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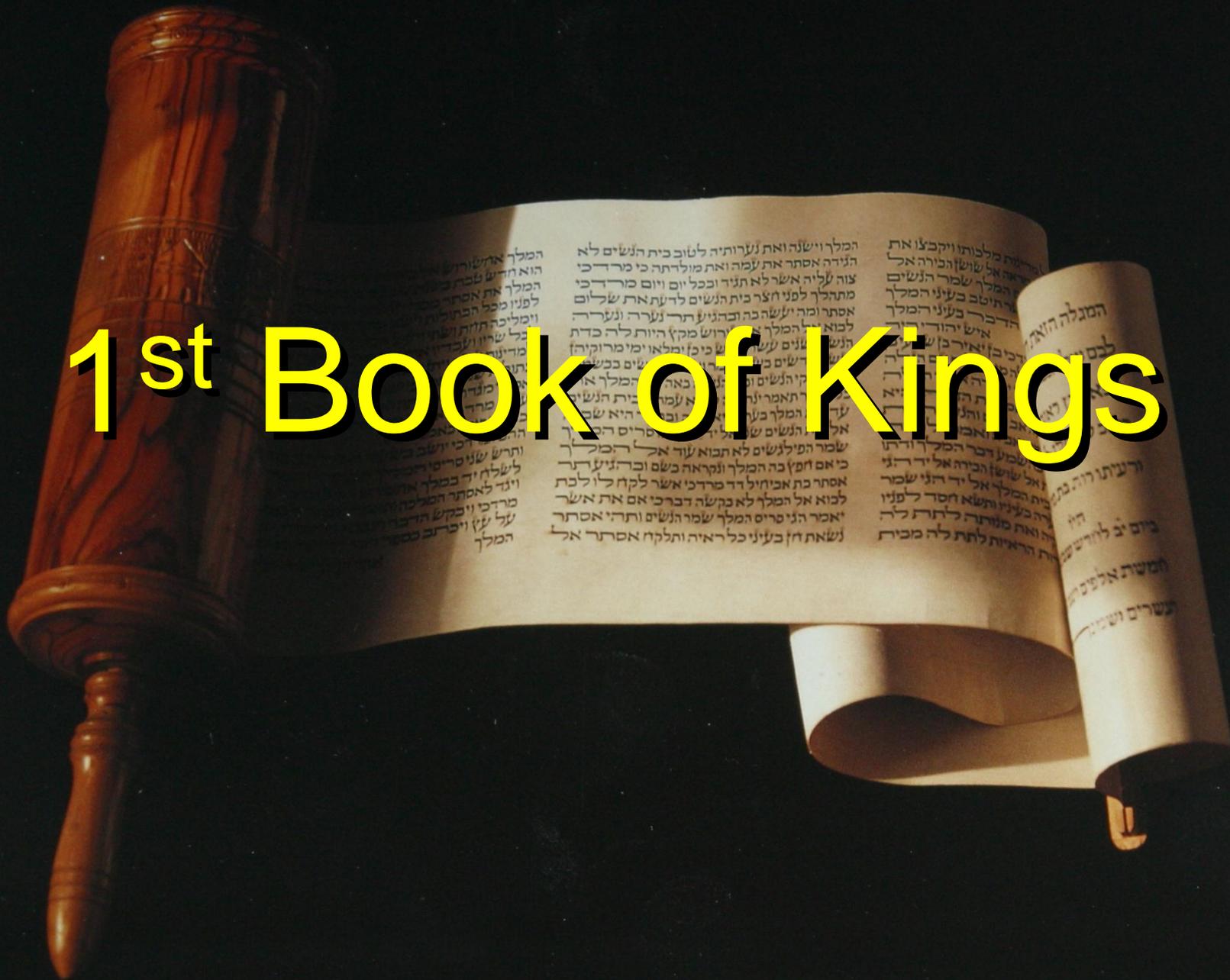
