

Finishing Well

Keeping Your Head in the Game:

" In a large house there are articles not only of gold and silver, but also of wood and clay; some are for special purposes and some for common use. Those who cleanse themselves from the latter will be instruments for special purposes, made holy, useful to the Master and prepared to do any good work.

2 Timothy 2:20, 21

1. Compromise . .
Calls One Away from God
 - a) God . . Detailed A Warning about Foreign Women

" King Solomon loved many foreign women in addition to Pharaoh's daughter: Moabite, Ammonite, Edomite, Sidonian, and Hittite women from the nations that the Lord had told the Israelites about, "Do not intermarry with them, and they must not intermarry with you, because they will turn you away from Me to their gods."

1 Kings 11:1-2a

1. Compromise . .
Calls One Away from God
 - a) God . . Detailed A Warning about Foreign Women
 - b) Solomon . . Disobeyed The Warning about Foreign Women

" . . . Solomon was deeply attached to these women and loved them. He had 700 wives who were princesses and 300 concubines, and they turned his heart away from the Lord."

1 Kings 11:2b-3

2. Compromise . .
Causes A Divided Loyalty
 - a) Solomon's Wives Caused Him To
. . Follow False gods

" When Solomon was old, his wives seduced him to follow other gods. His heart was not completely with the Lord his God, as his father David's heart had been. Solomon followed Ashtoreth, the goddess of the Sidonians, and Milcom, the detestable idol of the Ammonites. Solomon did what was evil in the Lord's sight, and unlike his father David, he did not completely follow the Lord."

1 Kings 11:4-6

2. Compromise . .
Causes A Divided Loyalty
 - a) Solomon's Wives Caused Him To . . Follow False gods
 - b) Solomon's Wives Caused Him To . . Fortify the Practices of His Pagan Wives

" At that time, Solomon built a high place for Chemosh, the detestable idol of Moab , and for Milcom, the detestable idol of the Ammonites on the hill across from Jerusalem . 8 He did the same for all his foreign wives, who were burning incense and offering sacrifices to their gods."

1 Kings 11:7-8

3. Compromise . .
Corrupts the Life of the Believer
 - a) The Corrupt Affect Led Solomon
to . . Disobey

*" The Lord was angry with Solomon,
because his heart had turned away from
the Lord God of Israel , who had appeared
to him twice. He had commanded him
about this, so that he would not follow other
gods, but Solomon did not do what the
Lord had commanded and followed gods of
evil."*

1 Kings 11:9-10

3. Compromise . .
Corrupts the Life of the Believer
 - a) The Corrupt Affect Led Solomon to . . Disobey
 - b) The Corrupt Affect Led God to . .
Divide the Kingdom

" Then the Lord said to Solomon, "Since you have done this and did not keep My covenant and My statutes, which I commanded you, I will tear the kingdom away from you and give it to your servant. However, I will not do it during your lifetime because of your father David; I will tear it out of your son's hand."

1 Kings 11:11-13

“ Yet, I will not tear the entire kingdom away from him. I will give one tribe to your son because of my servant David and because of Jerusalem that I chose.”

1 Kings 11:11-13

“Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, but store up treasures in heaven”

Matthew 6:19-20

