9 Ways to Mess Up Your Life (#5)

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¹ King Solomon, however, loved many foreign women besides Pharaoh's daughter–Moabites, Ammonites, Edomites, Sidonians and Hittites. ² They were from nations about which the Lord had told the Israelites, "You must not intermarry with them, because they will surely turn your hearts after their gods." Nevertheless, Solomon held fast to them in love. ³ He had seven hundred wives of royal birth and three hundred concubines, and his wives led him astray. ⁴ As Solomon grew old, his wives turned his heart after other gods, and his heart was not fully devoted to the Lord his God, as the heart of David his father had been. 1 Kings 11:1-4 (NIV)

With his focus on how marriage would strengthen his economic and political standing, Solomon paid no attention to how his wives impacted his heart and character

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Walk with the wise and become wise, for a companion of fools suffers harm. Proverbs 13:20 (NIV)

My relationships will draw me closer to or push me further from God. I must choose my closest relationship wisely.