

Passage: 2 Chronicles 1-16

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Discovered:

- Solomon gathered all of Israel & worshipped God @ Gibeon. That night God appeared to Solomon & asked what he could give him. Solomon asked for wisdom. Since Solomon was humble God gave him wisdom, honor, riches & possessions.
- Solomon built the temple & moved the ark into it. God moved into the temple.
- During the dedication of the temple, Solomon prayed that when Israel prayed for forgiveness, that God would forgive them, for he knew their hearts. ♥ Lord heard his prayer.
- Solomon rebuilt & fortified cities throughout Israel. Everyone who was not of Israel was put to work, forced labor.
- Queen of Sheba came with gifts to see if the rumors: wisdom, wealth were true about Solomon. There was no question he could not answer for her; she left impressed.
- Solomon dies after reigning 40 years, kings from all over sought his wisdom.
- Solomon's son, Rehoboam was to be crowned @ Shechem. Israel asked for their load to be lightened but Rehoboam took the counsel of his peers: make the load heavier. Israel revolted, only the tribes of Judah & Benjamin followed Rehoboam.
- Jeroboam led Israel. He kicked out all of the Levites. They came to live in Judah.
- Shishak, King of Egypt attacked Judah because they were unfaithful to God. Even though Judah repented by the time he reached Jerusalem, Shishak took all the treasures from the house of the king & house of God.
- Rehoboam ruled 17 years & did not walk with God.
- Abijah ruled 3 years in Jerusalem. He went to war with Jeroboam. Israel was defeated because they had strayed from God.
- Asa, Abijah's son became king. He walked with the Lord, removed high places & commanded Judah to follow God. Judah had peace for 10 years. Ethiopia attacked but the Lord defeated them.
- Asa obeyed the Lord until year 36. Hanai, the prophet rebuked Asa for not asking God for help, but paid Syria for military aid when Baasha from Israel attacked. There would now be wars.
- Asa ruled 41 years, dying from a foot disease. He sought help from doctors but not God.

Help me to remember:

WE are loved by Him & when Israel/Jordan obeyed they were blessed and protected beyond measure.

Lord, I ask that

You have Your ears open to my prayers, that when I seek forgiveness, You know my heart.

Heavenly Father, I am thankful for . . .

You, for You are good and
Your love endures forever.