

SERMON NOTES

May 21 & 22, 2022

Rooted: Wisdom

Life Lessons from Solomon:

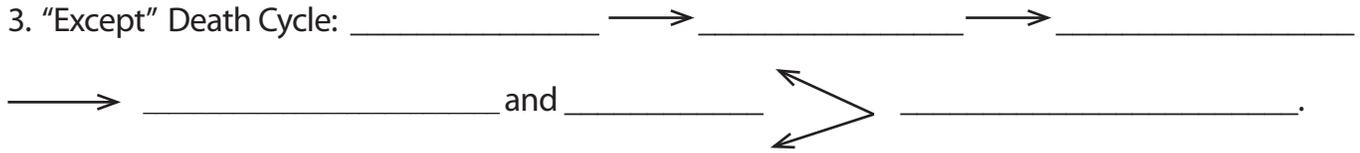
1. I can come from a _____ and _____ by God.

2 Samuel 18:33 | 1 Kings 1:5-6 | 1 Kings 3:6-7, 9-10

2. Successful people are _____, _____, _____.

1 Kings 3:6-7, 9-10, 28 | 1 Kings 4:22-23, 29-34 | 1 Kings 10:3

3. "Except" Death Cycle: _____ → _____ → _____
→ _____ and _____



1 Kings 3:3 | 1 Kings 6:38b - 7:1 | 1 Kings 11:1-6

4. Life is a choice between two paths: _____ or _____.

Ephesians 4:22

5. Desire always _____ my thinking; wisdom always _____ my thinking.

James 1:5a | 1 Kings 3:9 | 1 Kings 11:1 | Matthew 12:42 | Matthew 6:25-29

6. Wise people design their life to finish well so that they might hear from God: _____.

Life Steps

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Monday

2 Timothy 4:7

Reflect: Being successful in life includes finishing well. What does it take to finish well? How would you like your epitaph to read?

Prayer: God, give me the wisdom needed to be successful according to your ways.

Tuesday

1 Kings 3:1-3 | 1 Kings 11: 1-6

Reflect: The writer of 1 Kings uses “except” and “however” to highlight Solomon’s problem areas. What were they? What “exceptions” or “howevers” in your life fall outside the ways of God?

Prayer: God, forgive me for choosing not to be rooted in your wisdom in every area of my life.

Wednesday

1 Kings 3:4-9

Reflect: Describe Solomon’s commitment to obeying God. What do you learn about Solomon in 1 Kings 3:1-11 that you can apply to your own life?

Prayer: God, teach me how to walk in the ways of wisdom.

Thursday

1 Kings 4:22-23, 29-33; 10:3, 22-29

Reflect: How did Solomon use his wealth? What might Solomon have done if he would have applied God-given wisdom to his riches? Where do you need financial wisdom?

Prayer: God, show me how to be wise with all you have provided.

Friday

1 Kings 3:5

Reflect: If God said to you, “Ask for whatever you want me to give you,” how would you respond?

Prayer: Ask God for whatever you need.

Saturday

1 Kings 11:1-4 | Ephesians 4:22-23

Reflect: What did Solomon do with the wisdom God gave him when it came to his personal desires and appetites? Where in your life are you choosing the path of desire over the path of wisdom?

Prayer: God, I surrender my desires to your will, so I might choose the path of wisdom.

Sunday

Matthew 6:25-34

Reflect: What are some of the indicators that someone is rooted in the wisdom of Jesus? Who is the wisest person you know personally? Why them?

Prayer: Thank you, God, for leading me in the ways of wisdom.