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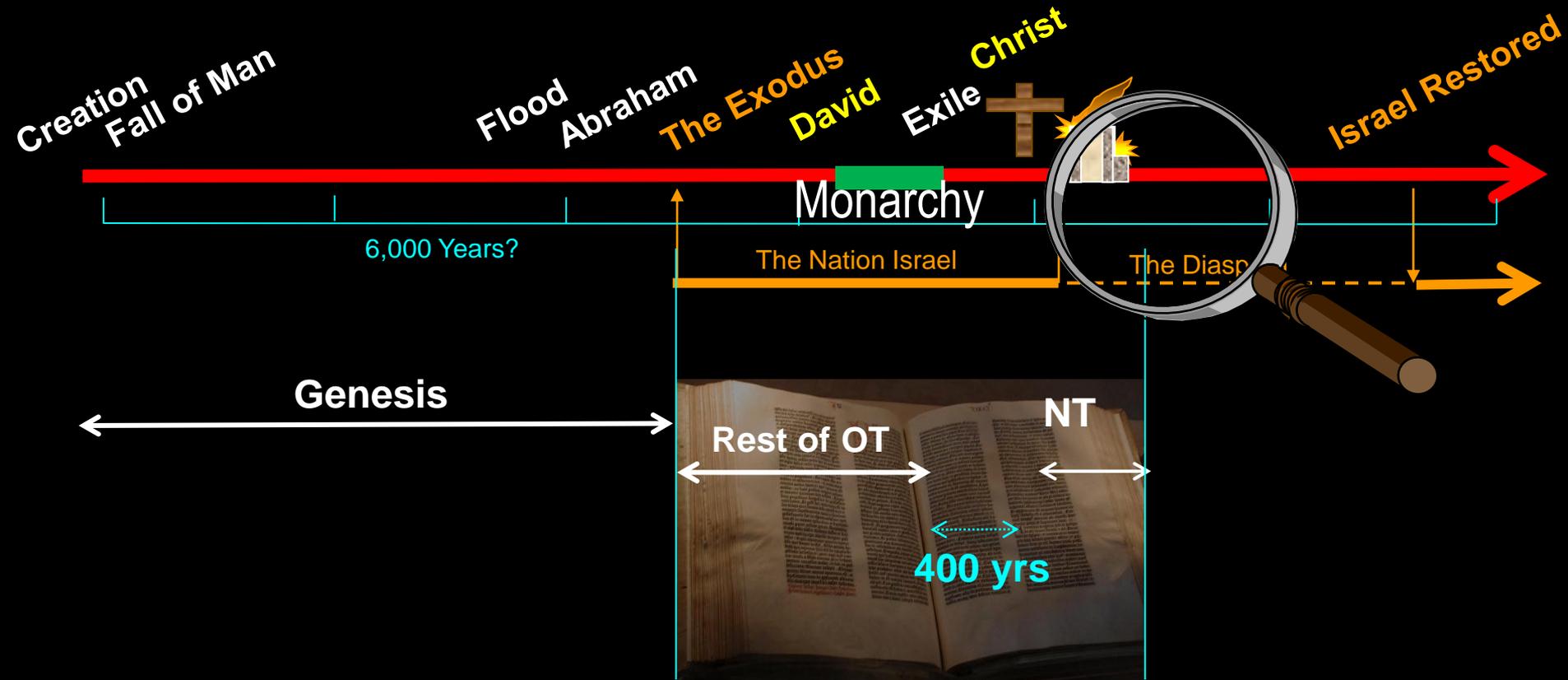
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