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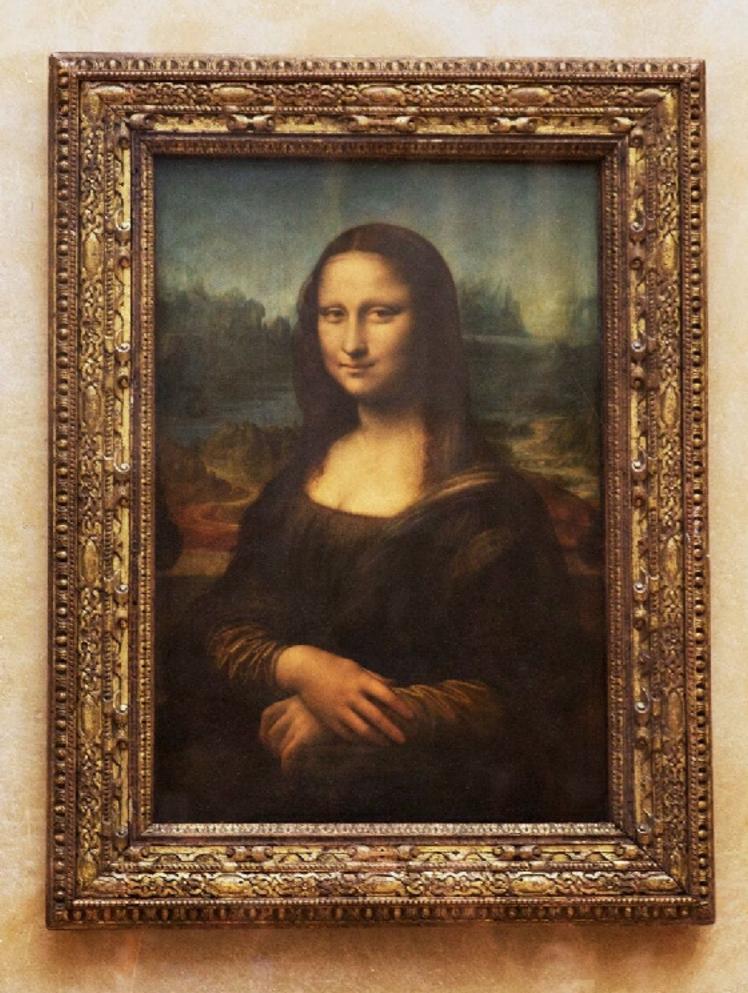
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Proverbs 22:6



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"the best known, the most visited, the most written about, the most sung about, the most parodied work of art in the world"

- The Independent





Stewardship Caring for something that doesn't belong to you.





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Hannah Grieves (1 Sam. 1:1-8)

Hannah Prays (1 Sam. 1:9-20)

"...I have been pouring out my soul before the Lord" ... and her face was no longer sad."



Hannah Entrusts (1 Sam. 1:21-28)

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"And the boy was ministering to the Lord in the presence of Eli the priest"



"And Hannah prayed and said, 'My heart exults in the Lord; my horn is exalted in the Lord ... the feeble bind on strength ... for not by might shall a man prevail."



2 Eli's Story

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Eli's Sons vs. Hannah's Son

"Now the sons of Eli were worthless men. They did not know the Lord."



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Eli's Influence (1 Sam. 2:22-25)

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Eli's Failure (1 Sam. 2:29)

"Why then do you scorn my sacrifices...and honor your sons above me ...?"



3 YOUR Story

What's the Center of Your Universe?

- Eli put his kids before God.
- He was indulgent with them so his kids were indulgent.
- Hannah was sacrificial WITH her kid (not just FOR her kid), and then Samuel, her son, was sacrificial.

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God has given you gifts too. Are you lifting up the gifts or the giver?