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2 Chronicles

C1

30 Vss 1-17 Solomon gathers all the elders at Gibeon where the tent of meeting is located, God ask for his request, he request wisdom, he receives wealth

Commentary: Well established in this commentary concerning this experience. Solomon requests wisdom. God adds wealth and other resources because He was made first or the care for His people .

2 vss 1-18. Solomon call to Hiram of Tyre his dad's friend for temple expertise as materials, Hiram blesses The Lord and the opportunity to help, sends Hiram-Abi a Danite and Tyrian,

Commentary: Solomon calls for his dad's friend showing his wisdom. It's particularly noteworthy that the king of Tyre praises God because of what he has seen in David and Solomon. It demonstrates how others who see us become believers.

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C3-5

C3 Vss 1-19 Solomon begins construction of the temple, in Jerusalem on Mt. Moriah, made the rooms, holy of Holies, internal structure, pillars, mll

C4 Vss All of the fixtures, basins, spoons made to specific size and portion

C5 Vss. The temple was completed, Solomon moved all the resources his father stored into the temple, moved the ark within, called for all the elders, a sacrifice of animals so great it coils not be numbered.

Commentary: The same details and specificity required for the tabernacle are applied to the temple. The detail, intensity and beauty of the temple and the Levitical system are a physical representation of what and how Jesus atones and represents each and all.

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C6-8

C6 Vss 1-42 Solomon prayed, I have built a temple, he turned to people, he told my father, I never chose a city, or a king, but now I have chosen Jerusalem and David, then Solomon before the alter prayed, lifted his hands to heaven, God there is none like you, you have kept your promise, even highest heavens cannot contain you, if I, if they turn back to you, if no rain or famine because of sin, if they fight, if they... Return to you, forgive your people

Commentary: This is a repeat of the account in Chronicles. It is another great gathering of God's people for worship, sacrifice and dedication. The importance of dedicating anything to service is so important.

C7 Vss 1-22. When he finished praying fire flashed from the sky and burned the burnt offerings, the people fell and worshipped, they all offered sacrifices, the Levites and his faithful love endures forever, celebrated festival of shelters in 23 day of seventh month he sent every rejoicing home, God told Solomon I have heard your prayers, if I send locust or famine of my people called by name humble themselves, cry to me, I hear their cry and heal the land.

Commentary: Prophetic praying almost ensuring that Israel would be a rebellious nation.

C8 Vss 1-18. Solomon finished the house of The Lord and palace twenty years, built cities, Solomon use the people of the land for forced labor, he brought his wife from Egypt to a house he built for her, he didn't want her in the Ark/holy places, Solomon made divisions,

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Commentary: We see signs of trouble for Solomon. He makes an arrangement for an Egyptian wife to make sure she's not living around the Holy places. It's an early sign of real problems for him.

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C9-11

C9 Vss 1-31 Again this is a repeat of Kings 10, Solomon richer and wiser than any other king. He ruled over all Israel

C10 Vss 1-19 See comments for Kings 12 , the king Rehoboam paid no attention to the people, this turn of events was the will of God,

C11 Vss 1-23 see Kings 12 commentary, the Levites in the northern kingdom abandoned their lands to live in Judah, those who wanted to serve The Lord from all the tribes followed the Levites, this strengthened Judah, they followed for three years,

Commentary 9-11: See commentary for Kings 10-12. It's noteworthy that Levites returned to Jerusalem and others from all the tribes who desired to worship The Lord.

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See 2 Kings 12-15

C12 Vss 1-16. Jeroboam abandoned the Law of The Lord, king Shishak attacked, you abandon me I'm abandoning you said Shemaiah, the leaders humbled themselves

Commentary: Any degree of moving from our commitment to The Lord will not be received with blessings. We must expect correction.

C13 Vss 1~22. War between Judah and Israel, Abijah musters to attack, tells Jeroboam they will be victim because The Lord with them, Jeroboam attempted to attack from behind unsuccessfully,

Commentary: The godly will beat the disobedient-godly most times. There are occasions when the godly must be persistent such as all of Israel against Benjamin (see final chapters of Judges))

C14 Vss 1-15 Asa takes over Abijah over Judah, peace in Judah ten years, Ethiopians attack with one-million, Asa cries out to defeat them, a vast amount of plunder taken,

Commentary: An enemy from afar attacks. Some times challenges come from unforeseen places, but the end result can be the same when we are faithful.

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C15-17

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See 1 Kings 15 Commentary

C15 Vss 1-19. Azariah the prophet goes to Asa and warns to stay with The Lord, abandon-abandon, be strong and courageous your work will be rewarded. He cleanses Israel even grandmother queen

Commentary: If we abandon The Lord we can expect He will let us do as we please. If we move from under His cover with our behavior we can expect life's hail stones.

C16 Vss 1-9 Israel invades Judah, Asa sends treasuries to Ben-Hadaddad, Hanani tells Asa his troubled because he depended on Aram, Asa out the prophet in prison, he also oppressed the people, had a serious foot disease did not seek The Lord but only the physicians, he died in his fortieth year

Commentary: Excellent example of when a dedicated person makes a bad decision A wise man and a little foolishness causes his cologne to become foul (Ecc/Prov

C17 Vss 1-19. Jehoshaphat becomes king, The Lord was with him. In 3rd year sent officials to teach the Law, fear of the Lord fell on the surrounding nations,

Commentary: Jehoshaphat' campaign represents what happens when believers thoroughly prepare themselves with God's word. It is a warning to the enemy.

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C18-20

See 1 Kings 16 Commentary

C18 Vss 1-34 Jehoshaphat enjoyed great riches, alliance with Ahab, his son married Ahab's daughter, Ahab and Jehoshaphat join forces to recapture Ramoth-Gilead, Jehoshaphat desires word from The Lord, Ahab summons his prophets, Jehoshaphat wants prophet of The Lord, Micaiah warns the alliance, they are defeated and Ahab killed

Commentary: See the 1 Kings 16 Commentary

C19 Vss 1-11 Ahab appoints judges, Jehu son of Hanani went to meet Jehoshaphat asked why do you help the wicked and help those who hate The Lord, The Lord was angry with him,

Commentary: Jehoshaphat placed his earthly relationship with Ahab higher than his spiritual relationship with God. We all have persons we love but we must distance or disassociate with them when they are living in disobedience.

C20 Vss 1-30 the surrounding armies declared war on Jehoshaphat, messengers told Jehoshaphat, terrified, begged The Lord for guidance, everyone fasted, spirit of The Lord

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came upon Jahaziel, don't be afraid, began to sing praise and give thanks, his faithful lives endures forever, cause the enemy to fight among themselves

Commentary: Singing through our threats is only possible when we are living for God. Living in constant fellowship and being pleasing to God does not avoid great threats, but it does ensure that God will be with us even through the valley of death itself.

It's so important to note that the kings of Judah always had something in the land that was not pleasing to God. Some of the shrines might be remaining. But it could be considered a snare as Paul classified them. A snare impedes but a sin stronghold stops the believer altogether.

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C21-23

C21: Vss 1-20. See Kings 8 Commentary

Jehoram was the oldest of Jehoshaphat's sons, Jehoram followed the kings of Israel, he led Jerusalem and Judah to give themselves to Pagan gods, Elisha foretells disaster for Jehoram and his family, he is stricken personally and family taken by Philistines

Commentary: Joram becomes the first king not to follow David's model

C22 Vss 1-12 Azariah becomes king, Athaliah was his grandmother, Ahaziah followed Ahab of Israel, Ahaziah killed and Athaliah kills all but Joash, Joash hidden for 6 years,

Commentary: Once a poor pattern is set it is difficult to reverse. The problem continues with another corrupt king in Judah. Athaliah used get influence to usurp the throne.

C23 Vss 1-21 Jehoida the priest makes pact with 5 commanders, they all anoint Joash as king, elders, Levites and commanders, Athaliah cries treason, she 's stoned to death, the temple and people restored

Commentary: She cries treason after she has usurped the throne through murder. Satan can't stand be defeated with his own strategies. He cries foul.

C24-26

C24 Vss 1-27. (See 2 Kings 12) Joash rebuilds the temple, funds collected from the people, the temple rebuilt, he reconstituted the taxes Moses set to fund the project, after Jehoida's death elders convince Joash to reverse progress, Spirit of The Lord upon Zechariah the son of Jehoidah, Joash had him stoned to death

Commentary: What a turn of events that Joash would reach a point where he murders the

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son of the priest responsible for saving David's dynasty and making him king. Ministry can be one of the most gut-wrenching and devastating enterprises.

C25 Vss 1-28 Amaziah becomes king of Judah for 29 years, hired troops from Israel to help on battle against Edomites, prophet tells him to get rid of Israel troops, they are successful against Edom, he returns with idols and bows to them, God sends a counselor whom he threatens, Amaziah calls out Israel into battle and is defeated, assassins kill him

Commentary: It's amazing how human beings so easily become puffed up. This is central to the story of God's revelation to humanity. And demonstrates a virtue that must be defeated. Jesus refuses Satan's overtures. What a King Jesus is!

C26 Vss 1-23 Uzziah becomes king for 52 years, he was pleasing to The Lord, as long as he did what The Lord said he was blessed, he defeated his enemies, his victories made him proud, he entered the temple and sacrificed, the priests confronted him in the temple and while he was chastising him he broke out with Leprosy until the day of his death,

Commentary: Here's another picture of a king starting with humility and honor, but reaches a point where he violates God and the priesthood. This pattern of kings becoming so corrupted and prophets being killed is what Jesus said to the religious leaders and people. Our favorite word in this commentary concerning poor conduct is consequences!