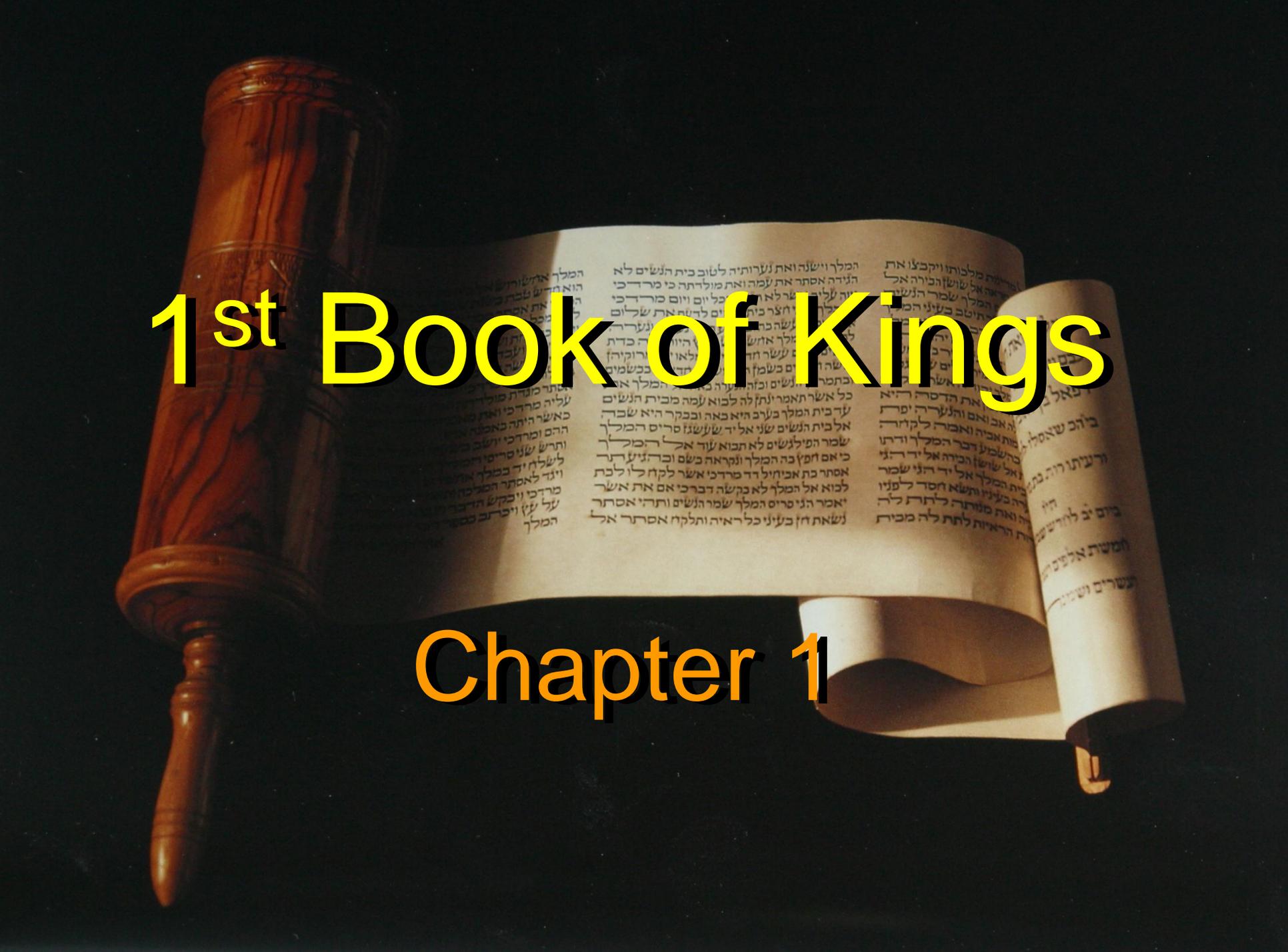
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# 1st Book of Kings



