# PREACHING CURRICULUM



#### HOW TO GET IT RIGHT 1 KINGS 2:13-3:1-15

"...no matter how smart or skilled you are, we all need divine wisdom ... "

### **REVIEW THE SERMON**

How did King Solomon discern the different ways to deal with the four different men in 1 Kings 2:13-46? Why did he choose different consequences for each one? What do the punishments Solomon administered to the four men reveal about God, and what was their purpose?

1 Kings 3:2 says, "The people were sacrificing at the high places, however, because no house had yet been built for the name of the Lord." What is revealed about the nature of the human heart as it pertains to worship? What, if any, is the connection between this verse and the very next one, 1 Kings 3:3?

How did Solomon exhibit humility in his prayer to God?



#### **ASSESS YOUR LIFE**

God blessed Solomon with more than what he asked for. What should this teach us about our heart posture in prayer? How does your posture reflect this attitude in your prayer time with God?

Have you ever made an alliance with someone who hates God (business, marriage, politically)? What were the consequences of it?

If God is always working and always initiating in our lives, how might He be working in ways we might not realize at the time? How is He working in your life today?

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## **APPLY THE TRUTH**

What is wisdom? How do I get more wisdom? How can I display divine wisdom as Solomon did to those around him?

How can we stay obedient to God when our hearts are divided, and we are pulled in so many different directions? What wisdom/advice would you give someone who is struggling to be obedient?

Pastor Aaron said that "humility is not passivity, but rather bridled courage." What do you think that means, and how are you pursuing humility in your own life? How can you put it on display this week?

Proverbs 3:5-6 says, "Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make straight your paths." Why do we so often do the exact opposite of this? What are some ways we can work this week to place our trust in God and not ourselves?

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#### **COMMIT THIS WEEK**

How will you pursue wisdom and attempt to grow in wisdom this week?

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#### **PRAYER REQUESTS/PRAISE REPORTS**

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