Series: Wisdom and Obedience, a study in 1 Kings

Sermon: Wisdom and Aging **Primary Text:** 1 Kings 1 & 2

Discussion guide:

- What is the difference between knowledge and wisdom? (read James 3:13)
- Read Ecclesiastes 12:13-14
 - o Based on this what would you say Solomon's greatest piece of wisdom might be?
- In the sermon we said that Godly wisdom inevitably leads to obedience why is this so?
- Read 1 Kings 1:1-4
 - O What does this tell you about King David?
- Read 1 Kings 1:5-10
 - O What does this account tell you about Adonijah's attitude toward David?
 - o Do we tend to have the same attitude toward ourselves? Explain?
- Read 1 Kings 1:11-27
 - O Why does Nathan have such urgency?
 - O Why is their plot risky?
- Read 1 Kings 1:25-53
 - What does the fact that David heeds Nathan and Bathsheba's counsel tell you about David and his wisdom?
 - o What does David's powerful and instant reply tell you about aging and wisdom?
 - o Read v. 37 and v. 47-48.
 - What does this tell you about David's humility and wisdom?
 - Why is it important for us to invest in our own replacements?
 - How can we do this?
- Read 1 Kings 2:1-4
 - o How would you summarize David's advice to Solomon here?
 - o How is this the best legacy a father (or anyone) can leave?