# The Times of the Kings





# 1<sup>st</sup> Book of Kings

## Chapter 1

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- 1 Now king David was old and stricken in years; and they covered him with clothes, but he gat no heat.*
- 2 Wherefore his servants said unto him, Let there be sought for my lord the king a young virgin: and let her stand before the king, and let her cherish him, and let her lie in thy bosom, that my lord the king may get heat.*

**1 Kings 1:1-2**

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*3 So they sought for a fair damsel throughout all the coasts of Israel, and found Abishag a Shunammite, and brought her to the king.*

*4 And the damsel was very fair, and cherished the king, and ministered to him: but the king knew her not.*

**1 Kings 1:3-4**

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<sup>5</sup> Then **Adonijah the son of Haggith** exalted himself, saying, I will be king: and he prepared him chariots and horsemen, and fifty men to run before him.

<sup>6</sup> And his father had not displeased him at any time in saying, Why hast thou done so? and he also was a very goodly man; and his mother bare him after Absalom.

1 Kings 1:5-6

- See 2 Samuel 3:3

# David's Family

## Wives

Michal (Saul's daughter)

Ahinoam →

Abigail (Nabal's widow) →

Macaah (daughter  
of king of Geshur) →

Haggith →

Abital →

Eglah →

Bathsheba →

## Sons

~~Amnon~~

~~Kileab~~

~~Absalom~~

Tamer

Adonijah

Sephetiah

Ithream

Solomon

Nathan

Ibhar

Elishua

Elphelet

Nogah

Nepheg

Japhia

Elishama

Eliada

Eliphelt

+ others by  
concubines

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1 Kings 1:5-6

- cf. Haman (Esther 6:6) / Satan (Isaiah 14:13-14)
- cf. Proverbs 4:23 / “Out of the heart springs...”

# The heart of the issue

- 19** For out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies:
- 20** These are the things which defile a man: but to eat with unwashed hands defileth not a man.

**Matthew 15:19-20**

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*7 And he conferred with Joab the son of Zeruiah, and with Abiathar the priest: and they following Adonijah helped him.*

**1 Kings 1:7**

- Joab – Hero or Villain? He killed Abner, Saul's right hand man in an act of Terrorism
- Abiathar – did he hold a grudge against David for his own family that Saul had killed at Nob?

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<sup>8</sup> But Zadok the priest, and Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, and Nathan the prophet, and Shimei, and Rei, and the mighty men which belonged to David, were not with Adonijah.

1 Kings 1:8

- David's promise to Solomon was widely known

# The Future King

<sup>5</sup> And David said, Solomon my son is young and tender, and the house that is to be builded for the LORD must be exceeding magnificent, of fame and of glory throughout all countries: I will therefore now make preparation for it. So David prepared abundantly before his death.

<sup>6</sup> Then he called for Solomon his son, and charged him to build an house for the LORD God of Israel.

1 Chronicles 22:5-10

# The Future King

*7 And David said to Solomon, My son, as for me, it was in my mind to build an house unto the name of the LORD my God:*

*8 But the word of the LORD came to me, saying, Thou hast shed blood abundantly, and hast made great wars: thou shalt not build an house unto my name, because thou hast shed much blood upon the earth in my sight.*

**1 Chronicles 22:5-10**

# The Future King

*9 Behold, a son shall be born to thee, who shall be a man of rest; and I will give him rest from all his enemies round about: for his name shall be Solomon, and I will give peace and quietness unto Israel in his days.*

*10 He shall build an house for my name; and he shall be my son, and I will be his father; and I will establish throne of his kingdom over Israel for ever.*

**1 Chronicles 22:5-10**

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*9 And Adonijah slew sheep and oxen and fat cattle by the stone of Zoheleth, which is by En-rogel, and called all his brethren the king's sons, and all the men of Judah the king's servants:*

*10 But Nathan the prophet, and Benaiah, and the mighty men, and Solomon his brother, he called not.*

**1 Kings 1:9-10**

# Chapter 1

*11* Wherefore Nathan spake unto Bath-sheba the mother of Solomon, saying, Hast thou not heard that Adonijah the son of Haggith doth reign, and David our lord knoweth it not?

*12* Now therefore come, let me, I pray thee, give thee counsel, that thou mayest save thine own life, and the life of thy son Solomon.

1 Kings 1:11-12

- Nathan realised the significance, that this was an attack on the royal line (of the Seed)

# Chapter 1

**13** Go and get thee in unto king David, and say unto him, Didst not thou, my lord, O king, swear unto thine handmaid, saying, Assuredly Solomon thy son shall reign after me, and he shall sit upon my throne? why then doth Adonijah reign?

**14** Behold, while thou yet talkest there with the king, I also will come in after thee, and confirm thy words.

**1 Kings 1:13-14**

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<sup>15</sup> And Bath-sheba went in unto the king into the chamber: and the king was very old; and Abishag the Shunammite ministered unto the king.

<sup>16</sup> And Bath-sheba bowed, and did obeisance unto the king. And the king said, What wouldest thou?

1 Kings 1:15-16

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*17 And she said unto him, My lord, thou swarest by the LORD thy God unto thine handmaid, saying, Assuredly Solomon thy son shall reign after me, and he shall sit upon my throne.*

*18 And now, behold, Adonijah reigneth; and now, my lord the king, thou knowest it not:*

**1 Kings 1:17-18**

# Chapter 1

*<sup>19</sup> And he hath slain oxen and fat cattle and sheep in abundance, and hath called all the sons of the king, and Abiathar the priest, and Joab the captain of the host: but Solomon thy servant hath he not called.*

*<sup>20</sup> And thou, my lord, O king, the eyes of all Israel are upon thee, that thou shouldest tell them who shall sit on the throne of my lord the king after him.*

**1 Kings 1:19-20**

# Chapter 1

*<sup>21</sup> Otherwise it shall come to pass, when my lord the king shall sleep with his fathers, that I and my son Solomon shall be counted offenders.*

*<sup>22</sup> And, lo, while she yet talked with the king, Nathan the prophet also came in.*

*<sup>23</sup> And they told the king, saying, Behold Nathan the prophet. And when he was come in before the king, he bowed himself before the king with his face to the ground.*

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*<sup>24</sup> And Nathan said, My lord, O king, hast thou said, Adonijah shall reign after me, and he shall sit upon my throne?*

*<sup>25</sup> For he is gone down this day, and hath slain oxen and fat cattle and sheep in abundance, and hath called all the king's sons, and the captains of the host, and Abiathar the priest; and, behold, they eat and drink before him, and say, God save king Adonijah.*

**1 Kings 1:24-25**

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*<sup>26</sup> But me, even me thy servant, and Zadok the priest, and Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, and thy servant Solomon, hath he not called.*

*<sup>27</sup> Is this thing done by my lord the king, and thou hast not shewed it unto thy servant, who should sit on the throne of my lord the king after him?*

**1 Kings 1:26-27**

# Chapter 1

*28 Then king David answered and said, Call me Bathsheba. And she came into the king's presence, and stood before the king.*

*29 And the king sware, and said, As the LORD liveth, that hath redeemed my soul out of all distress,*

*30 Even as I sware unto thee by the LORD God of Israel, saying, Assuredly Solomon thy son shall reign after me, and he shall sit upon my throne in my stead; even so will I certainly do this day.*

# Chapter 1

*31 Then Bath-sheba bowed with her face to the earth, and did reverence to the king, and said, Let my lord king David live for ever.*

*32 And king David said, Call me Zadok the priest, and Nathan the prophet, and Benaiah the son of Jehoiada. And they came before the king.*

**1 Kings 1:31-32**

# Chapter 1

*33 The king also said unto them, Take with you the servants of your lord, and cause Solomon my son to ride upon mine own mule, and bring him down to Gihon:*

*34 And let Zadok the priest and Nathan the prophet anoint him there king over Israel: and blow ye with the trumpet, and say, God save king Solomon.*

**1 Kings 1:33-34**

# Chapter 1

<sup>35</sup> Then ye shall come up after him, that he may come and sit upon my throne; for he shall be king in my stead: and I have appointed him to be ruler over Israel and over Judah.

