v.6).

Overriding concern: Virtue in the community



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