

(D1: The Heart) Lessons for My Heart from Israel's Kings

I. God's Design for Israel

Deuteronomy 17:14-20

- the provision (17:14)
- the pride (17:16,17)
- the prohibitions (17:16,17)
- the prescription (17:18,19)
- the promise (17:20)

II. The Testimony of Israel's Kings

A. Saul

1. The Start (1 Samuel 11:1,4; 6,7; 11)
2. The Warning (1 Samuel 15:3)
3. The Compromise (1 Samuel 15:7-9)
4. The Response to Sin (1 Samuel 15:20-30)
5. The Outcome (1 Samuel 15:26,35; 1 Samuel 31:3,4)

B. David

1. The Start (1 Samuel 17:26, 45,46)
2. The Warning (Deuteronomy 17:17)
3. The Compromise (2 Samuel 11:1-4)
4. Response to Sin (2 Samuel 11:8,10,14-15; 2 Samuel 12:5,7,13; Psalm 51:1,3,4)
5. Outcome (1 Kings 2:1-4)

C. Solomon

1. The Start (1 Kings 3:7,9; 11-13)
2. The Warning (Numbers 33:50,52; Deuteronomy 17:16,17; 1 Kings 2:1-4)
3. The Compromise (1 Kings 3:3b; 1 Kings 10:14,15; 1 Kings 10:26; 1 Kings 11:1-3; Ecclesiastes 2:1,8)
4. Response to Sin (Ecclesiastes 7:26; Ecclesiastes 12:13,14)
5. Outcome (1 Kings 11:11-14, 40; 1 Kings 12:6-20)

III. 8 Lessons for Us From Israel & Their Kings

1. Be wary of pride in seasons of success (1 Peter 5:5)
2. Remember the deceitfulness of your own heart (Jeremiah 17:9)
3. Counsel yourself away from justifying sin (1 Samuel 15:21)
4. Don't confuse external repentance with biblical repentance (2 Corinthians 7:11)
5. Look for the way of escape when faced with a situation in which you have demonstrated weakness (1 Corinthians 10:13)
6. When you do fall into sin, remind yourself that the one who mourns over their sin will be comforted (Matthew 5:4)
7. When faced with sin, remind yourself that the one who thirsts for righteousness will be satisfied (Matthew 5:6)
8. Remember that we cannot conceal anything from God (Proverbs 5:21)