MESSAGE NOTES

"RESILIENCE & THE STRENGTH OF THE LORD"



2 Cor 4:9 CEV

"In times of trouble, God is with us, and when we are knocked down, we get up again."

SUNDAY - June 2nd: ["BAPTISM SUNDAY"]

Message Title: "PURPOSE"

Series: "RESILIENCE & THE STRENGTH

OF THE LORD" w/Hollywood Movie Tie Ins

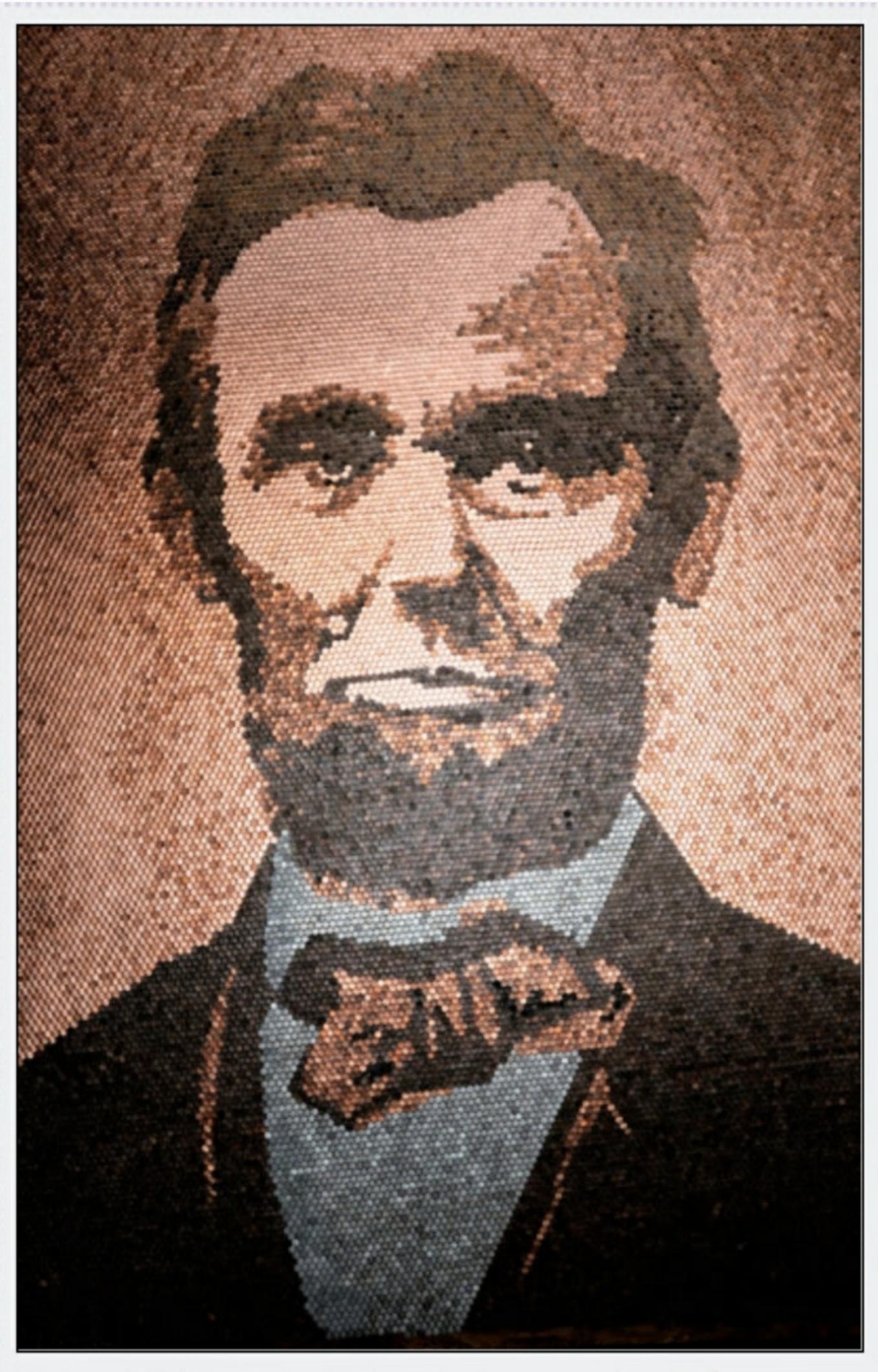
☆☆ Themes: Self-Efficacy, ||Purpose||,

Motivation, Contribution, Generosity

Movie: "The Kings Speech"



Bible Character: Nehemiah



Richard Schlatter's A. Lincoln is comprised of more than 24,000 copper pennies.

