



Community Group Discussion Guide
Sunday, April 17

Everybody Wins When Guided by Godly Wisdom
1 Kings 3

1. If presented with the "blank slate" ability to ask for anything...what would you ask for?
2. How would you define wisdom? One Old Testament scholar defined it as follows: "Competence with regard to life's realities."
3. See Proverbs 9:10. Where does wisdom begin? In this context the "fear" refers to recognition and reverence that lead to submission. Wisdom begins with a recognition of who God is.
4. As you read through 1 Kings 3:5-15, how is it evident that Solomon lived with this perspective? Why is it SO IMPORTANT that embracing this perspective is the starting place? What else stands out to you from these verses?
5. Read James 1:5, what is the advice given to us when we lack wisdom? Reflect on what good news this is. When we are in need of wisdom what is the posture of God when we are dependent on Him?
6. Fast forward in the life of Solomon (see 1 Kings 11:1-6). What happened to Solomon? What did he abandon?
7. Let's get practical for a few minutes.

In what areas of your life do you see the need for wisdom from God?

How can and how have other godly people in your life directed you? (See Proverbs 13:20)
8. Close by praying for each other and the places where you are longing for the wisdom of God.