

“ADVICE”

1 Kings 12:1-17

vs. 6, 9, 13

Then King Rehoboam consulted the elders who stood before his father Solomon while he still lived, and he said, "How do you advise me to answer these people?"

But he rejected the advice which the elders had given him, and consulted the young men who had grown up with him, who stood before him. And he said to them, "What advice do you give?"

Vs. 13,14

“Then the king answered the people roughly, and rejected the advice which the elders had given him; and he spoke to them according to the advice of the young men”

Advice = Life calls for it, people give it, and tomorrow comes from it!

ADVICE

“Advice is least heeded when most needed” English Proverb

“Seek advice but use your own common sense” Yiddish Proverb

Many receive advice, only the wise profit from it.” Publilius Syrus

“Advice is what we ask for when we already know the answer but wish we didn't.” Erica Jong

The best way 2 succeed in life iz
2 act on the advice we give 2 others

1. The Call for advice

(vs. 1-4) “now therefore”

Deuteronomy 30:15 – “good & evil”

1 Kings 18:21- “choose”

Matthew 7:14 – “Broad & narrow”

James 1:8 – “double minded”

James 4:15 – “this or that”

Wisdom needed – 1 Kings 3

Advice or Authority?



It's good to seek advice!

Proverbs 11:14 - .. no counsel, the people fall; But in the multitude of counselors there is safety.

Proverbs 12:15 - The way of a fool is right in his own eyes, But he who heeds counsel is wise

Proverbs 15:22 -Without counsel, plans go awry, But in the multitude of counselors they are established.

Proverbs 20:18 - Plans are established by counsel; By wise counsel wage war.

Proverbs 24:6 - by wise counsel you will wage your own war, And in a multitude of counselors.....

However

***“Never ask a barber
if you need a haircut”***

If you need the best toothpaste would you ask

- 1. Your children***
- 2. P & G***
- 3. Your Dentist***



2. The communicators of advice (vs.5-11) “old & young”

Past/present; experienced/novice; Godly/ungodly; Church/world;

- 1. Never the world, the ungodly – Psalm 1:1, Proverbs 13:20, Romans 12:2, 1 Corinthians 15:33, 2 Corinthians 6:14.**
- 2. God values the old, the experienced – Job 12:12; 32:17; Psalm 37:25; Ecclesiastes 1:16; 1 Timothy 5:1; Titus 2:3**

God puts Godly people in our lives for guidance - 2 Timothy 3:14

3. The Choice of advice (vs. 12-24) “I will”

**We seek advice so we can make good, Godly,
safe decisions and choices!**

Watch out for

- 1. Pride – “serve” (v.7) Philippians 2:1- 4**
- 2. Peers – “with him”(v.8) Romans 12:2**
- 3. Power, - (v.11) “as my father” - Luke 12**

**Everyone likes to give advice,
few like to follow it**

Good advice

- 1. Keep the Authority – Psalm 119:100** “I have more understanding than the ancients for I obey Your precepts”
- 2. Value the aged – Joshua 24:15** “But as for me & my house, we will serve the LORD!” **1 John 2:13 -**
“fathers, know Him who is from the beginning”
- 3. Prepare to act – Luke 14:25-35** “Sit down and consider if he is able”;

