



## The Wisdom of Counsel 1 Kings 12

### Paradox:

People resist taking cues from people who have arrived at the right destination, but seem quick to follow the map of someone who's never been where they want to be.

Whose maps am I borrowing from?

Why did I choose the maps I'm following?

Am I just moving with the herd?

Did I seek out advice from someone older and wiser?

A wise man will hear and increase in learning, and a man of understanding will acquire wise counsel. (*Proverbs 1:5, NASB*)

The way of a fool is right in his own eyes but a wise man is he who listens to counsel. (*Proverbs 12:15, NASB*)

Pride only leads to arguments, but those who take advice are wise. (*Proverbs 13:10, NCV*)

Listen to advice and accept correction, and in the end you will be wise. (*Proverbs 19:20, NCV*)

Without wise leadership, a nation falls; with many counselors, there is safety. (*Proverbs 11:14 NLT*)

Plans fail for lack of counsel, but with many advisers they succeed. (*Proverbs 15:22, NIV*)



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### Two truths:

1. Wise people \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Fools \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_.

### 3 Quick lessons:

1. I am wise to \_\_\_\_\_.
2. I am wise to see advice from those who are \_\_\_\_\_ down the path than \_\_\_\_\_.
3. I won't hear the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ if I'm not really \_\_\_\_\_ for it to begin with.

### Two powerful pieces of wisdom:

1. I will \_\_\_\_\_ get to the place where I no longer need \_\_\_\_\_.
2. I will never reach my \_\_\_\_\_ without tapping into the wisdom of \_\_\_\_\_.