

When God has the final say in your life, He will always you on take the right path.

### 1. Decision

2 Chronicles 10:4-5 (NLT) - "Your father was a hard master," they said. "Lighten the harsh labor demands and heavy taxes that your father imposed on us. Then we will be your loyal subjects."

<sup>5</sup>Rehoboam replied, "Come back in three days for my answer." So the people went away.

Proverbs 3:5-6 (NLT) - Trust in the LORD with all your heart; do not depend on your own understanding.

<sup>6</sup>Seek his will in all you do, and he will show you which path to take.

### 2. Discussion

2 Chronicles 10:6-7 (NLT) - Then King Rehoboam discussed the matter with the older men who had counseled his father, Solomon. "What is your advice?" he asked. "How should I answer these people?"

<sup>7</sup>The older counselors replied, "If you are good to these people and do your best to please them and give them a favorable answer, they will always be your loyal subjects."

2 Chronicles 10:10-11 (NLT) - The young men replied, "This is what you should tell those complainers who want a lighter burden: 'My little finger is thicker than my father's waist! Yes, my father laid heavy burdens on you, but I'm going to make them even heavier! My father beat you with whips, but I will beat you with scorpions!'"

Acts 5:29 (NLT) - But Peter and the apostles replied, "We must obey God rather than any human authority."

### 3. Destiny

2 Chronicles 10:16 (NLT) - When all Israel realized that the king had refused to listen to them, they responded, "Down with the dynasty of David! We have no interest in the son of Jesse. Back to your homes, O Israel! Look out for your own house, O David!" So all the people of Israel returned home.

2 Chronicles 12:1 (NLT) - But when Rehoboam was firmly established and strong, he abandoned the Law of the LORD, and all Israel followed him in this sin.

John 10:27-28 (NLT) - "My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. <sup>28</sup>I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one can snatch them away from me."

## Study Guide

1. Who do you find yourself turning to for advice the most?
2. Do you believe they can always guide you on the right path? Why or why not?
3. No human being is perfect, so no advice is always perfect. Do you believe that Jesus can guide you on the right path? Why or why not?
4. Jesus lived a sinless life, free of mistakes. He always took the right path because he listened to God the Father. If we give Jesus the final says in our lives, we will always take the right path.
5. Say this prayer today and accept Jesus as the final authority in your life: "Dear God, I know I have made mistakes and have sinned against you. Please forgive me for all my wrongs. Jesus come into my heart and be my Lord and Saviour. I want you to have the final say! Amen."