

“Through the Bible: I Kings 1-4”

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I. A Sons Attempts to Steal the Throne; A Different Son Anointed King (I Kings 1)

- A. King David was old and cold. What did his servants attempt to do to warm up David (I Kings 1:1-4)? _____

- B. Which son of David exalted himself and said, “I will be king” (I Kings 1:5-10)?

1. Joab and Abiathar “_____” Adonijah (I Kings 1:7).
 2. Zadok, Benaiah, Nathan, Shimei and Rei were not with (against) _____ (I Kings 1:8).
- C. Nathan the prophet selected _____ to speak to David about the situation concerning Adonijah (I Kings 1:11-21). Nathan would come in immediately after and confirm the account (I Kings 1:22-27).
- D. David verified, “As the LORD liveth, that hath redeemed my soul out of all distress, Even as I sware unto thee by the LORD God of Israel, saying, Assuredly _____ thy son shall _____ after me, and he shall sit upon my _____ in my stead; even so will I certainly do this day” (I Kings 1:29-30).
- E. Zadok, Nathan and Benaiah, as instructed by the king, “took an horn of _____ out of the tabernacle, and _____ Solomon” (I Kings 1:39).
- F. Meanwhile, Adonijah and his party heard the uproar in the city. They were told “Verily our lord king David hath made _____ king” (I Kings 1:43). Adonijah feared for his life, yet Solomon said “If he will shew himself a _____ man, there shall not an _____ of him fall to the earth: but if wickedness shall be found in him, he shall _____” (I Kings 1:52).

II. David Dies; Solomon Rids Kingdom of Evil; Solomon Asks For Wisdom (I Kings 2-3)

- A. David was nearing death and shared some final words with his son Solomon. Summarize each section below.
1. I Kings 2:1-4 _____

 2. I Kings 2:5-6 _____

 3. I Kings 2:7 _____

 4. I Kings 2:8-9 _____

- B. David “_____ with his fathers” (I Kings 2:10) and Solomon’s kingdom was “established _____” (I Kings 2:12).

- C. What favor did Adonijah seek from Solomon through Bathsheba (I Kings 2:13-18)?

- D. How did Solomon respond to this petition of Adonijah's (I Kings 2:19-25)?

- E. Also, "Solomon _____ out Abiathar from being priest unto the LORD; that he might fulfil the word of the LORD, which he spake concerning the house of _____ in Shiloh" (I Kings 2:27).
- F. Who also met their demise in I Kings 2:28-34? _____
- G. Briefly relate the details of I Kings 2:36-46. _____

- H. Early I Kings 3 finds Solomon loving the Lord and "walking in the statutes of David his father" (I Kings 3:3). It is reported he offered _____ burnt offerings (I Kings 3:4).
- I. In a dream, God said to Solomon, " _____ what I shall _____ thee" (I Kings 3:5). What did Solomon ask for, and did this please God (I Kings 3:9-10)?

- J. What famous example of Solomon's wisdom is found in I Kings 3:16-28?

III. Peace Reigns in Israel; Solomon's Wisdom Becomes Famous (I Kings 4)

- A. I Kings 4:1-6 lists the _____ which Solomon had.
- B. I Kings 4:7 and following records " _____ officers" which "provided _____ for the king and his household: each man his _____ in a year made provision."
- C. "Judah and Israel were _____, as the _____ which is by the sea in multitude, eating and drinking, and making _____" (I Kings 4:20).
- D. It is described, during all the days of Solomon, "Judah and Israel dwelt _____, every man under his vine and under his fig tree, from _____ even to _____" (I Kings 4:25).
- E. "God gave Solomon wisdom and understanding exceeding _____, and largeness of _____, even as the sand that is on the sea shore" (I Kings 4:29). Answer the following questions concerning his wisdom.
1. He was wiser than " _____ men" (I Kings 4:31).
 2. He spake _____ proverbs, and _____ songs (I Kings 4:32).
 3. "And there came of all people to _____ the wisdom of Solomon, from all _____ of the earth, which had heard of his _____" (I Kings 4:34).