1) The Lord wants you to live a profound & richly satisfying life; And living out your unique & divine purpose is the path to get there.

John 10:10 NLT

10 The thief's purpose is to steal and kill and destroy. My purpose is to give them a rich and satisfying life.

John 10:10 MSG

I came so they can have real and eternal life, more and better life than they ever dreamed of.

Psalm 139:2-3,13-14

- 2 You know when I sit and when I rise; you perceive my thoughts from afar. 3 You discern my going out and my lying down; you are familiar with all my ways...
- 13 For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb.
 14 I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made, your works are wonderful, I know that full well.



- "- King George VI: Listen to me.
- Lionel Logue: Listen to you? By what right?
- King George VI: By divine right, if you must. I am your king.
- Lionel Logue: No, you're not. You told me so yourself. You said you didn't want it. Why should I waste my time listening?
- King George VI: Because I have a right to be heard. I have a voice.
- Lionel..." ...Yes, you do.

[before his coronation]

#2) You are a uniquely created Masterpiece of GOD w/Gifts ("a toolkit") to fulfil your purpose even through troubles & difficulty.

Ephesians 2:10 NLT

"For we are God's masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things he planned for us long ago."

1 Corinthians 12:7 NLT

"A spiritual gift is given to each of us so we can help each other."

Nehemiah 2:19-20

19 But when Sanballat the Horonite, Tobiah the Ammonite official and Geshem the Arab heard about it, they mocked and ridiculed us. "What is this you are doing?" they asked. "Are you rebelling against the king?" 20 I answered them by saying, "The God of heaven will give us success. We his servants will start rebuilding..."

