



# TOP TIPS FOR ENTREPRENEURSHIP SUCCESS

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# PREPARATION



**“SUCCESS IS WHERE PREPARATION AND OPPORTUNITY MEET”**

**BOBBY UNSER - AUTOMOBILE RACER, 3-TIME INDY 500 WINNER**

# CASE STUDY: KING JEHOSEPHATH

- 1) Worked to obliterate idol worship in his kingdom (1 Chronicles 17:3-4)
- 2) Established systematic instruction of the Holy Scriptures in his realm (II Chronicles 17:7-10)  
"To this wise provision for the spiritual needs of his subjects, Jehoshaphat owed much of his prosperity as a ruler." PP 191
- 3) Set up judges throughout his kingdom, with a court of appeals (II Chronicles 19:5-11)
- 4) Made Judah an economic powerhouse (II Chronicles 17:5, 18:1)
- 5) Built fortresses and storage cities, and vigorously trained his armies for war (II Chronicles 17:12-19)

# CASE STUDY: KING JEHO SHAPHAT

"Jehoshaphat was a man of courage and valor. For years he had been strengthening his armies and his fortified cities. He was well prepared to meet almost any foe; yet in this crisis he put not his trust in the arm of flesh. **Not by disciplined armies and fenced cities, but by a living faith in the God of Israel, could he hope to gain the victory** of these heathen who boasted of their power to humble Judah in the eyes of the nations." (PK 198)

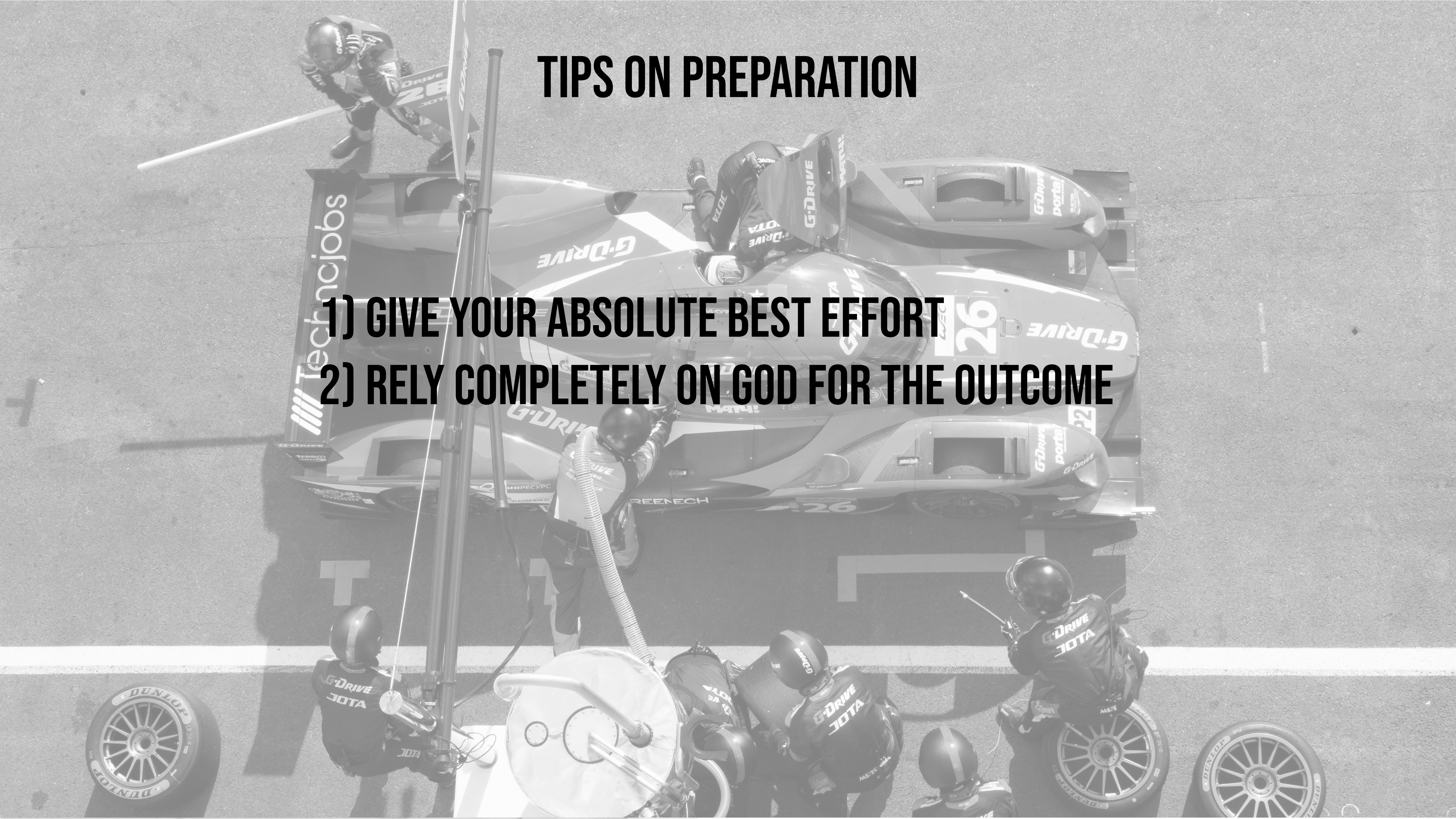
"Then the realm of Jehoshaphat was quiet, for his God gave him rest all around." (II Chronicles 20:30)

# CASE STUDY: JOSHUA

“Joshua had received the promise that God would surely overthrow these enemies of Israel, yet **he put forth as earnest effort as though success depended upon the armies of Israel alone.** He did all that human energy could do, and then he cried in faith for divine aid. **The secret of success is the union of divine power with human effort.** Those who achieve the greatest results are those who rely most implicitly upon the Almighty Arm.” (PP 509)

# TIPS ON PREPARATION

- 1) GIVE YOUR ABSOLUTE BEST EFFORT
- 2) RELY COMPLETELY ON GOD FOR THE OUTCOME





A young girl with blonde hair and glasses is pushing a wheelbarrow. Inside the wheelbarrow, another young girl is lying down, smiling. The scene is set in a field of fallen autumn leaves. The text "KINDNESS IS KING" is overlaid in the center of the image.

**KINDNESS IS KING**

**A KIND, COURTEOUS CHRISTIAN IS THE MOST POWERFUL ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF  
THE GOSPEL THAT CAN BE PRODUCED"**

**ELLEN WHITE , SELECTED MESSAGES VOL. 3, P. 23**

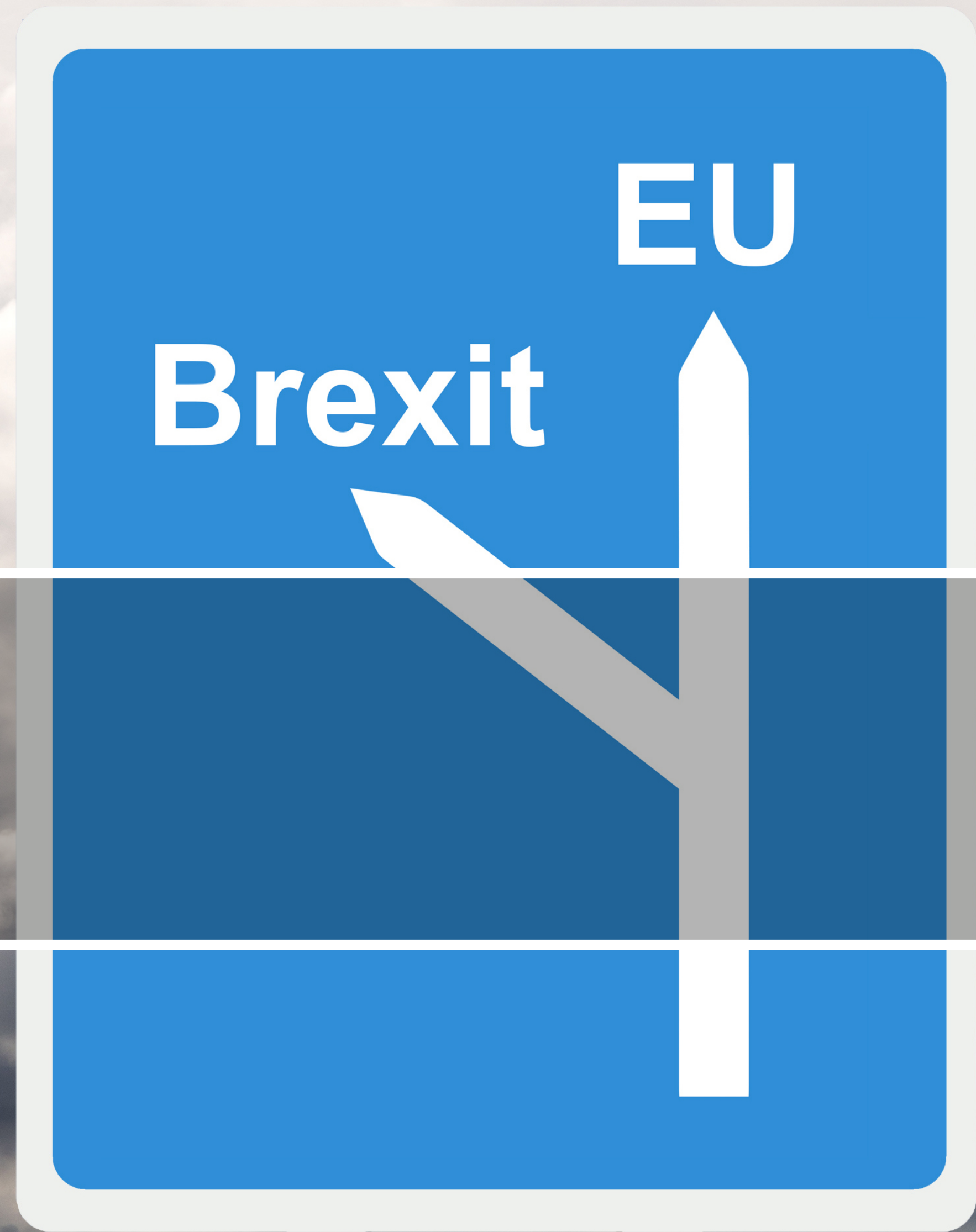


# **CASE STUDY: ABIGAIL AND DAVID**

## **1 SAMUEL 25**

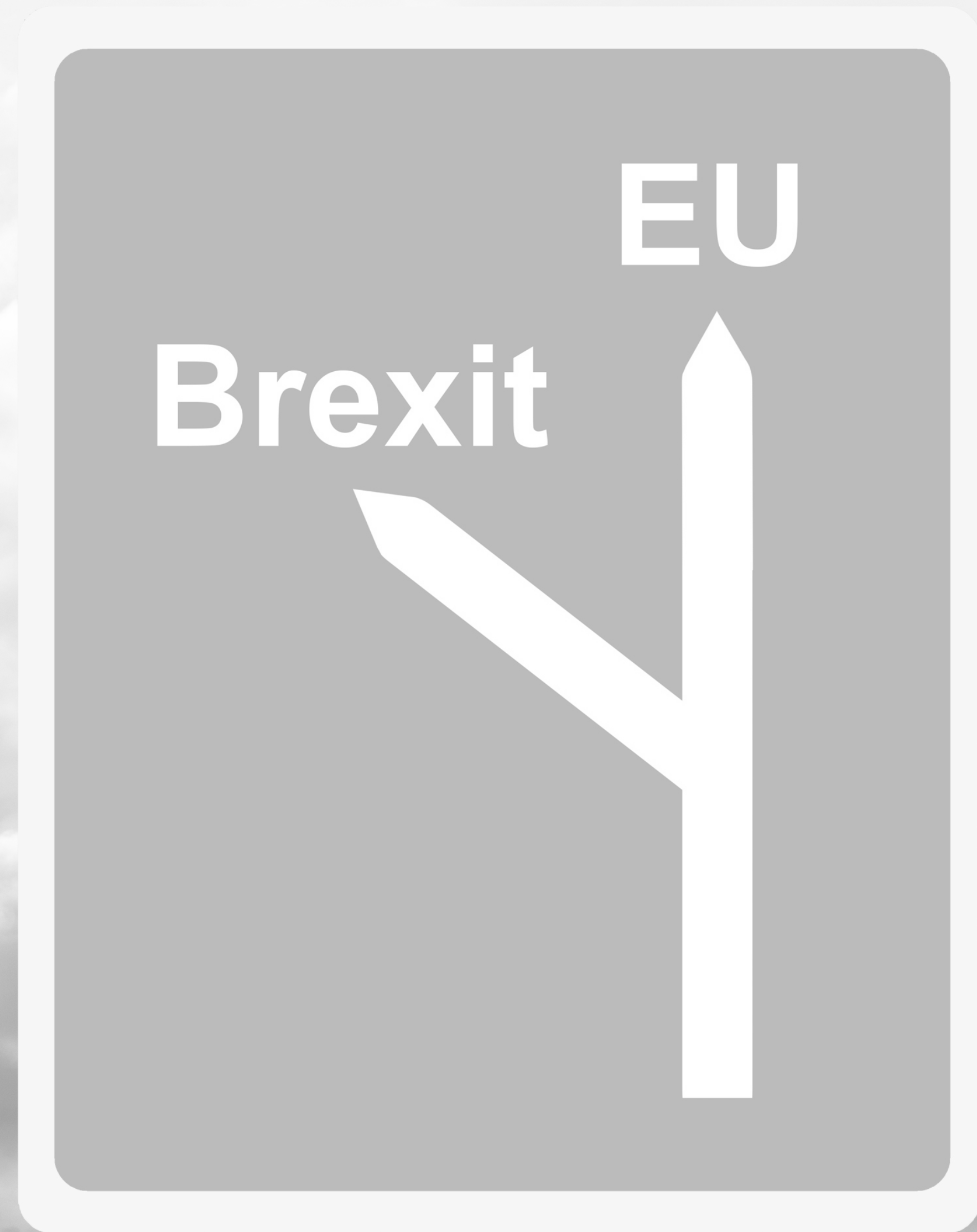


**GOOD DECISIONS**



**IT IS IN YOUR MOMENTS OF DECISION  
THAT YOUR DESTINY IS SHAPED**

**TONY ROBBINS, AUTHOR, ENTREPRENEUR AND  
PHILANTHROPIST**



# CASE STUDY: “SONS OF ISSACHAR”

EU

Brexit

Tribe	Warriors
Judah	6,800
Simeon	7,800
Levi	4,600
Benjamin	3,600
