

# Sermon Questions for Life Groups, Individuals, and Accountability Groups

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## CONNECT:

- Which celebrity in American culture might be considered the epitome of a “man’s man”? What character traits does this “man’s man” display?

## GROW:

- Read 1 Kings 2:1-46.
- What initial advice does David give to Solomon (see verses 1-4)?
- Why would this be the counsel David gives first? Has anyone ever given you this type of counsel (please explain)? What is the long-lasting benefit of following this advice?
- In what ways is this advice counter to our current culture? Does that make it easier or more difficult to follow that counsel? Please explain.
- What promise had God given David that David passed on to Solomon? From what you know about Israelite history, how did David’s descendants do with following through? What is grace, and how is Luke 1:32 an amazing picture of grace?
- David gives more advice in 1 Kings 2:5-9. What title would you use to summarize this type of advice? How should David’s initial advice (verses 1-4) to Solomon influence this second type of advice?
- Do you notice in your own life how taking in God’s Word changes the way you live and make decisions? Any examples?
- How do Genesis 9:6 and Romans 13:1-7 shape the way we think about Solomon’s actions against Israel’s “underminers” and enemies in 1 Kings 2? What sorts of things had these men apparently loved that led to their downfall? Do any of these same things loom large in your life and tempt you to love them more than God?

## GO:

- Do you have a plan for reading the Bible? Do you read God’s Word regularly? If you don’t have something in place, will you commit to speaking to a trusted friend or a Highland pastor about starting a consistent Bible reading plan?

To prepare for next week’s message, read 1 Kings 3:1-15.

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