

For the Lord takes delight in his people;
he crowns the humble with salvation.

"THE CORONATION OF SOLOMON"
READ 1 Kings 1:1 - 2:46

DAY 1 - READ 1 Kings 1:1 - 2:46

1. What was meaningful to you in last week's lesson?
2. As Solomon took the throne to establish his kingdom, what "unfinished business" did he attend to in today's reading?
3. Write Proverbs 25:5.
4. What is the value of a "clean slate" in establishing/renewing a close relationship with the Lord?

DAY 2 - REVIEW 1 Kings 1:1-31

5. What were the duties of the beautiful Abishag the Shunammite?
6. Concerning Adonijah's aspirations to be king . . .
 - a. Why was he presumptuous toward David?
 - b. Who supported this move?
 - c. Who did not?
7. What was Nathan's concern and instruction to Bathsheba?
8. a. David may have been aged and ailing, yet Bathsheba dignified his position by asking what in verse 20?
 - b. What are some ways we can help individuals maintain their dignity as they age? Please be specific.
 - c. What do you dread most about the aging process and what Scriptures help you keep it in perspective?
9. a. What was David's private confirmation in verse 30?
 - b. . . . his public confirmation in 1 Chronicles 28:5-7?

DAY 3 - REVIEW 1 Kings 1:32-53

10. Solomon was put on King David's _____ and taken to _____ to be anointed the new king.

11. a. What was Jonathan's report to Adonijah in verses 46-48?

 b. Why do you think the guests dispersed in alarm at this news?

12. a. How did Adonijah try to protect himself from Solomon's expected wrath?

 b. What was Solomon's response?

 c. Forgiven, Adonijah was allowed to go in peace. How does this incident parallel the Christian and Christ when we deserve God's wrath?

DAY 4 - REVIEW 1 Kings 2:1-12

13. a. What promise of God's did David pass on to Solomon?

 b. What does God say in these Scriptures?
 Psalm 119:2

 Proverbs 3:5-6

 Jeremiah 29:13

 Romans 12:1

14. What instruction did David give regarding . . .

 a. . . . Joab?
 b. . . . Barzillai?
 c. . . . Shimei?

15. Where was David buried and how long did he reign?

16. Thinking over the life of David, what part of his life affected you the most and why?

DAY 5 - REVIEW 1 Kings 2:13-46

17. a. Why do you think Adonijah asked Bathsheba to intercede for him?
 - b. What was the outcome in verse 25?
18. How did Solomon deal with Abiathar the priest?
19. a. Why did Solomon decree Joab's death?
 - b. (IN-DEPTH) Share your opinion of Joab and his contributions to the service of King David.
20. What position was given Benaiah?
21. a. What warning was given Shimei?
 - b. What consequence did he suffer for disobedience?
22. a. How would you characterize Solomon's dealings with his enemies in this week's lesson?
 - b. What hope is there today for those who are still enemies of God according to Romans 6:23?

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LECTURE NOTES:

PRAYER REQUESTS: