

THE TRAP OF SELF-EXALTATION

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WHAT IS SELF-EXALTATION?



1. It is the act of raising yourself up in status or importance, often boasting or putting others down.

2. It is taking credit for what only
God can do.

3. It is boasting in your
accomplishments.

4. It is seeking human praise and downplaying God's role in your life.

5. It is when a man is blind to correction, inflated his ego and distance himself from humility.

SELF-EXALTATION
IS CHARACTERIZED
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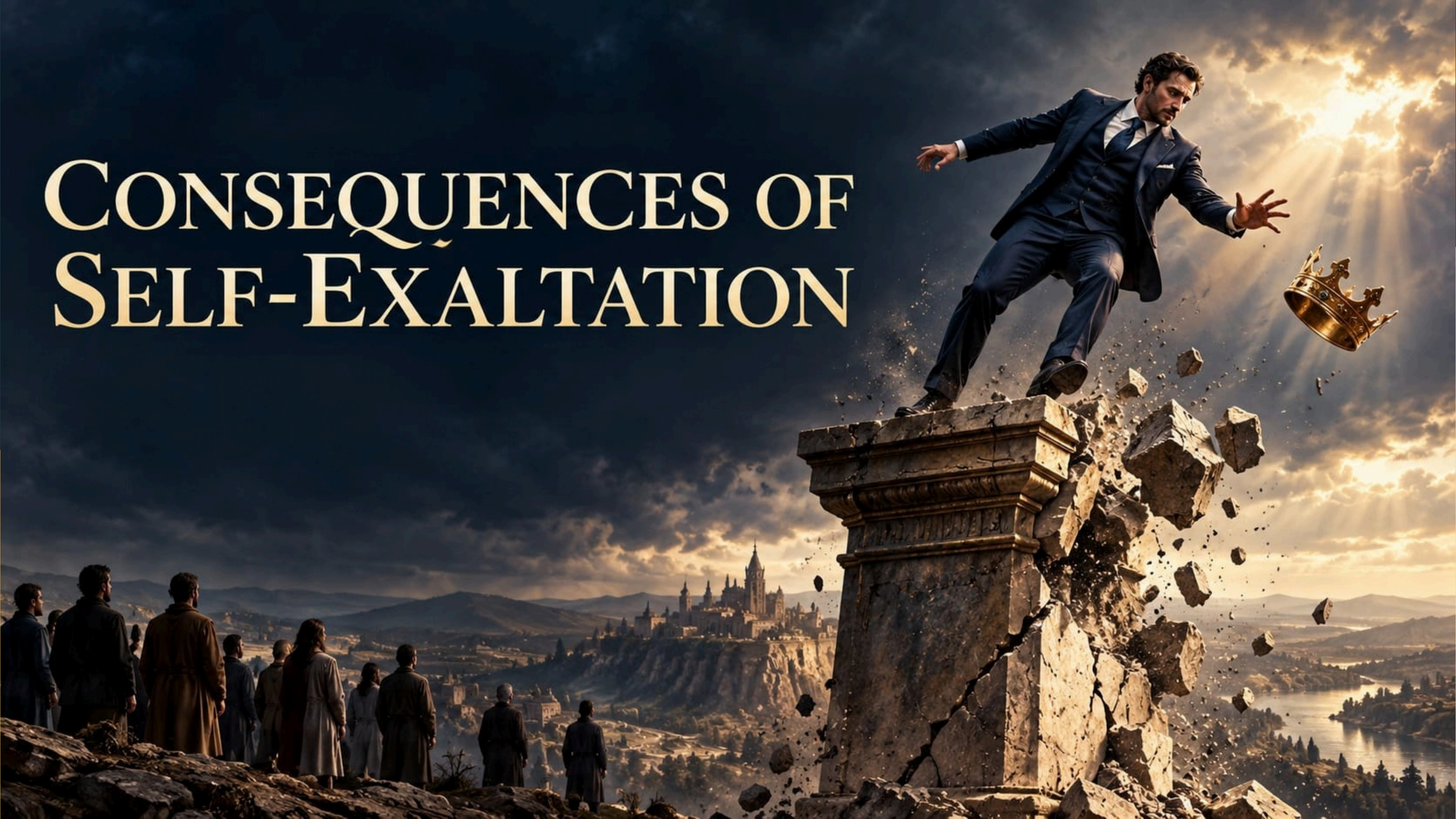


1. Pride and arrogance:
believing you are better,
smarter, or more important.

2. Self-praise: constantly talking about your own accomplishments and seeking personal glory.

3. Comparison: Measuring yourself against others to make yourself look superior.

CONSEQUENCES OF SELF-EXALTATION



1. Separation from God. (James 4:6, Psalm 138:6)

2. Fall and Destruction. (Proverb 29:23)

3. Loss of Grace. (1 Peter 5:5)

4. It blinds us to our limitations.
(Isaiah 14:13-15)

5. It makes us unreachable.
(Proverb 26:12)

6. It fuels comparison and rivalry.
(2 Corinthians 10:12)

7. It brings suggest fall.
(Acts 12:22-23)

HOW TO OVERCOME SELF-EXALTATION

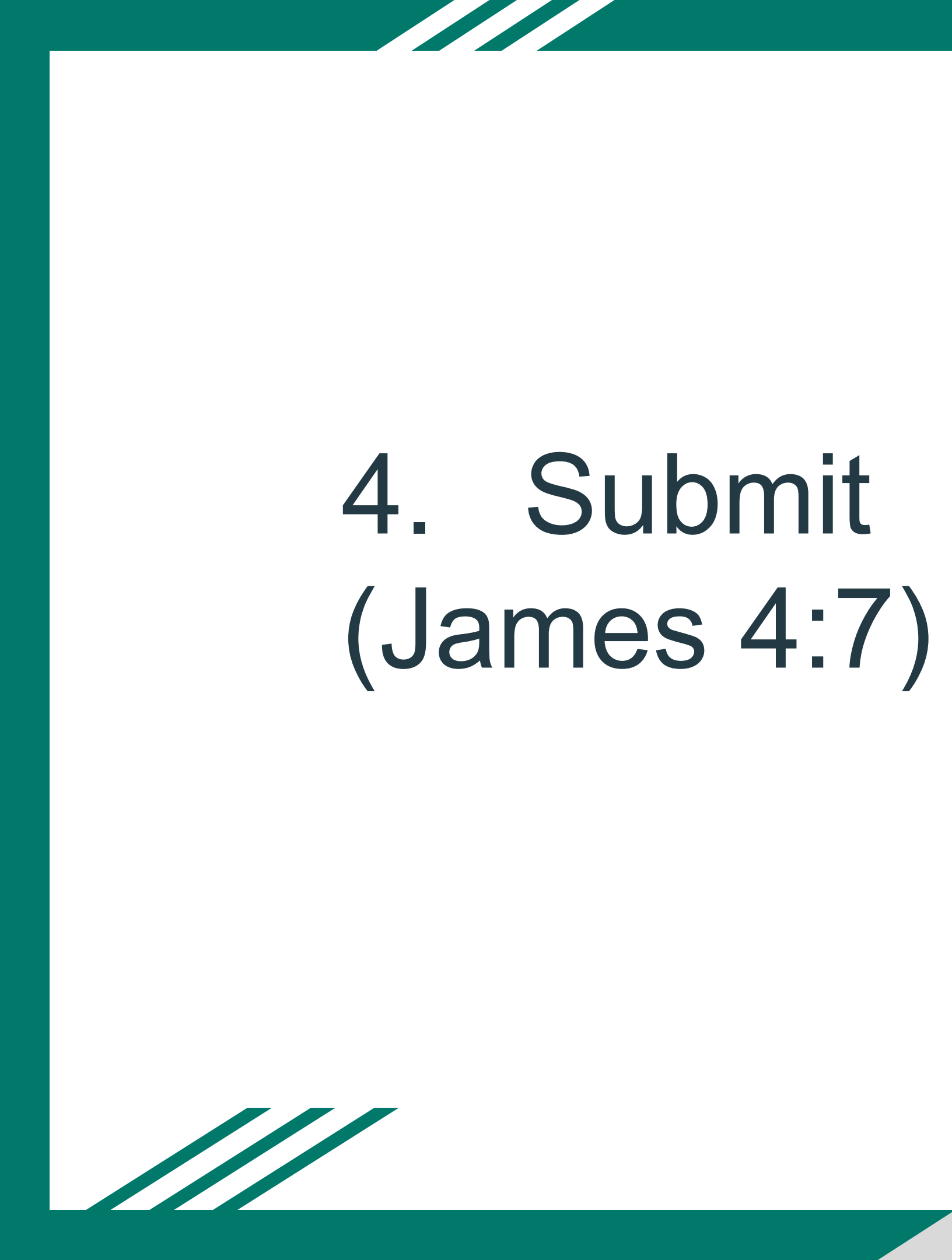




1. Recognize pride in your life.

2. Cultivate humility. (Philippians 2:3)

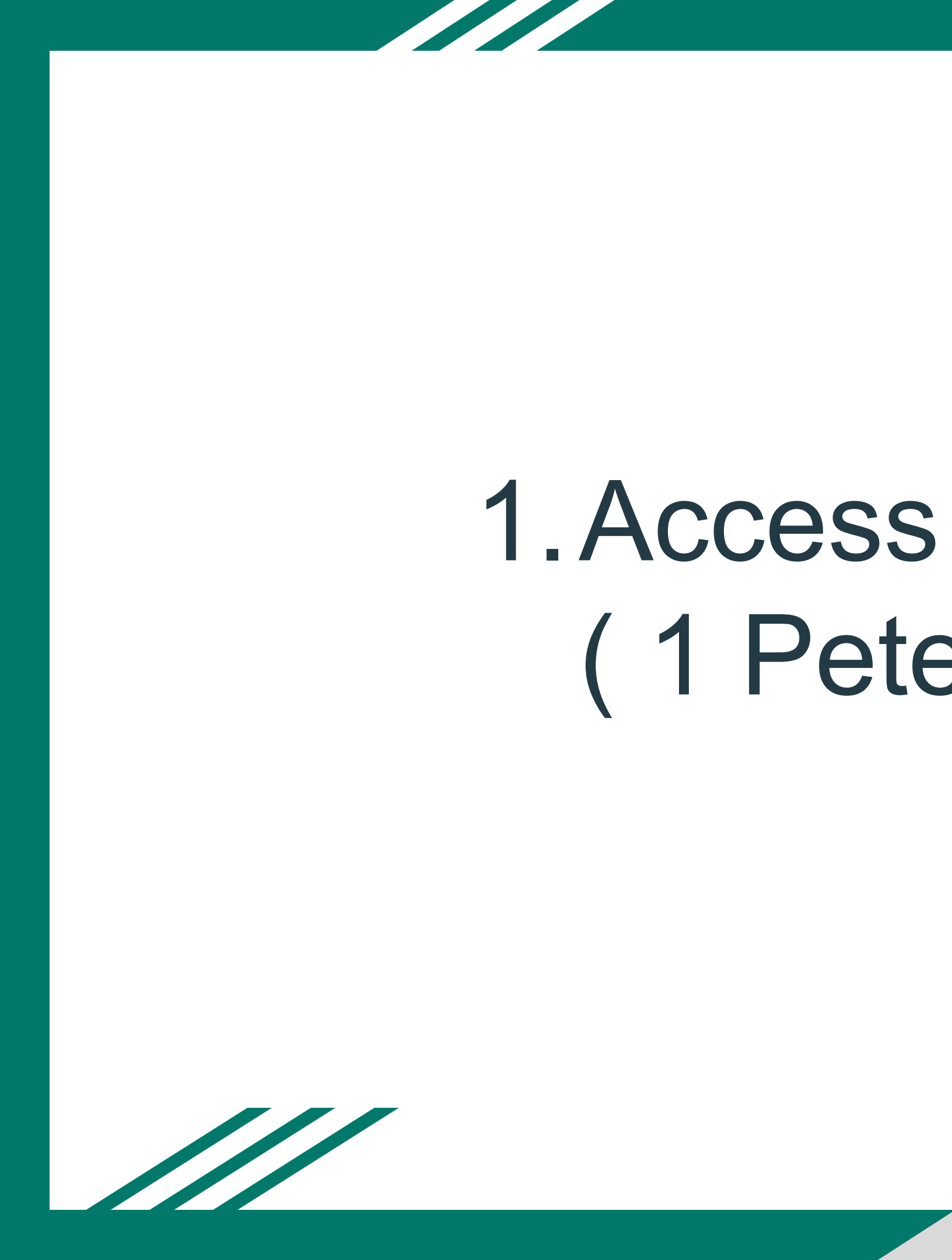
3. Depend on God. (Proverb 3:5-6)



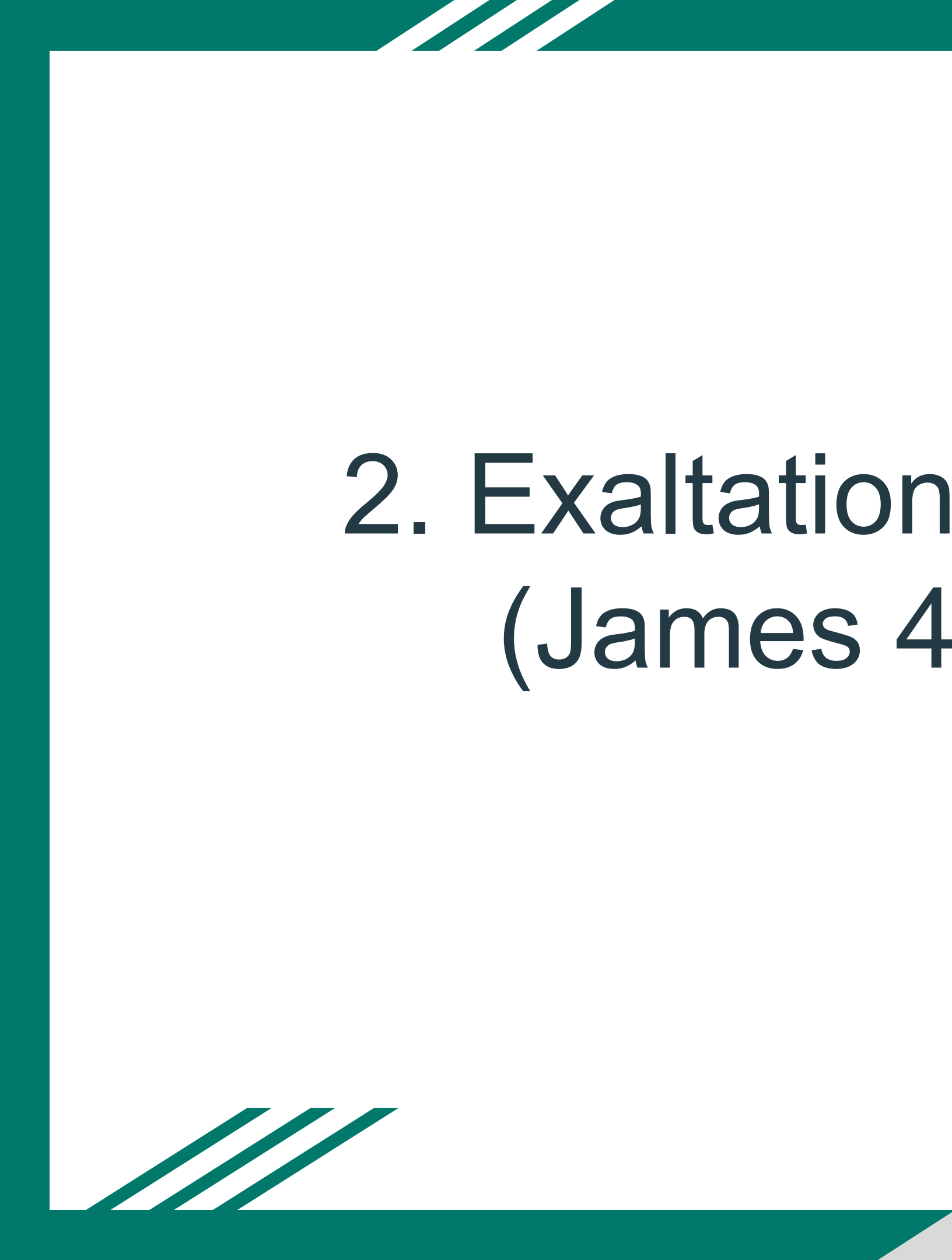
4. Submit to God's authority.
(James 4:7)

THE BLESSINGS OF HUMILITY





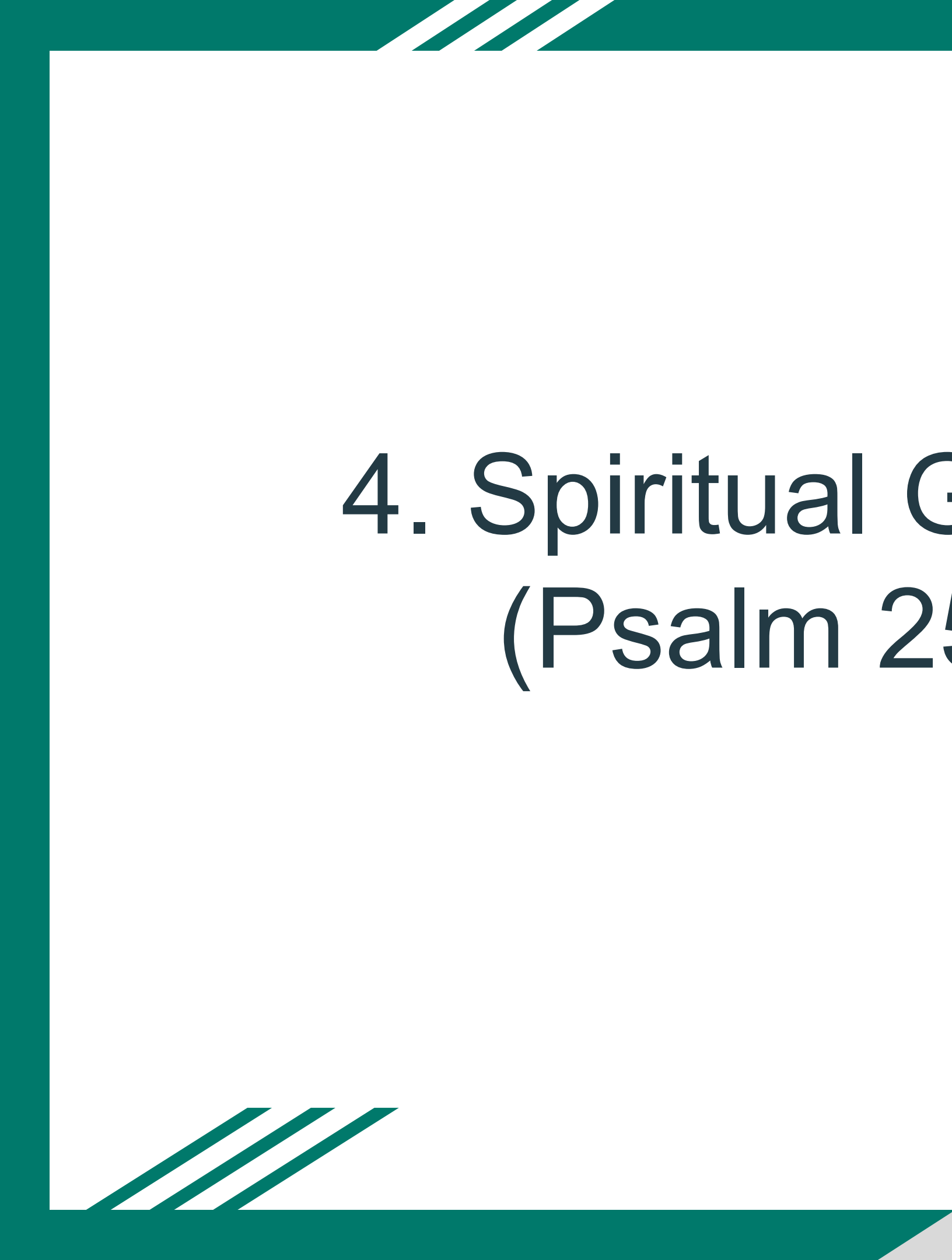
1. Access to God's Grace. (1 Peter 5:5)



2. Exaltation by God. (James 4:10)



3. Peace in Relationships. (Ephesians 4:2-3)



4. Spiritual Growth. (Psalm 25:9)