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Solomon's Pursuit of Happiness
1 Kings 9-11; Ecclesiastes

What the rise and fall of King Solomon can teach us about wisdom, wealth, and wanting more.

Discussion Questions

1. When the Queen of Sheba came to visit Solomon, she was overwhelmed by God's blessing to Solomon, both in terms of wealth and accomplishments. What does the writer of Kings list as evidence of Solomon's success?
2. How did Solomon's heart turn from God?
3. How does pursuing the "American dream" sometimes come in conflict with our relationship with Jesus?
4. Reflect on pursuits in your own life. Are there areas where you continually seek "more," whether that means wanting a better education, a more meaningful relationship, or a higher-paying job, etc?
5. How can you focus on pursuing your relationship with Christ, rather than just "chasing after the wind?"