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- A) Good friends.
- B) A good family.
- C) Faith.
- D) Other _____.

In your own words, describe how Solomon changed from his early days as king.
(See 1 Kings 3:5-9 and 1 Kings 11:7-10.)

What do you think caused the change in Solomon's heart?

- A) Pride.
- B) Guilt.
- C) Worldliness.
- D) Doubt.

How do you know when you are drifting away from God?

What are the things that keep you close with God?

King Solomon probably never considered the effect of his choices on his people. Our hearts and our actions affect those around us, too. Who might your choices be affecting?

- A) My siblings.
- B) My parents.
- C) My friends.
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Christ Connection

What is the best way for us to stay close to God and keep our hearts focused on Him?
(See Acts 3:8.)

King Solomon and the Divided Kingdom BETWEEN THE LINES

Take some time to read the story of King Solomon and the divided kingdom in 1 Kings 11:1-13.



WHAT DOES IT SAY?

King David reigned over Israel for 40 years. Before He died, what instruction did he give to his son, Solomon? (See 1 Kings 2:1-4.)

David had made all the plans for the building of the temple, but Solomon built it. How long did it take? (See 1 Kings 7:1)

What was the finishing touch to the temple? (See 1 Kings 8:1-11.)

What promise did God make to Solomon? (See 1 Kings 9:1-9.)



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God blessed Solomon. How would you describe Solomon's reign in your own words?
(See 1 Kings 10:23-25.)

What did Solomon do to damage his relationship with God and endangered his kingdom?
(See 1 Kings 11:1-2.)

Why did God divide Solomon's kingdom, when He could have taken it all away?
(See 1 Kings 11:12-13.)

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