Ephriam	20,800
1/2 Tribe of Manassah	18,000
<b>Sons of Issachar</b>	<b>200</b>
Zebulun	50,000
Naphtali	38,000
Dan	28,600
Asher	40,000
Ruben / Gad / 1/2 Tribe of Manassah	120,000

“And of the children of Issachar, which were men that **had understanding of the times, to know what Israel ought to do**; the heads of them were two hundred; and all their brethren were at their commandment.”  
(I Chronicles 12:32)

“These men of Issachar were men who had wisdom to **understand the meaning of current events** and who were able to **provide intelligent counsel**”  
SDA Bible Commentary vol 3, p. 163

## CASE STUDY: “SONS OF ISSACHAR”

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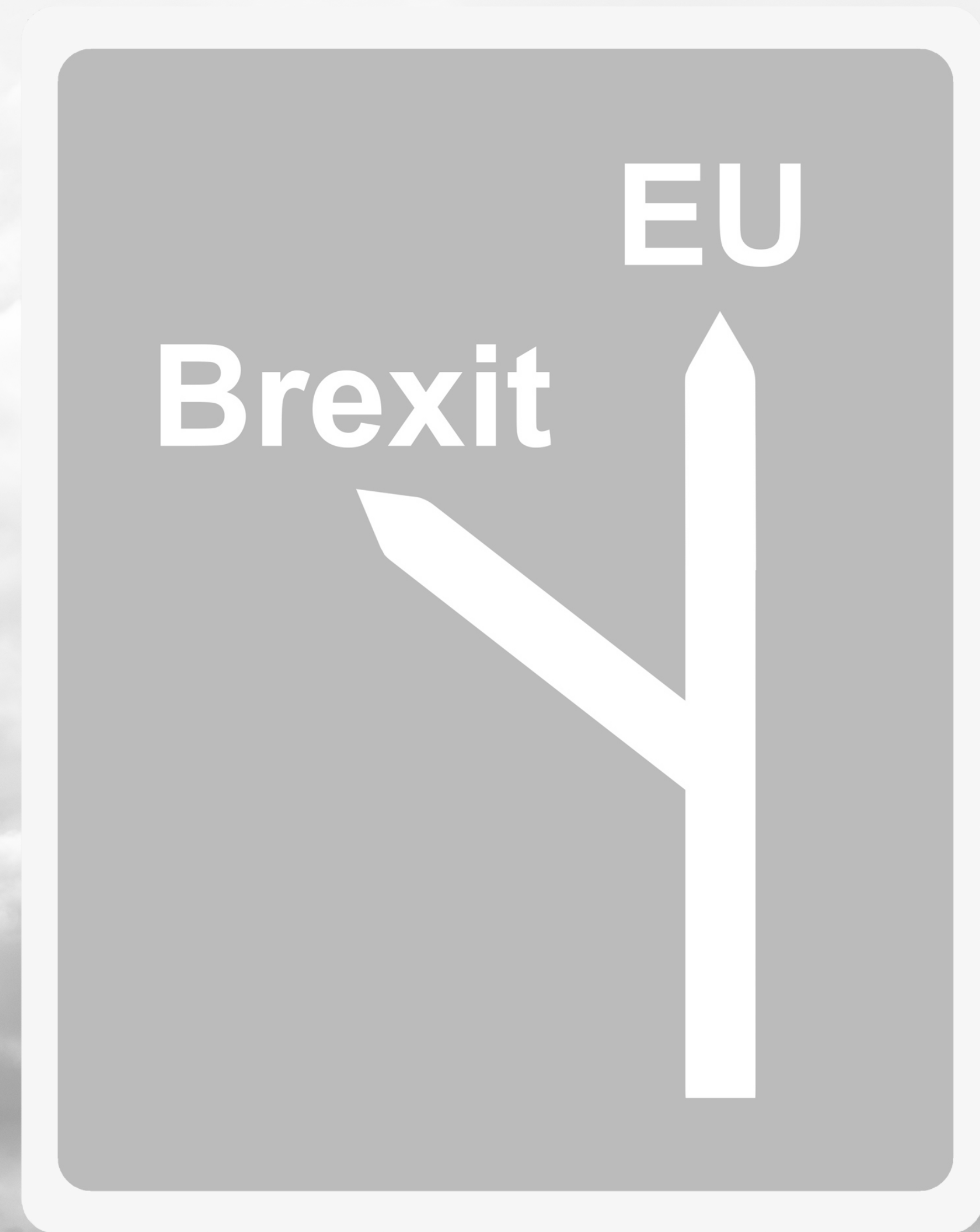
Brexit

