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Series: The Principle of the Path **Today's Message:** Life's GPS

Imagine: <u>Starting Location</u> : distrust in marriage, huge debt, playing blame game. <u>Ending Location</u> : Loving, debt free, best friends forever.
Imagine: Starting Location: lazy, out-of-control kids, totally blind to their blindness. Ending Location: Jesus passionately, following God's plan, full of wisdom.
Lazer Focus: "Direction - not determines our destination." ~Andy Stanley
Life's GPS
1. Right Maps, Wrong Maps
AMAZING: Parents who parent like their parents and why their kids are turning out Couples who treat each other the same way their moms and dads treated each other and why they're just as unhappy as
The Herd Assumption: When you that since everybody is doing it - it must be right.
CRAZY: people who have a good idea where they want to be but are content to follow a map used by people Who Have Never Been There!!
When You're Up To Your Eyeballs in Trouble: <u>2 Chronicles 20:12</u> "We do not know what to do, but our eyes <u>are on You</u> ."
* Embrace God's : 2 Chronicles 20:15 "Do not be afraid for the battle is not yours but God's."
* Enlist God's : 2 Chronicles 20:13 "And Judah stood before the Lord with their little ones"
2 Chronicles 20:22 "And when they began to sing and praise, the Lord set an ambush against…"
\Rightarrow Reject the idea that you have all the answers (people's expectations) - admit "I Don't Know"
2. Pulling Over
Proverbs 1:5 "A wise man <u>will hear</u> and <u>increase in learnin</u> g, and a man of <u>understanding will acquire</u> wise counsel."

Solomon's Son, King Rehoboam Makes Two Wise Choices:

victory."

- 1. He <u>asks time</u> to decide <u>1 Kings 12:5</u> "... Go away for three days, then come back to me."
- 2. He <u>sought assistance</u> in making the decision <u>1 Kings 12:6</u> "Then Rehoboam <u>took counsel</u> of the old

<u>Proverbs 19:20</u> "<u>Listen</u> to <u>counsel</u> and <u>accept</u> discipline, that you may <u>be wise</u> in the <u>rest of your days</u>."

<u>Proverbs 11:14</u> "Where there is <u>no quidance</u> the <u>people fall</u>, but in <u>abundance</u> of <u>counselors</u> there is

men, who had stood before Solomon."

 \Rightarrow Rehoboam was <u>not</u> simply making a decision, he <u>was choosing path</u>.

Two Truths:

- 1. No one gets to the place where he no longer needs wise counsel.
- 2. You will never reach your full potential without tapping into the wisdom of others.
- ⇒ Don't Fake It Don't Pretend Pull Over and Ask