

STUDY OF 1st KINGS



LESSON #3



Review



1. Nathan and Bathsheba appeal to David.
2. Solomon is publicly anointed king.
3. Adonijah's rebellion collapses.
4. David gives Solomon his final charge.





In this study:



1. David Prepares Solomon for His Reign (continued...)
2. David dies after reigning forty years.
3. Solomon removes the remaining threats to his kingdom.
4. Solomon's kingdom is firmly established.



David's Instructions

Concerning

Justice and Loyalty

1 Kings 2:5 – 9



DAVID'S INSTRUCTIONS

CONCERNING

JOAB, THE SONS OF BARZILLAI, AND SHIMEI

1 KINGS 2:5-9



1. JOAB – WICKEDNESS MUST BE JUDGED (2:5-6)

- Joab was a brave warrior but shed innocent blood.
- David told Solomon to deal with him according to wisdom.
- Unrepented sin must not be ignored.



JUSTICE UPHOLDS
GOD'S STANDARD.



2. THE SONS OF BARZILLAI – FAITHFULNESS MUST BE REWARDED (2:7)

- Barzillai showed kindness to David during a difficult time.
- David instructed Solomon to show kindness to his sons.
- Faithful service and loyalty should be remembered.



KINDNESS HONORS
FAITHFULNESS.



3. SHIMEI – MERCY MUST BE JOINED WITH ACCOUNTABILITY (2:8-9)

- David had shown mercy to Shimei, but warned Solomon to be cautious.
- Mercy does not mean ignoring disobedience.
- Leaders must balance kindness with wisdom.



WISDOM PROTECTS
THE KINGDOM.



A WISE LEADER KNOWS WHEN TO JUDGE, WHEN TO BLESS,
AND WHEN TO SHOW MERCY.

LEADERSHIP REQUIRES BALANCE

Solomon must learn to:

- i. Punish wickedness
- ii. Reward faithfulness
- iii. Remember mercy
- iv. Exercise discernment
- v. Protect the kingdom



THE DEATH OF KING DAVID



— 1 KINGS 2:10–12 —

*He slept with his fathers and
was buried in the city of David.*
— 1 Kings 2:10



ADONIJAH

MAKES ANOTHER ATTEMPT — UPON THE KINGDOM —



“Why do you ask Abishag the Shunammite for Adonijah? Ask for him the kingdom also.”

— 1 Kings 2:22



Adonijah went to Bathsheba and asked to marry Abishag.
(1 Kings 2:13–15)



Solomon saw the true meaning of his request.
(1 Kings 2:22)



Adonijah’s renewed ambition led to judgment.
(1 Kings 2:23–25)

Acknowledging God’s will is not the same as submitting to God’s will.