



PREACHING CURRICULUM

WARNINGS & BLESSINGS

1 KINGS 10:1-13

“There are always grey areas we travel through as we progress from light into darkness.”

1 REVIEW THE SERMON

What are some of the hints to the leaks in Solomon's life we see at the end of chapter 9 and into chapter 10, leading up to the problem described in chapter 11? _____

What things in our culture tempt Christians to dabble in “grey areas” and ultimately compromise obedience, just as we see Solomon do in the text? _____

How is this sermon an extension of last week's warning that we're only ever one step away from disaster? I.e., how do the three main points of the sermon serve as a guardrail against compromise and failure? _____

2 ASSESS YOUR LIFE

“Learn this lesson: sweat the small thing, Pay attention to the details...”

Are there any people or things in your life that have led you away from God? E.g., inappropriate relationships, unrestrained internet access, a close unbelieving friend, etc. _____

We all have areas in our walk with the Lord that need growth, or are not as bright as they should be. What is a gray area in your life that God is helping you through right now? How is He helping you in this way? _____

As we have learnt from the life of Solomon, compromise squanders God's blessings. How have you compromised in sin and squandered His blessing in your life? _____

3

APPLY THE TRUTH

“Ultimately, we all need to be more like Christ. That’s our safe zone. That’s the place where we can be sure we’re safe from compromise and failure.”

If there are or have been “unhelpful relationships” that you have had or are still taking place in your life, what should you be doing so that you are not drawn in further to sin and compromise? _____

How do you deal with your blind-spots and weaknesses that can lead to compromise if left unchecked? What can you do about passivity in your walk with the Lord? What are some action steps you need to take to guard against this?

How can we draw our family closer to God and to greater faithfulness? _____

4

COMMIT THIS WEEK

Be like John the Baptist “He must increase, but I must decrease.” John 3:30

What will I do this week to pursue greater faithfulness to Christ and resist compromise? _____

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PRAYER REQUESTS/PRAISE REPORTS

DATE: _____

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