

SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY · STUDY SHEET

Movement IV · Unmet Needs Become Chaos

The Kingdom Split

The series question: "*And who is my neighbor?*" (Luke 10:29)

1 KINGS 12:7 And they spoke to him, saying, If you are servant to this people today, and will serve them, and answer them and speak to them good words, then they will be servants to you all the days.

READ ALONG: 1 Kings 12:1–20

Follow along

1. What do the people ask for, and what do they offer in return?

2. What do the elders advise, and what do the young men advise?

3. What had Solomon's reign been like for ordinary people?

4. When have you seen a leader refuse a reasonable request and lose people?

5. Why does a show of force feel strong to the one using it?

6. Is listening a sign of weakness or of strength?

7. Who is asking you to lighten their load?

Leave them with

THE ONE QUESTION

Whose reasonable request are you refusing?

- 1. Whose counsel do you go to when you want to be told you are right?
- 2. What would it cost you to serve the people under you today?

The empty chair. Every week one chair at our table stays empty. It is for the person you would never invite.

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