“But the queen Vashti refused to come at the king’s commandment by his chamberlains: therefore was the king very wroth, and his anger burned in him. Then the king said to the wise men, **which knew the times**, . . . ‘What shall we do unto the queen Vashti according to law, because she hath not performed the commandment of the king Ahasuerus?’”

“Persons of learning and experience who were **acquainted with precedents** and **knew what would be the proper thing to do on any particular occasion.**” (SDA Bible Commentary vol 3, p 466)

# TIPS ON GOOD DECISIONS

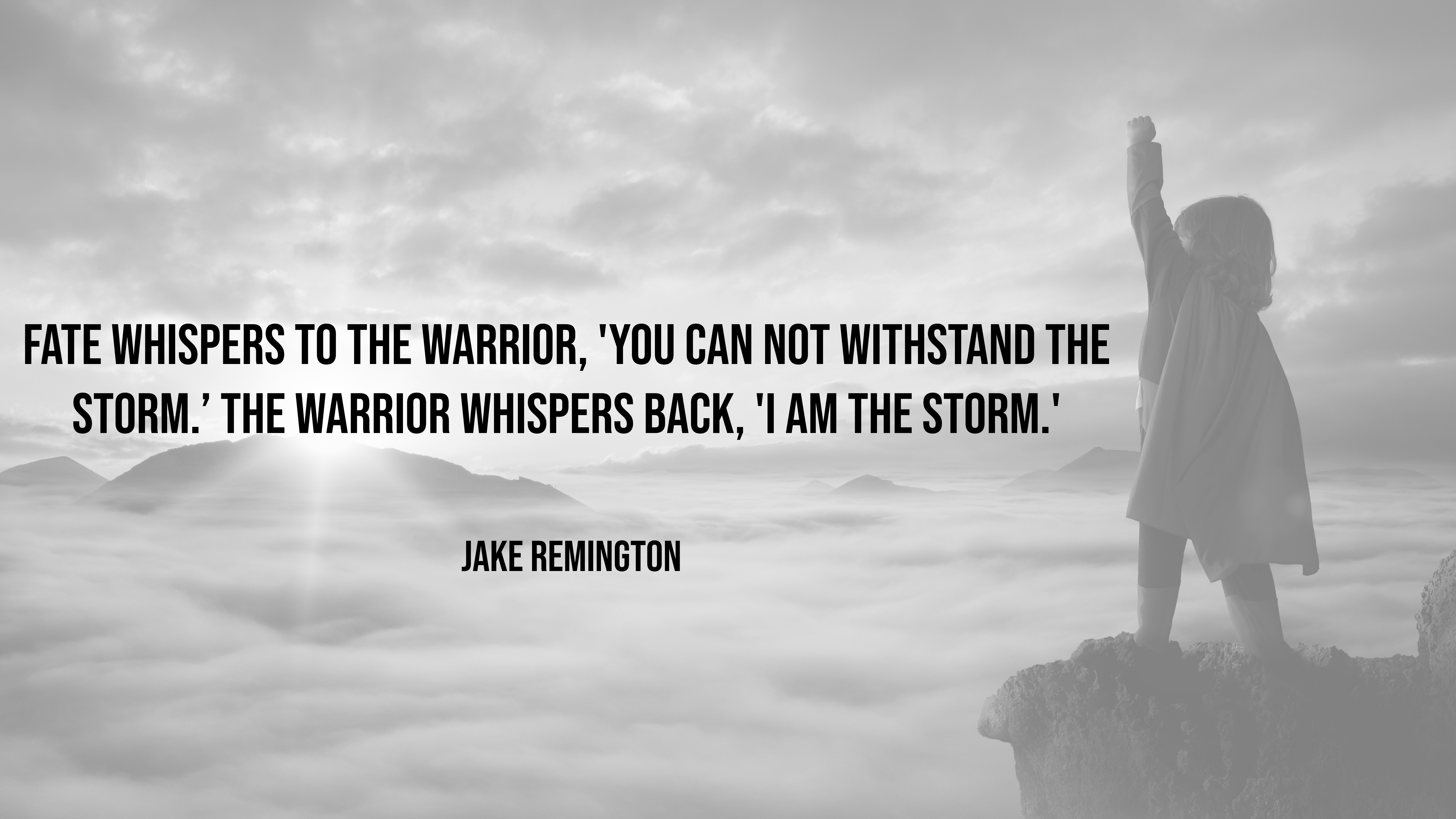
- 1) EDUCATE YOURSELF ON CURRENT EVENTS
- 2) UTILIZE SCRIPTURE AS YOUR PRECEDENT
- 3) COMBINE TO PROPERLY FRAME A DECISION AND PROVIDE INTELLIGENT COUNSEL





