

**Series: Everyday Bible for Everyday People**

**Title: Developing your Inner Circle**

**Text: (1 Kings 12:1-20)**

**We all need Advice~Counsel.**

(Prov 11:14)(Prov 15:22)

**B/c We don't see from all points of View:** (Prov 1:5)

**B/c We Don't have all the Information:**

**B/c We are prone to living to please the flesh:**

(Prov 16:2,25)

**B/c We are prone to make decisions based on what we see or experience, rather than by principles:**

(Judges 17:6)(Prov 12:15)

**B/c of our Pride!** (Prov 16:18)(Is 5:21)(Jer 17:9)

**Bad Counsel is just as bad as No counsel**

Eve & Satan

– Gen 3:1-7

Amnon & Jonadab (his Cousin)

- 2 Sam 13:1-7

Hanun & His Princes

- 2 Sam 10:1-6

Rehoboam & his peers (1 Kings 12:1-11) (1 Cor 15:33)

**God commands us to live by principle/faith:** (Heb 11:6)

(Prov 3:7)(2 Cor 5:7)

**God promises to bless us by Godly counsel:** (Ps 1:1-3)

(Prov 19:20)

**God Promises Safety:** (Prov 11:14)(Prov 24:6)

**God promises to make us wise:** (Prov 12:15) (Prov 23:7)

(Ps 33:10)(Prov 24:6)

**Who should we have in our INNER CIRCLE?**

1. **GOD:** Pray (Prov 1:24-33) ASK GOD 1<sup>st</sup>.

**#1 Rule,** No matter who you talk to, line it up with Scripture (Is 8:20)(Prov 1:7)

2. **Godly People:** (Ps 1:1-3)(Heb 13:7)

3. **Creative People:** They look from different view

4. **Loyal People:** (Prov 17:17)

***Parents:*** (Prov 1:8-9)

***Sibling:***

5. **Wise People:** (Prov 13:20)(Prov 1:7) (Josh 1:8) (Ps 37:37)

6. **Intelligent People:** (Prov 15:2)

7. **People with Complementary Gifts:**

8. **People with Integrity:** (Prov 22:29)

9. **People with Love for you:** (Prov 27:5-6)(Ecc 7:5)

**I. We must seek these people out:** (Ps 37:37)

**II. We must develop a relationship with them:**

**III. We must pick several & add more:**