

# SERMON APPLICATION GUIDE

## I Kings 11:1-13

**Ice Breaker:** What's one evidence of grace you've seen from God this week?

### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

1. What are the reasons King Solomon would take so many wives and concubines?
2. Why did God forbid the Israelites to marry even one foreign woman? (see Duet. 7:2-6)
3. What was the consequence to Solomon because of his wickedness? How does God even show mercy amidst discipline?
4. What explains Solomon's fall from walking with God into the abomination of idol worship? What does Solomon's great fall say about our own hearts?
5. Read Jeremiah 17:5-10, Prov. 4:23, Luke 6:45, James 1:13-15. What do these passages tell us about our hearts and temptation?
6. What does it mean to guard your heart? What ways has God given us to fight against the deception of sin?
7. How does the body of believers (the church) help us fight against the sin that so easily entangles us?
8. What lies from the of the world, our flesh, and the devil are easy to believe about God and about yourself, especially when circumstances are difficult? What promises of God help you fight these lies?
9. When all other Kings and leaders fail, why can we count on King Jesus to never let us down?