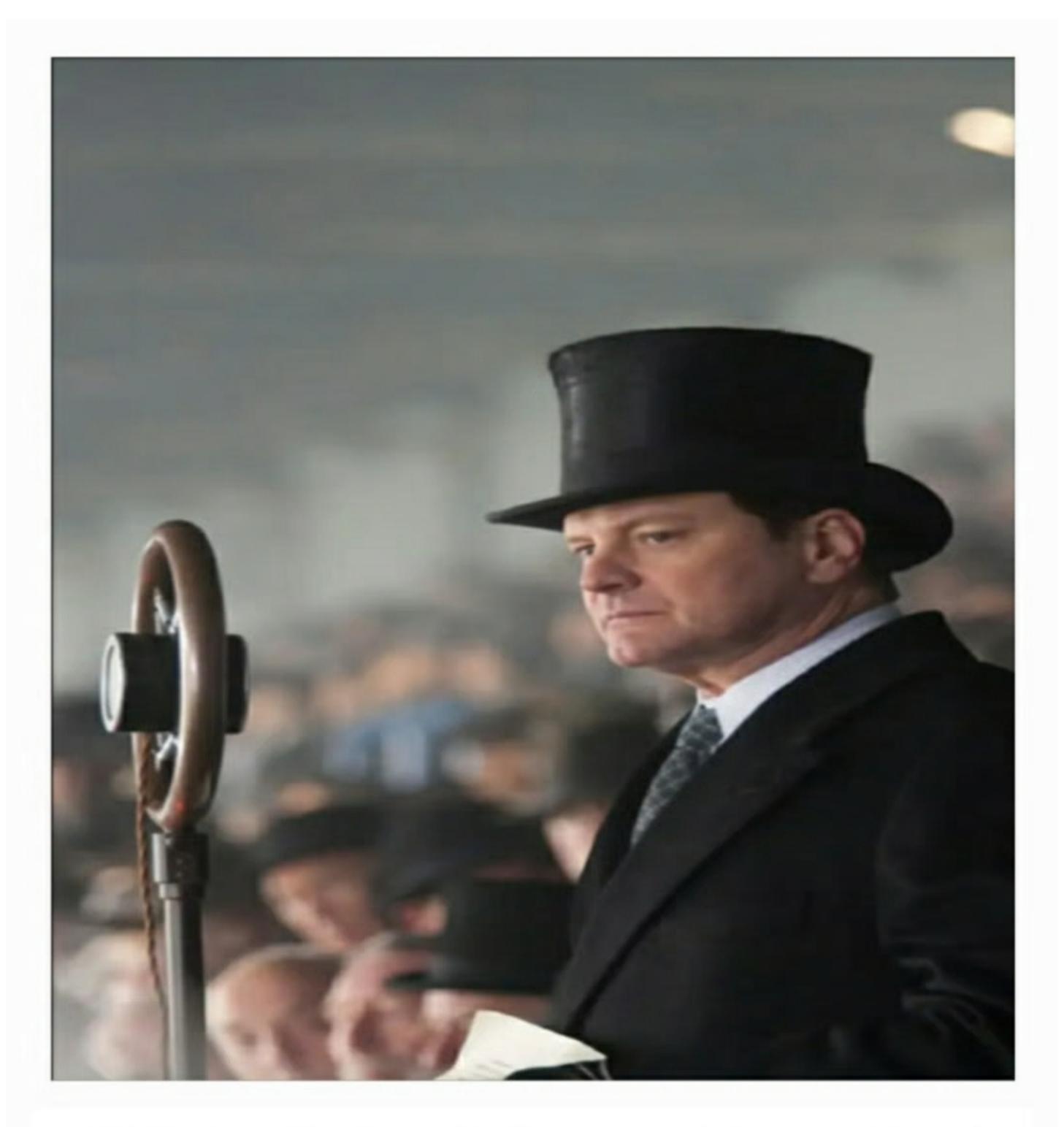
Nehemiah 6:2-4,9

2 Sanballat and Geshem sent me this message: "Come, let us meet together in one of the villages on the plain of Ono." But they were scheming to harm me; 3 so I sent messengers to them with this reply: "I am carrying on a great project and cannot go down. Why should the work stop while I leave it and go down to you?" 4 Four times they sent me the same message, and each time I gave them the same answer... 9 They were all trying to frighten us, thinking, "Their hands will get too weak for the work, and it will not be completed." But I prayed, "Now strengthen my hands."



"I'm very much afraid, sir, that your greatest test is yet to come."

[referring to Hitler's war]



"You know, ih... if I'm a... a King, where's my power? Can I... can I form a government? Can I... can I l-levy a tax, declare a... a war? No! And yet I am the seat of all authority. Why? Because... the nation believes that when I s... I speak, I speak for them, but I can't speak."

[stammering]

COLIN FIRTH - King George VI

"You have such perseverance, Bertie. You're the bravest man I know. You'll make a bloody good king."

3) A few hints & helps to <u>discover</u> your <u>purpose</u>: Seek GOD; Gifts Discovery; Passions of the Heart; Watch your Tears; & "Intersections"

Nehemiah 1:2-4,11

2 Hanani, one of my brothers, came from Judah with some other men, and I questioned them about the Jewish remnant that had survived the exile, and also about Jerusalem. 3 They said to me, "Those who survived the exile and are back in the province are in great trouble and disgrace. The wall of Jerusalem is broken down, and its gates have been burned with fire." 4 When I heard these things, I sat down and wept. For some days I mourned and fasted and prayed before the God of heaven..."

11 Lord, let your ear be attentive to the prayer of this your servant and to the prayer of your servants who delight in revering your name. Give your servant success today by granting him favor in the presence of this man." I was cupbearer to the king.

Nehemiah 2:1

1 In the month of Nisan in the twentieth year of King Artaxerxes, when wine was brought for him, I took the wine and gave it to the king. I had not been sad in his presence before, 2 so the king asked me, "Why does your face look so sad when you are not ill? This can be nothing but sadness of heart."

I was very much afraid, 3 but I said to the king, "May the king live forever! Why should my face not look sad when the city where my ancestors are buried lies in ruins, and its gates have been destroyed by fire?"

4 The king said to me, "What is it you want?" Then I prayed to the God of heaven, 5 and I answered the king, "If it pleases the king and if your servant has found favor in his sight, let him send me to the city in Judah where my ancestors are buried so that I can rebuild it."





"Over and over again we have tried to find a peaceful way out of the differences between ourselves and those who are now our enemies, but it has been in vain. We have been forced into a conflict, for we are called to meet the challenge of a principle, which, if it were to prevail, would be fatal to any civilized order in the world."

[in his war speech]

4) The Masterpiece of your Unique Life, Purpose, Passions & Gifts are best used & make an eternal difference in concert w/the Church.

1 Timothy 3:15b GW

"God's family is the church of the living God, the pillar and foundation of the truth"

Hebrews 10:25 NLT

25 And let us not neglect our meeting together, as some people do, but encourage one another.

Matthew 16:18-20 NCV

18 So I tell you, you are Peter. On this rock I will build my church, and the power of death will not be able to defeat it. 19 I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven...



"There may be dark days ahead, and war can no longer be confined to the battlefield, but we can only do the right as we see the right, and reverently commit our cause to God. If one and all we keep resolutely faithful to it, then, with God's help, we shall prevail."

[in his war speech]