WHEN A KING DID NOT GIVE GOD HIS BEST

2 Chronicles 12:1-16

Introduction:_____

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Look with me at the problems that plague the life of Rehoboam:

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I. FIRST, NOTICE HIS PROBLEM WITH _____ (1 Chronicles 12:1).

God is not looking for people like him . . .

A. First, He is looking for people who _____ their dependence upon Him (John 15:5; Philippians 4:13).

B. Secondly, He is looking for people who _____ to walk in obedience to Him (John 14:15; 1 John 2:3-6).

C. Thirdly, He is looking for people who long to _____ the lost and bring them to the knowledge of Jesus (Matthew 5:16; Ephesians 2:10).

II. SECONDLY, NOTEE HIS PROBLEM WITH _____ (1 Chronicles 12:3-9).

III. THIRDLY, CONSIDER HIS PROBLEM WITH _____ (2 Chronicles 12:1, 6, 10, 12).

CONCLUSION: Every day we live, we are engaged in a battle with relentless enemies:

A. First, the WORLD seeks to _____ us into its mold (Romans 12:2).
B. Secondly, the FLESH seeks to _____ us and keep us in bondage to it foolish and sinful desires (Galatians 5:16-17).
C. Thirdly, the DEVIL is also looking into inroads from which he can _____ and _____ all the good in our life and testimony (1 Peter 5:7; Ephesians 4:27; James 1:14).

IV. FOURTHLY, THINK ABOUT HIS _____(2 Chronicles 12:9-11).

CONCLUSION: We are guilty of offering God some ***"Instead ofs'"*** as well. Note just a few:

1. **First, when we _____ in human effort *"Instead of"*** _____ power.
2. **Secondly, when we live _____ lives *"Instead of"*** _____.
3. **Thirdly, when we live in _____ *"Instead of"* lives committed to the Lord.**
4. **Fourthly, when we are _____ with the substitute *"Instead of"*** the genuine.
5. **Fifthly, when we know we should be _____ in soul willing *"Instead of"* of humbling ourselves before the Lord, repenting, praying for His power to make us witnesses to our family, friends and all others.**