

## SERMON NOTES

**Title:** Leaving a Godly Legacy

**Text:** I Kings 12:8-11

**Topic:** Breaking a Generational Curse

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**File Under:** Christian Living



Solomon disobeyed God and there were **consequences**. His kingdom **split in two**.

God's will is for us to live in **harmony and peace**. (Psalm 133:1  
Romans 12:18)

During David's and Solomon's reign the nation of Israel was at its **zenith**. But then everything spiraled into **chaos**.

The nation of Israel **divided**. The **ten** tribes in the north aligned with Jeroboam. The **two** tribes of the south aligned with Rehoboam. Jeroboam was the king that God anointed. Rehoboam was the king that Solomon appointed.

### THE PAST CAN BRING **DIVISION OR UNITY** IN THE FUTURE.

Israel split because of the legacy of an unfaithful **leader**. We each have a realm of **influence**. The decisions that we make today will impact generations to come.

If your story is about the consequences of a **poor legacy**, take heart, God specializes in transforming stories.

### COUNSEL CAN EITHER **HINDER OR HELP** BUILD UNITY.

Rehoboam listened to wise counsel, but in the end **rejected** it.

## GOOD COUNSEL:

- pray asking for **wisdom**.
- see what **the Bible** has to say.
- talk to **Godly** people
- Act upon the **Holy Spirit's** leading

*"Plans fail for lack of counsel, but with many advisors they succeed."*  
Proverbs 15:22

### A SOLID FAITH IN THE **TRUTH** CREATES UNITY.

Jeroboam is concerned only about **preserving** his own kingdom. Jeroboam's line of reasoning... "we don't have to do **exactly** what God says to do."

*"You (Jeroboam) have done more evil than all who lived before you."*  
1 Kings 14:8&9

Rehoboam wasn't much better. This was a **bleak** time in the history of the Hebrews.

A **bright** spot: King Asa. *"Asa did what was right in the eyes of the Lord, as his father David had done. Asa's heart was fully committed to the Lord all his life."* 1 Kings 15:11,14

If we are going to be remembered for the **right** things we've got to do the **right** things.

During the divided kingdom there were **38** kings, and only **five** of them followed God. Be one of the five!