

PREACHING CURRICULUM



THE IDEAL KING 1 KINGS 3:16-4:34

“...as a Christian never be ashamed to speak authoritatively into the issues of our day, for God's wisdom is in you...”

1

REVIEW THE SERMON

Why was it important for King Solomon to study and examine human nature and human behavior? _____

How is our government abandoned benevolent governance? How is that contrasted with Solomon's rule? _____

Why has the pillarization of knowledge been detrimental to people and to society? What is the weakness of people becoming experts in only one discipline or subject area? _____

2

ASSESS YOUR LIFE

When is the last time you asked God for wisdom or to make you wise? What was the circumstance surrounding that request? _____

How do you determine what is truth and what is lie when asked to resolve a situation? Asked another way, How can you learn to uncover the lie, so you are ready when you are put in the position of adjudicating a dispute? _____

As a fun exercise, think of some things you have observed to be true about people in general. Include yourself in this observation and then create some of your own proverbs in light of those observation. What does this teach you about yourself and others? As an example, I have noticed that when a man is not well prepared, he will become anxious. So, my proverb would be 'worry and anxiety are bound up in a man's heart, but those who prepare well will find peace.' _____

3

APPLY THE TRUTH

Why is it so important that asking for wisdom be a regular request to God in our prayers? What are some benefits you have seen in your own life and those you have observed who have made prayer a regular part of their disciplines. _____

What is a pillarized view of knowledge? What are the consequences of pillarized life? _____

How can we mitigate against a pillarized life? What are examples that have worked well in your life? I.e. travel, writing, reading widely and expanding your experiences etc. _____

4

COMMIT THIS WEEK

Part of growing in wisdom requires us to pray and observe human behavior. Is this a regular part of your disciplines? If not, how will you commit to growing in this area this week? _____

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PRAYER REQUESTS/PRAISE REPORTS

DATE: _____

PERSON	REQUEST	ANSWER/PRAISE REPORT