

LORD OF THE KINGS

Solomon and the Split

1 Kings 2 - 11

So far in the Series:

1. Theocracy to a Monarchy – Beware all Who Enter Adam to Samuel
2. The First Two Kings & The KING of Hearts Saul & David

Tonight:

3. Solomon and the Split Solomon

1 Kings 2:1-4 David's Words of Wisdom to Solomon

1 Kings 2:4 that the Lord may fulfill His word which He spoke concerning me, saying, 'If your sons take heed to their way, to walk before Me in truth with all their heart and with all their soul,' He said, 'you shall not lack a man on the throne of Israel.'

* Obedience flows from a Loyal Heart

1 Kings 3:1-14 Solomon's Request

1 Kings 3:9 Therefore give to Your servant an understanding heart to judge Your people, that I may discern between good and evil. For who is able to judge this great people of Yours?"

1 Kings 4:26 Small Glimpse

1 Kings 4:26 Solomon had forty thousand stalls of horses for his chariots, and twelve thousand horsemen.

1 Kings 4:29-34 God's Blessings on Solomon

1 Kings 4:29 And God gave Solomon wisdom and exceedingly great understanding, and largeness of heart like the sand on the seashore.

1 Kings 5-7 Construction of Temple & Other Buildings

1 Kings 6:38 And in the eleventh year, in the month of Bul, which is the eighth month, the house was finished in all its details and according to all its plans. So he was seven years in building it.

1 Kings 8:57-61 Ending of Solomon's Dedication Prayer

1 Kings 8:58 that He may incline our hearts to Himself, to walk in all His ways, and to keep His commandments and His statutes and His judgments, which He commanded our fathers.

1 Kings 8:61 Let your heart therefore be loyal to the Lord our God, to walk in His statutes and keep His commandments, as at this day."

1 Kings 9 Solomon Blesses the People

1 Kings 10 Queen of Sheba

1 Kings 11:1-13 Solomon's Women & Wives

1 Kings 11:4 For it was so, when Solomon was old, that his wives turned his heart after other gods; and his heart was not loyal to the Lord his God, as was the heart of his father David.

1 Kings 11:14-26 God Raises up Adversaries

1 Kings 11:27- 36 Prophecy of the Split

1 Kings 11:31 And he said to Jeroboam, “Take for yourself ten pieces, for thus says the Lord, the God of Israel: ‘Behold, I will tear the kingdom out of the hand of Solomon and will give ten tribes to you

Keys to Solomon’s Life (from the Books He Wrote)

1. **Song of Solomon 6:8-9** There are sixty queens And eighty concubines, And virgins without number. My dove, my perfect one, Is the only one, The only one of her mother, The favorite of the one who bore her. The daughters saw her And called her blessed, The queens and the concubines, And they praised her.
* God’s intent is only one!

2. Proverbs 1:1-8

1. V1-6 – Purpose of Proverbs
2. V7 – 1st Wise Saying (I want you to learn what I spent my whole life to find out.)
3. V8 – 2nd Wise Saying (Man, if I had only listened to my day & learned from his mistakes.)
4. V10 – 3rd Wise Saying (Been there, done that, it’s not worth it!)

3. Ecclesiastes

1. All about vanity – uses “heart” 41 times/12 chapters, “my heart” 12 times/2 Chapters
2. Conclusion of his whole life:

Ecclesiastes 12:13-14 Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God and keep His commandments, For this is man’s all. For God will bring every work into judgment, Including every secret thing, Whether good or evil.

Applications from Solomon’s Life:

1. What will split a nation will split a man/woman, marriage, family and friends.

Matthew 6:24 “No one can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or else he will be loyal to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon.

2. Whatever rules our hearts, rules us!

1 John 2:15-17 Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—is not of the Father but is of the world. And the world is passing away, and the lust of it; but he who does the will of God abides forever.

3. God’s Word is Truth!

Deuteronomy 17:17 Neither shall he multiply wives for himself, lest his heart turn away; nor shall he greatly multiply silver and gold for himself.

1 Kings 11:3 And he had seven hundred wives, princesses, and three hundred concubines; and his wives turned away his heart.

John 17:17 Sanctify them by Your truth. Your word is truth.