1 Kings 1:35

- Even before the kingdom was divided, Israel and Judah were distinct

# Chapter 1

*36 And Benaiah the son of Jehoiada answered the king, and said, Amen: the LORD God of my lord the king say so too.*

*37 As the LORD hath been with my lord the king, even so be he with Solomon, and make his throne greater than the throne of my lord king David.*

**1 Kings 1:36-37**

- Benaiah's words were prophetic

# Chapter 1

<sup>38</sup> So Zadok the priest, and Nathan the prophet, and Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, and the Cherethites, and the Pelethites, went down, and caused Solomon to ride upon king David's mule, and brought him to Gihon.

<sup>39</sup> And Zadok the priest took an horn of oil out of the tabernacle, and anointed Solomon. And they blew the trumpet; and all the people said, God save king Solomon.

1 Kings 1:38-39

- David's elite bodyguard

# Chapter 1

*40 And all the people came up after him, and the people piped with pipes, and rejoiced with great joy, so that the earth rent with the sound of them.*

*41 And Adonijah and all the guests that were with him heard it as they had made an end of eating. And when Joab heard the sound of the trumpet, he said, Wherefore is this noise of the city being in an uproar?*

**1 Kings 1:40-41**

# Chapter 1

<sup>42</sup> And while he yet spake, behold, Jonathan the son of Abiathar the priest came: and Adonijah said unto him, Come in; for thou art a valiant man, and bringest good tidings.

1 Kings 1:42

# Chapter 1

*43 And Jonathan answered and said to Adonijah, Verily our lord king David hath made Solomon king.*

*44 And the king hath sent with him Zadok the priest, and Nathan the prophet, and Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, and the Cherethites, and the Pelethites, and they have caused him to ride upon the king's mule:*

**1 Kings 1:43-44**

- Total humiliation to the one who had exalted himself!
- Honour and glory to God's anointed!

# Chapter 1

*45 And Zadok the priest and Nathan the prophet have anointed him king in Gihon: and they are come up from thence rejoicing, so that the city rang again. This is the noise that ye have heard.*

*46 And also Solomon sitteth on the throne of the kingdom.*

**1 Kings 1:45-46**

- Christ too will sit on the Throne of David, all His enemies subdued before Him!

# The Future Kingdom

*I The LORD said unto my Lord, Sit thou at my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool.*

**Psalm 110:1**

- The Father hands the Throne to the Son!

# Chapter 1

*47 And moreover the king's servants came to bless our lord king David, saying, God make the name of Solomon better than thy name, and make his throne greater than thy throne. And the king bowed himself upon the bed.*

*48 And also thus said the king, Blessed be the LORD God of Israel, which hath given me to sit on my throne this day, mine eyes even seeing it.*

**1 Kings 1:47-48**

# Chapter 1

*49 And all the guests that were with Adonijah were afraid, and rose up, and went every man his way.*

*50 And Adonijah feared because of Solomon, and arose, and went, and caught hold on the horns of the altar.*

