

66 The Lord was very angry with Solomon, for his heart had turned away from the Lord, the God of Israel, who had appeared to him twice. He had warned Solomon specifically about worshiping other gods, but Solomon did not listen to the Lord's command. So now the Lord said to him, 'Since you have not kept my covenant and have disobeyed my decrees, I will surely tear the kingdom away from you and give it to one of your servants. But for the sake of your father, David, I will not do this while you are still alive. I will take the kingdom away from your son. And even so, I will not take away the entire kingdom; I will let him be king of one tribe, for the sake of my servant David and for the sake of Jerusalem, my chosen city.'"

~ 1 KINGS 11:9-13 (NLT)

REHOBOAM: THERE'S A

Solomon ruled in Jerusalem over all Israel for forty years. When he died, he was buried in the City of David, named for his father. Then his son Rehoboam became the next king."
1 KINGS 11:42-43 (NLT)

JEROBOAM: THERE'S

The leaders of Israel summoned him, and Jeroboam and the whole assembly of Israel went to speak with Rehoboam. 'Your father was a hard master,' they said. 'Lighten the harsh labor demands and heavy taxes that your father imposed on us. Then we will be your loyal subjects.'"
1 KINGS 12:3-4 (NLT)

REHOBOAM IGNORES

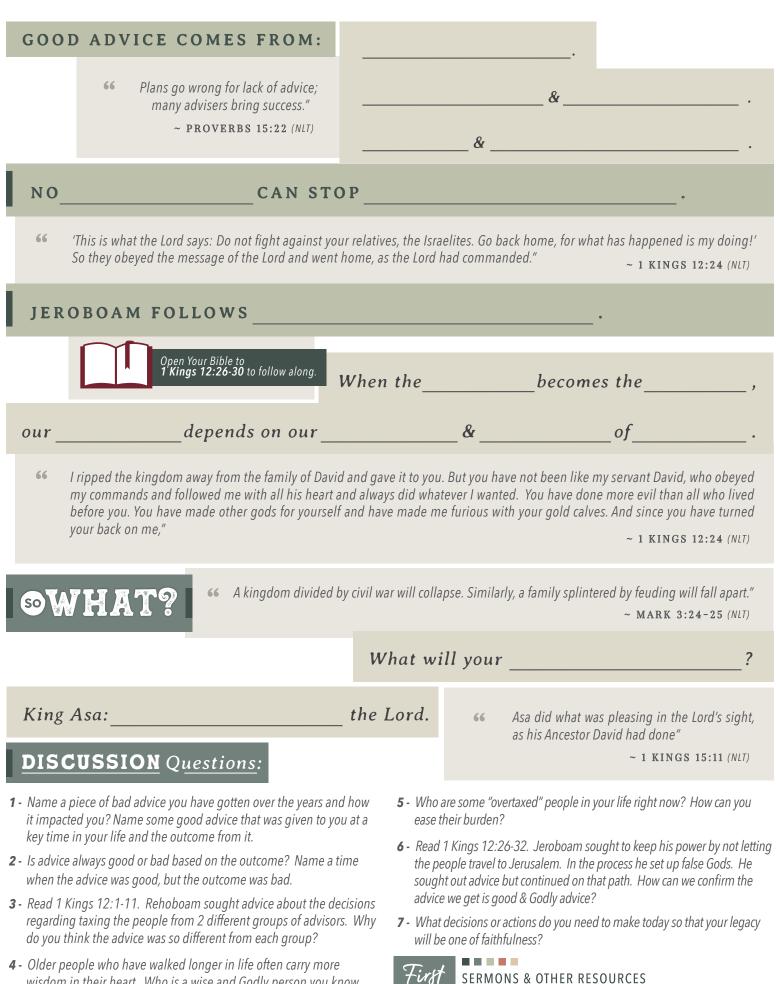
56 Then King Rehoboam discussed the matter with the older men who had counseled his father, Solomon. 'What is your advice?' he asked. 'How should I answer these people?'

The older counselors replied, 'If you are willing to be a servant to these people today and give them a favorable answer, they will always be your loyal subjects.'

But Rehoboam rejected the advice of the older men and instead asked the opinion of the young men who had grown up with him and were now his advisers."

~ 1 KINGS 12:6-8 (NLT)

… and followed the counsel of his younger advisers. He told the people, 'My father laid heavy burdens on you, but I'm going to make them even heavier! My father beat you with whips, but I will beat you with scorpions!' So the king paid no attention to the people. This turn of events was the will of the Lord, for it fulfilled the Lord's message to Jeroboam son of Nebat through the prophet Ahijah from Shiloh."



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