

Immerse: Kingdoms

Mistrust and Disobedience (5.16.21)

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You turn away from God just a little, and soon you're completely turned around.

Ice breaker: Just how much trust is there in your group? Share a time when you made a small decision that led to walking away from God (or nearly so).

Read: Deuteronomy 17:14-17

- Why was God so explicit in his instructions for choosing a king?
- Why do you think God focused these commands on wealth, power and sex?

Skim through 1 Kings 10 as a group

- Share verses in this chapter that demonstrate Solomon ignored God's commands in Deuteronomy 17.
- Speculate: how did Solomon justify making those choices?
- How are the ways Solomon justified his choices similar to how we justify our sin?

Read: Deuteronomy 17:18-20

- Why do you think God told Moses to give these explicit instructions?
- What is it about the king copying down God's law and reading it daily that helped the king remain faithful?
- What lessons are there in these instructions for us?
- What decisions do you need to make to ensure you don't follow the same path of disappointment and failure that Solomon did?

Prayer: Ask God to help you learn from the biblical examples we're studying in *Immerse Kingdoms* so you don't repeat their failures.