A child in a Superman costume stands on the edge of a dark, rocky cliff. The child's right arm is raised, fist clenched, pointing towards the sky. The background is a vast, hazy landscape of rolling hills and valleys, partially obscured by a thick layer of white clouds. The sky is filled with soft, golden light from a setting or rising sun, with scattered clouds catching the light. The overall mood is one of hope and anticipation.

**DISRUPTION IS COMING**



**FATE WHISPERS TO THE WARRIOR, 'YOU CAN NOT WITHSTAND THE STORM.' THE WARRIOR WHISPERS BACK, 'I AM THE STORM.'**

**JAKE REMINGTON**

# **CASE STUDY: DAVID AND GOLIATH**

**1 SAMUEL 17**

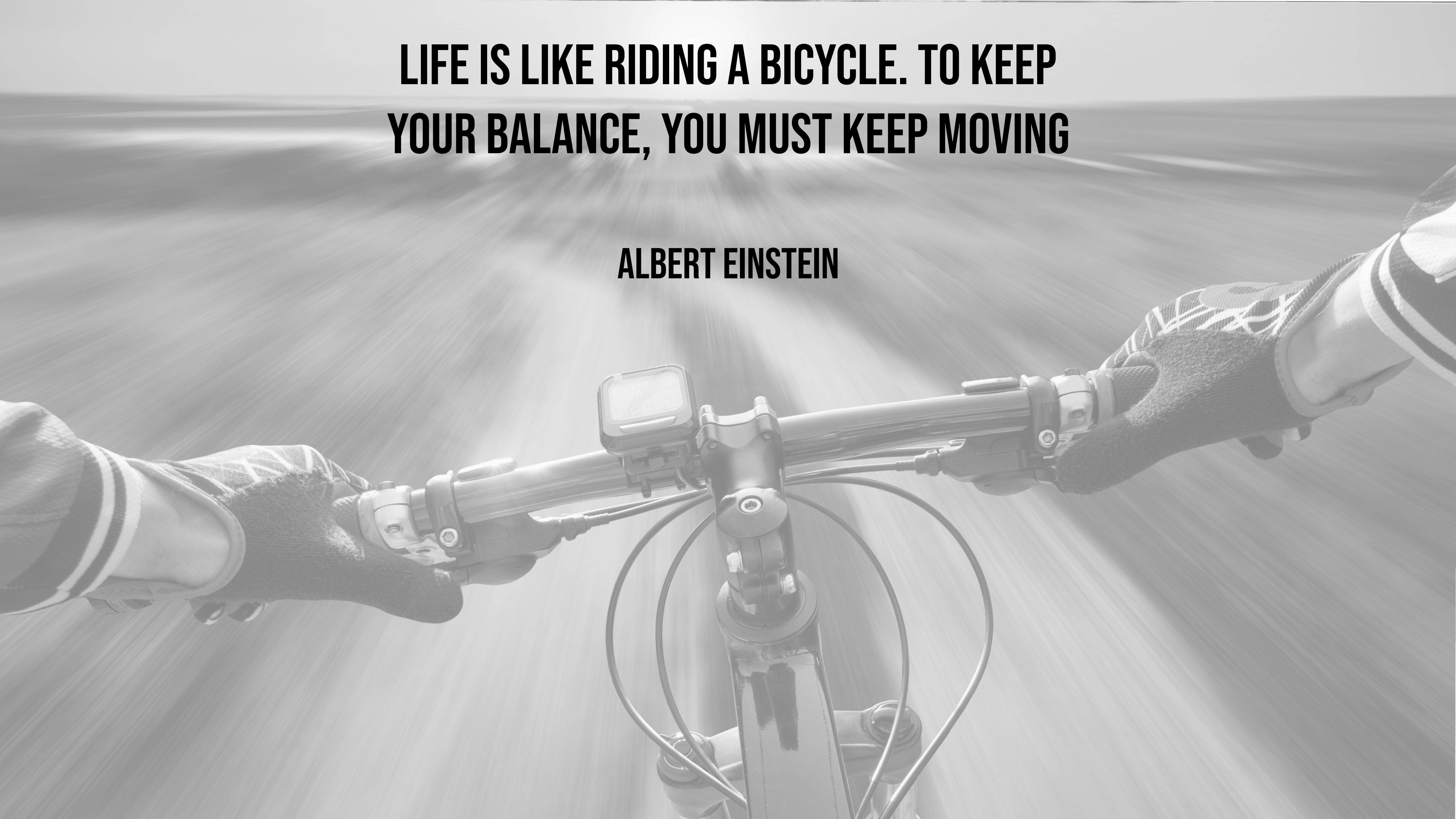


A first-person perspective of a cyclist riding a road bike. The cyclist's hands, wearing black and red cycling gloves, are firmly gripping the handlebars. The background is a blurred landscape of green fields and a road, with a bright sun low on the horizon, creating a golden glow and lens flare. The overall scene conveys a sense of speed and focus.

