

## Bible Study – Outline

### II Chronicles

#### God's King in God's House

#### Summary

#### A Book Of Warning And Encouragement

When God's king walks in the light of God's house, there are blessings throughout the kingdom.

The **rise** and splendor of Israel under King Solomon

The **decline** and captivity of Israel under a succession of mostly evil kings

The lessons and critical warnings for our own lives based on the examples of Solomon and the kings of Israel, physically and in our spiritual lives.

Bad kings – inner temple destruction, idolatry, spiritual and moral weakness

Good kings – cleansing, restoration, peace, posterity

#### What the Temple Symbolizes

1. Religious Authority
2. God's Holiness  
Inspired respect and awe for God
3. Forgiveness
4. God's covenant with Israel  
Helped people focus on God Law – Tablets were kept in the Temple
5. Prepared the people for the coming Messiah  
Christ came to fulfill the law. Heb. 8:1,2 9:11,12
6. A Testimony to human effort and creativity
7. A place of prayer

## Key Scriptures

II Chr. 1:11	Wisdom
II Chr. 2:4-5	The purpose of the Temple
II Chr. 5:3	The dedication of the Temple and The Holy Days (Lev. 23:24)
II Chr. 5:13-14	The Lords presence in the Temple
II Chr. 6:14	Covenant of Love to those who follow with a whole heart
II Chr. 6:16	Promise from God
II Chr. 7:8-10	Keeping of the Feast Days (Lev. 23:34,39) + II Chr. 8:11
II Chr. 7:12-22	Promises from God and forgiveness of sin
II Chr. 8:11	Why Solomon built a palace

II Chr. 9:3-6

The Queen of Sheba declares and confirms the wisdom and wealth of Solomon – an example of showing to others the glory of God.

II Chr. 11:14-17	Priesthood to Jerusalem and Judah for 3yrs
II Chr. 12:1	Rehoboam forsakes God
II Chr.15:2,12-14	Asa – heart in the right place
II Chr. 16:9	- but does a foolish act
II Chr. 20:30-33	Jehoshaphat – good reign over Judah
II Chr. 20:35	Jehoshaphat forms a bad alliance with Ahaziah King of Israel
II Chr. 21:4	Jehoram – kills all his brothers
II Chr. 22:10-11	Athaliah tries to destroy the line of David
II Chr. 24:17-22	

Jehoiada dies – Joash listens to his princes and Judah returns to idolatry

II Chr. 25:2 Amaziah – did what was right but NOT with a perfect heart

II Chr. 26:15-16

Uzziah – builds superior weapons, filled with pride, and burns incense on the altar of God

II Chr. 28:22-25 Ahaz – sins more as his distress increases

II Chr. 33:12-13 Manasseh – turns to God

II Chr. 34:3

Josiah purges idols from the high places and restores Judah to observe the law. The rediscovery of Gods word.

II Chr. 36:15 Fall of Jerusalem and the destruction of the Temple – 586BC

II Chr. 36:23 Cyrus – King of Persia inspired to rebuild the Temple.

## THE BOOK OF II Chronicles

<b>THE REIGN OF KING SOLOMON</b>	<b>1-9</b>
Solomon's reign begins	1
The Building of The Temple	2 - 7
The Glories of Solomon	8 - 9
<b>THE KINGS AFTER SOLOMON</b>	<b>10 - 36</b>
Rehoboam	10 - 12
Abjah	13
Asa	14 - 16
Jehoshaphat	17 - 20
Jehoram	21
Ahaziah, Athaliah, Joash	22 - 24
Amaziah	25
Uzziah	26
Jotham	27
Ahaz	28
Hezekiah	29 - 32
Manasseh and Amon	33
Josiah	34 - 35
Jehoahaz, Jehoiakim, Jehoiachin, Zedekiah	36
The destruction of the Temple, captives taken to Babylon, the proclamation of Israel's return to Jerusalem by Cyrus of Persia	36: 17 - 23

### The Five Reformations and Restorations

King Asa	The principle of Obeying God	II Chr. 15:2, 12-15
King Jehoshaphat	The principle of Teaching	II Chr. 17:7-10
King Joash	The principle of paying what is owed	II Chr. 24:4-5
King Hezekiah	The principle of cleansing the Temple	II Chr. 29:13
King Josiah	The principle of hearing the Word of God	II Chr. 34:14,31

## Discussion Questions

1. What is the result of Solomons prayer (6:14-42)– in his life and the life of the nation?
2. How does the Temple represent a form of evangelism? II Chr. 9 and I Peter 3:15
3. Is decline inevitable in the life of a nation or an individual – why? Or, Why not?
4. How was the line of David preserved from destruction and why is this important? II Chr. 22:10-11
5. What lessons are applicable for us today based on the accomplishments of Uzziah and his attitude? II Chr. 26:15-16
6. The worship of God was abandoned in Israel – resulting in the decline of the social fabric, economy, and military strength. What are some of the parallels of ancient Israel and our world today?
7. Israel turned to idolatry – is there a lesson for us regarding our potential for inner idolatry and what can we do to defend ourselves from this happening.?
8. What is the significance of the 70 years before the re-construction of the Temple – II Chr. 36:21? (Lev. 26:44)

## Resources Used

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