

The King Who Had It All

Day One – Solomon the Wise

Today's reading: Page 175 through break on page 183

This reading covers: 1 Kings 1-4; Proverbs 1-3, 6, 20-21

Summary: Solomon chooses wisdom.

Consider this:

Can you imagine God giving you the opportunity to ask him for anything you want? What would you ask for? Long life, peace, love, wealth? Solomon was given just this opportunity. He passed on all those requests and instead asked God to give him a discerning, understanding heart. What would it look like if God gave that to you? How would that impact your choices and the way you live day-to-day?

For further reading: 1 Corinthians 1:18-25; Ephesians 1:15-17; James 1:5-8; 3:13-18

Prayer:

Father, truly give me the gift of your wisdom. Help me to live each day with a discerning and understanding heart. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Day Two – God Fills His Temple

Today's reading: Break on page 183 through break on page 189

This reading covers: 1 Kings 5-9; 2 Chronicles 5-7

Summary: God comes to live among his people.

Consider this:

What would the presence of God in his Temple have been like? The Bible says that fire came down and the glory of the Lord filled the Temple. How would you have responded to this? How do you relate this to the New Testament understanding that we are the temple of God?

For further reading: 1 Corinthians 3:16-17; 6:19-20; Ephesians 2:19-22

Prayer:

Father, you chose to live among the people of Israel by residing in the Temple. Today, you choose to live among us by residing in our lives. Help us to honor your presence by the way we live. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Day Three – The Bigger You Are...

Today's reading: Break on page 189 through end of chapter

This reading covers: 1 Kings 10-11

Summary: Solomon had it all, but his heart turned away from God.

Consider this:

Solomon had it all, but foreign wives turned his heart from God. What has the potential of pulling you away from following God? What are you doing to keep that from happening?

For further reading: Psalm 119:33-40; Proverbs 7:1-27; Jeremiah 17:9; Hebrews 3:12-13

Prayer:

Father, help me to guard my heart. Help me to keep my heart fully turned to you. Continue to guide and direct my steps. In Jesus' name, Amen.