**BALANCE THE LOAD**

**LIFE IS LIKE RIDING A BICYCLE. TO KEEP  
YOUR BALANCE, YOU MUST KEEP MOVING**

**ALBERT EINSTEIN**



# NEHEMIAH

## Local Government

Two mayors of Jerusalem (3:9, 3:12)

Mayor of Beth Hacerem (3:14)

Two Mayors of Mizpah (3:15, 19)

Mayor of Beth Zur (3:16)

Two mayors of Keilah (3:17-18)

## Surrounding Cities

Men of Jericho (3:2)

Tekoites (3:5)

Men of Gibeon and Mizpah (3:7)

## Clergy

Eliashib the High Priest - spiritual head of the nation (Nehemiah 3:1)

Levites - (3:17)

Nethinim (3:26)

Priests, men of the plain (3:22)

## Business

Goldsmiths (3:8, 3:32)

Perfumers (3:8)

Merchants (3:32)

## "In front of his house" guys (locals)

Jedaiah (3:10)

Benjamin (3:23)

Hasshub (3:23)

Azariah (3:23)

Zadok (3:29)

Meshullum (3:30)

## Women!

Shallum, and his daughters (3:12)

# NEHEMIAH

“Now it happened when Sanballat, Tobiah, and Geshem the Arab, and the rest of our enemies heard that I had rebuilt the wall, and that there were no breaks left in it (though at that time I had not hung the doors in the gates), that Sanballat and Geshem sent to me, saying, “Come, let us meet together among the villages in the plain of Ono.” But they thought to do me harm.” (Nehemiah 6:1-2)

“I am doing a great work, so that I cannot come down. Why should the work cease while I leave it and go down to you? (Nehemiah 6:3)

Tried this 4 times!

Fifth time - open letter that you're going to rebel and set yourself up as King!  
(Nehemiah 6:5-7)

# TIPS ON BALANCING THE LOAD

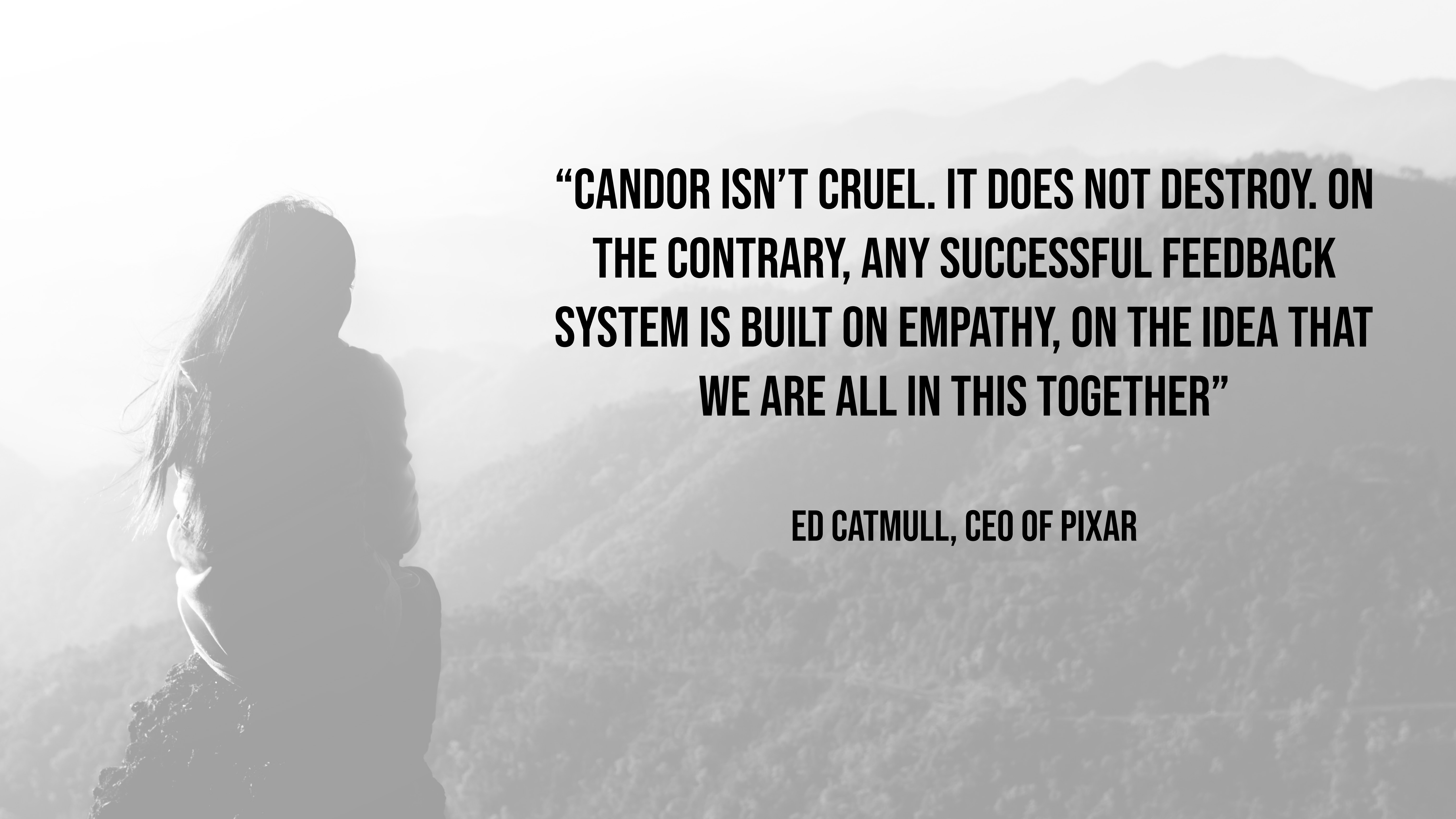
- 1) RECRUIT AND MOTIVATE A BROAD AND MULTI-DISCIPLINARY GROUP TO SUPPORT THE LOAD
- 2) DON'T STOP UNTIL THE WORK IS COMPLETE!







