



Somebody Knows
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1 Kings 12

Whether or not you make New Year's resolutions, we all want to become better people. It might be you want to be thinner, richer, a better parent, you might even want your marriage to get stronger, or get married. No matter who we are we all want to go from where we are to a better future.

Lessons from Rehoboam:

1. God speaks to us more than we know, we just don't like or know the source. (1 Kings 12:7)
2. We usually end up where we don't want to be, when we do exactly what we want to do. (1 Kings 12:8)
3. If we give it enough time and talk to enough people we can always find someone who is going to tell us what we want to hear. (1 Kings 12:9)

Takeaways:

1. There is somebody who knows how to get you from where you are to where you need to be and you won't get there unless you listen.

2. Just simply doing what you want to do without good outside influence won't get you where you want to be.

We all want a better future for ourselves, God wants a better future for us, and maybe the only thing that is keeping us from our preferred future is just listening to the right people in our lives.

Questions to ponder:

1. Who is one person in your life that has nothing to lose by telling you the truth? Do you currently seek wisdom from that person? Why or why not?
2. What do you wish you'd been doing all along to get where you want to be? What is one step you can take this week to begin doing it? Who can support and encourage you?
3. What is a behavior that has hindered you from getting where you want to be in life? What can you do this week to stop that behavior? Who can hold you accountable?

Scriptures to think about:

1. Psalm 1:1-3
2. Proverbs 27:12