

Series: God and Kings (2 Chronicles)

Sermon: Why is Life Frustrating?

Bible Verses: 2 Chronicles 1:1-12

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Solomon "_____ firmly over his kingdom" (2 Chron 1:1). Looks like he was in _____.

Reality: "_____ with Solomon and _____ exceedingly great" (2 Chron 1:1).

Solomon certainly worked, but God _____.

We _____ and GOD MAKES IT _____!

Proverbs 16:9: In his heart a man plans his course, _____ the Lord _____ his steps.

Our souls are established _____! We can work... but _____ works it out.

Solomon's response to being established is to _____.

God offers Solomon whatever he wants and Solomon requests (1) _____ so that he can (2) govern God's people _____.

Solomon recognizes that God has made him King, but he is _____ himself, of establishing, ruling, or creating a Kingdom. He needs God and he needs _____, so he asks for it.

God _____ Solomon the wisdom he requested, and much more, because he was _____ with Solomon's response!

Practical Application: Give up _____ and admit: God establishes Kingdoms. Follow Jesus and say, "What do you want to do with me, God?"

Practical Application: Literally, ask God _____ in our situations, especially about how to accomplish his goals.

Growth Group prep

- Read 2 Chronicles 1:1 again. Which words stick out to you the most, and why?
- Read what Jesus says in Matthew 25:23, as he talks about rewarding people in the next life. Do you find any parallels between the next life and 2 Chronicles 1:1?
- How did God respond to Solomon, and what happened to him, after he requested wisdom (2 Chron 1:11-12)? What do you think would've happened to Solomon, had he asked God for wealth or some other thing?
- Read Proverbs 8:10-11. Solomon, speaking as personified wisdom, wrote that. What does it mean?