**Series: God and Kings (2 Chronicles)
Sermon: My Hot Air Doesn't Make Me Happy
Bible Verses: 2 Chronicles 9:1-12
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What's the best way to genuinely *love* life? How do I find \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_?

Solomon was \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ by the Queen of Sheba, but he \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ every difficult question posed.

The Queen of Sheba saw all Solomon had and was \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ with his wisdom, riches, palace, dedication, and more.

How does Solomon have such a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_?

If we want to be lifted up it, it must be by something \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ us.

**The Queen of Sheba sees all of Solomon's amazing life, and is most impressed by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. That's the real issue here - Solomon had \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that lifted his life up.**

The one who \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ loves life; the one who cherishes \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ will soon prosper (That is Proverbs 19:8).

**"For a happier \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ make \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ your goal!"**

**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ do we get \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_?**

1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ it (Prov 4:8, Prov 1:20).

2. Know the words of God, the law of the Lord (Psalm 19:7).

3. Accept \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, discipline, and advice from other \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ - especially people who know and love Jesus (Prov 12:1, 15:22).

4. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for it (James 1:5, Eph 1:17).

5. Think about my \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, and the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of life, often (Psalm 90:12).

6. Pursue \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ with \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ intensity than the Queen of Sheba pursued Solomon (Matthew 12:42).

**Wisdom not only brings me blessings, but it brings joy and life to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ me. I can be a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of happiness to others if I get wisdom.**

**Growth Group prep**

* Reread Proverbs 19:8. Is this a promise or a principle? Are we always going to get these things if we are wise? If not, how can this verse say these things and still be true?
* Jesus was the wisest man to ever live (he was *God incarnate* after all). But, he suffered more than any of us ever will. How do we reconcile that with Proverbs 19:8? Attempt to answer this first, then lookup Hebrews 12:2 and re-answer.
* How does that change how we understand what wisdom is about?
* What were some of the purposes of the Temple prior to Jesus, and how do you think those things work with the "new Temple" in 1 Corinthians?