C27-29

C27 Vss 1-9

Jotham becomes king and pleased God like his father, except he didn't enter the temple to make a sacrifice.

Commentary: (see 2 Kings 15 Commentary)

C28 Vss 1-27 Ahaz did not do what was pleasing as king of Judah, sacrificed his sons in fire, God allowed enemies to defeat him, Israel was particularly brutal, Oded the prophet told them they were too brutal, all heaven is disturbed, return your relatives, leaders of Israel stop others from coming with more captives,

Ahaz asked Assyria for help, they attacked instead of helping, Ahaz continued to do wrong

Commentary: Ahaz angered God. The pattern is set and results guaranteed when this happens. Ironically, David's dynasty continues. Also, Oded the prophet warns Israel about being too zealous. Success never means that we have a right to exuberance particularly concerning the fall of God's people or program.

As a child I would leave the house when any of my brothers was being disciplined. I knew there were things my parents could recall that could turn the focus to me.

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C29 Vss 1-36. Ahaz died but was not buried in the royal cemetery, Hezekiah was pleasing, instituted reforms, rededicated temple of The Lord (See 2 Kings 18 commentary)

Commentary: (See 2 Kings 18 commentary)

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C30-32

C30 vss1-27. Judah to celebrate Passover a month late, messengers went throughout Judah inviting people to the temple, most people laughed, many of the people had not purified themselves, entire assembly rejoiced, God heard their prayers

Commentary: Hezekiah even after years as the king was consistent with staying the course. He reconstituted Passover. There is a point when we all can stand to go back to the basics.

C31 Vss n after1-21. They went through all the towns and smashed sacred pillars and Asheroth poles, Hezekiah organized the priests and Levites, he made a personal contribution, the people brought offerings in large quantities, plenty left over, Hezekiah did what was pleasing, he sought God with all his heart

Commentary: The revival was extensive. There are those things that need to be removed from our lives. Hezekiah was determined.

C32 Vss 1-33. King Sennacherib invades Judah, Hezekiah and elders stopped water flow into Jerusalem, Hezekiah worked hard to correct walls, (See 2 Kings 18 Commentary), he becomes ill, but humbled himself and God healed him, the difficulty would be upon following generations, when the Babylonians sent ambassadors God withdrew from Hezekiah

Commentary: This experience is in 2. Kings. Concerning his illness this version shows his revealing of treasure to the Babylonians was not wise. It is his pride that caused him to show the treasures of the palace and temple. All would be removed by the Babylonians in the near future.

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C33-35

C33 Vss 1-25. Manasseh 12 we he became king, he reigned 55 years. He did evil, he followed Israel, rebuilt altars and sacrificed his sons, took a carved idol and set it up in the temple, he and the people ignored God, Assyrians capture him and put a ring they his nose, he repented, he launched a revival, Amon becomes king, he did what was evil, he didn't humble himself, he sinned even more, he was assassinated

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Commentary: There is never an exception for a bad boy king. Manasseh is taken captive in the worst way. Whatever it takes to repent is what will happen to us when we dishonor God. We have the juxtaposition of the son who soldiers not repent. He's assassinated. Consequences!

C34 Vss 1-33. Josiah eight years old, he did what was pleasing, he did not turn from doing what was right, he purified Judah, the priest found the book of the law, when Joiah heard the reading he tore his clothes, Huldah the prophet warns then encourages (see 2 Kings 22 Commentary)

Commentary: Josiah apparently learns from the errors of his father and grandfather. He shows we don't have to follow errors of our parents even when we have learned from them directly or indirectly.

C35 Vss 1-27. Josiah celebrated Passover, set apart the Levites to teach all Israel the Law, no need to carry the Ark back and forth, place it in the temple, the most profound Passover since Samuel, Egypt going to another nation to fight is confronted by Josiah, he warns Josiah that has directed him and not to intervene or he (Josiah) will be killed, Josiah insists and is killed in battle

Commentary: Josiah launches an extraordinary revival and reinstated Passover in a massive way. His encounter with Egypt shows how sensitive we need to be to the Lord's voice. It also shows how The Lord can be leading others. God can speak to the hearts of donkeys, great fish, and animals by two. He can certainly speak to persons who may not be in the official family of faith. It's how Abram was called.

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C36

C36 Vss 1-22. Jehoahaz rules in Judah. Reigned three months, deposed by the king of Egypt, installed Eliakim, then Nebuchadnezzar captures Jerusalem, and Jehochin, his son became king, he did evil, Nebuchadnezzar captures "chin", Zedekiah rules his uncle, Jerusalem falls, Babylonians killed men and women young and old, burned Jerusalem, Cyrus of Persia allows the exiles to return (see 2 Kings 24-25).

Commentary: God uses our enemy to correct us, but woe to the enemy who does it. The Persians destroy the Babylonians and God moves in Cyrus' heart. This aligns with God working with the Egyptians. God always desired that the Gentiles would know him.

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