

## Deeper Life Notes

Character: Influence (2 Kings 11:1-12:2)

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### WARM UP

What can someone like you do? How do you *influence* others, for better or worse?

**The believer's influence:** Matthew 5:16, 2 Corinthians 3:1-2, 5:20-21, 1 Thessalonians 4:11-12, Jude 22

### READ

#### 2 Kings 11:1-12:2

1. We can influence others for their \_\_\_\_\_<sup>1</sup>

**a) by taking life**

(Athaliah - 2 Kings 11:1-3, Matthew 5:21, Exodus 20:13)

**b) by being a bad example**

(2 Chronicles 2:3-4, Numbers 31:16, 1 Kings 12:8,28, Job 2:9, 1 Corinthians 15:33)

**Know:** we all mess up! (Romans 3:23)

**Agree** with God that we mess up (1 John 1:9)

**Turn** from harmful/hurtful attitudes and actions (Acts 3:19)

*\*Is there one harmful or hurtful attitude you can turn from today?!?*

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<sup>1</sup> harm

## 2. We can influence others for their \_\_\_\_\_.<sup>2</sup>

**a) by protecting & preserving life** (Jehosheba, Jehoiada, captains...)

\*Is there someone under your influence who needs to be hidden/protected/kept safe?

**b) by promoting God's anointed**

\*Is there someone under your influence who needs to be honored (spouse, authority figure)?

**c) by teaching God's word (chief priest, 2 Kings 12:2)**

see also Psalm 19:7-14, 119:97-105, Proverbs 1:1-3

\*Is there someone under your influence who needs to hear God's word?

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- Joshua 1:8 ESV

"History is changed when one person asks, 'What can someone like me do?'"

-Annie Sullivan

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<sup>2</sup> holiness