Small Group Questions for April 23rd, 2017

Series: E38. Understanding Gods story, their story and your story.

1 Kings 1-8; 10-11

Opening Questions:

* How was everybody’s Easter, any good reports?
* If you could have dinner with 4 people, living or dead, who would It be and what would you serve? And answer why to both questions.

Today’s message was about the Spiritual erosion of both the nation of Israel and the kings of Israel, especially Solomon. Feel free to share takeaways and thoughts about the content of the message.

1. Solomon was a king who had it all on the outside, yet was crumbling spiritually on the inside. Why do you think Solomon allowed curtain areas of sin to continue in his life?

2. God granted Solomon and the Nation of Israel prosperity. What are the temptations spiritually that comes naturally with prosperity? And are things bad in and of themselves? Or is there an internal issue we need to address?

3. What is the difference between spiritual struggle and spiritual ‘sloth’ that leads to eventual erosion?

4. Why do you think Solomon chose not to have a form of accountability in his life? Do you think his place of importance had anything to do with it?

5. Jerry Bridges says, “The Bible is not so much about information, but about revealing who God is and His will for us, and our lives changing in conduct so we live out what the Bible says.” How could that apply to Solomon? How could it apply to us?

How can we pray for each other?