**CANDOR IS QUEEN**

A grayscale photograph of a person with long hair, seen from the side, looking out over a vast, hazy mountain range. The person is in silhouette, and their hair is blowing in the wind. The background consists of rolling hills and mountains under a bright, overcast sky.

**“CANDOR ISN’T CRUEL. IT DOES NOT DESTROY. ON  
THE CONTRARY, ANY SUCCESSFUL FEEDBACK  
SYSTEM IS BUILT ON EMPATHY, ON THE IDEA THAT  
WE ARE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER”**

**ED CATMULL, CEO OF PIXAR**

A silhouette of a person with long hair, possibly a woman, is shown in profile on the left side of the image, looking out over a vast, misty mountain range. The background is a soft, hazy landscape with rolling hills and mountains under a bright, overcast sky. The overall tone is contemplative and serene.

**CASE STUDY: DAVID AND NATHAN**  
**2 SAMUEL 12**

A close-up photograph of a person's hand holding a golden apple. The apple is highly reflective and has a stem with a single leaf. The person is wearing a dark blue suit jacket and a watch with a metal link bracelet. The background is a blurred blue. A white horizontal bar with the text "CHOOSING RIGHT WORDS" is overlaid across the middle of the image.

**CHOOSING RIGHT WORDS**

**“A WORD FITLY SPOKEN IS  
LIKE APPLES OF GOLD IN  
SETTINGS OF SILVER”**

**KING SOLOMON**



# CASE STUDY: JESUS IN DIALOGUE

Nicodemus: "Rabbi, we know that You are a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that You do unless God is with him." (John 3:1)

"His words were designed to express and to invite confidence; but they really expressed unbelief." (DA 168)

"Instead of recognizing this salutation, . . . He came directly to the point . . . (DA 168)

Jesus: "Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God." (John 3:2)

# CASE STUDY: JESUS IN DIALOGUE

Disciples: "Therefore, when they had come together, they asked Him, saying, "Lord, will You at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?" (Acts 1:6)

Jesus doesn't confirm or deny. He absorbs and redirects.

Jesus: "It is not for you to know times or seasons which the Father has put in His own authority. But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." (Acts 1:7-8)

# TIPS ON CHOOSING RIGHT WORDS

A grayscale photograph of a hand holding a silver apple. The hand is positioned in the lower half of the frame, with fingers gently cupping the apple. The apple is highly reflective, showing highlights and shadows. The background is a soft-focus, grayscale image of a person's torso and arm, suggesting a professional or thoughtful setting.

- 1) STUDY HOW TO ANSWER (PROVERBS 15:28)**
- 2) READ THE SITUATION AND THE PEOPLE YOU ARE ENGAGING**
- 3) DETERMINE WHETHER A DIRECT, INDIRECT OR A REDIRECT IS MOST EFFECTIVE**





# QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

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