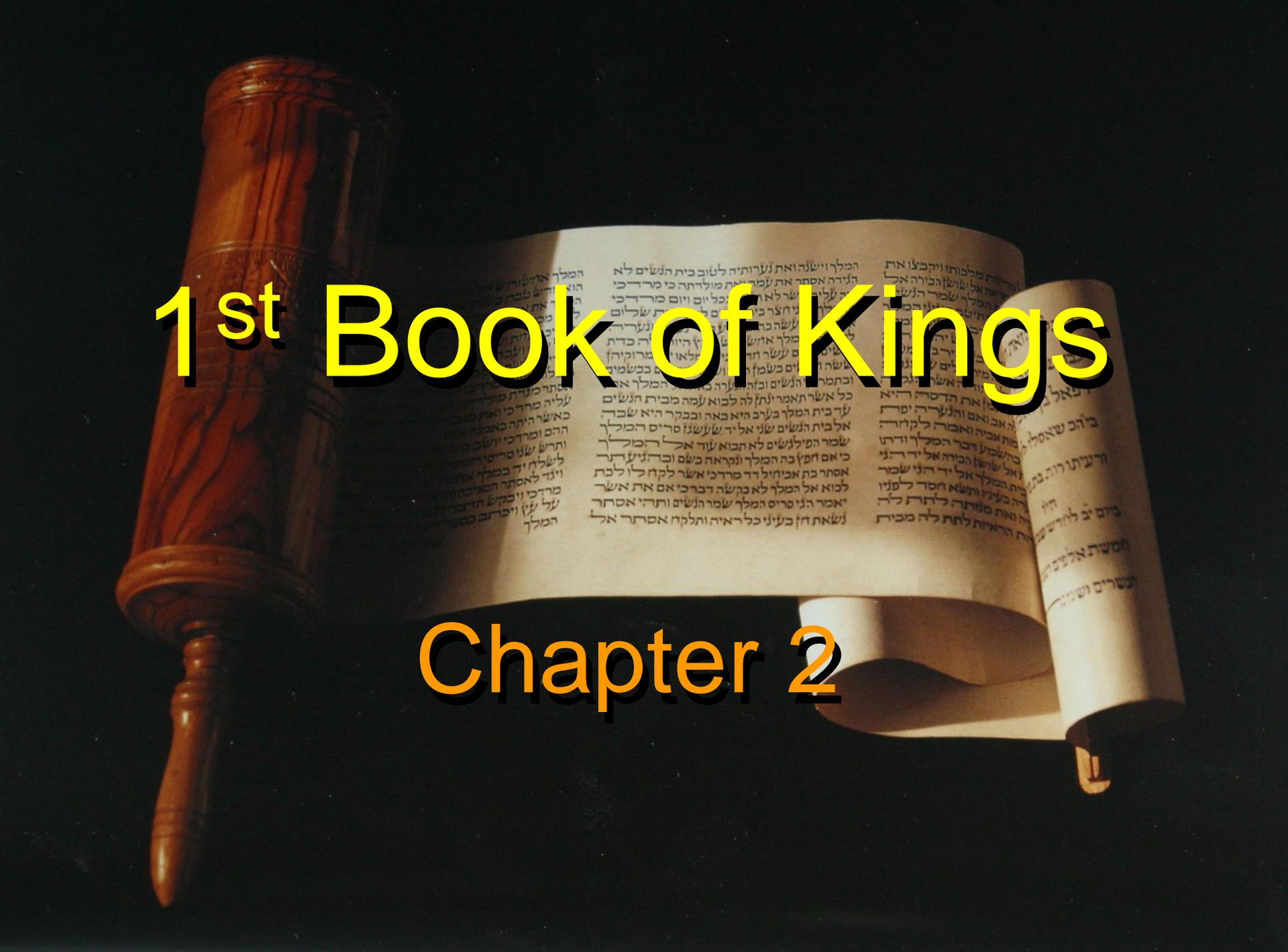
*51 And it was told Solomon, saying, Behold, Adonijah feareth king Solomon: for, lo, he hath caught hold on the horns of the altar, saying, Let king Solomon swear unto me to day that he will not slay his servant with the sword.*

# Chapter 1

*52 And Solomon said, If he will shew himself a worthy man, there shall not an hair of him fall to the earth: but if wickedness shall be found in him, he shall die.*

*53 So king Solomon sent, and they brought him down from the altar. And he came and bowed himself to king Solomon: and Solomon said unto him, Go to thine house.*

**1 Kings 1:52-53**



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## Chapter 2

# Chapter 2

- <sup>1</sup> Now the days of David drew nigh that he should die; and he charged Solomon his son, saying,
- <sup>2</sup> I go the way of all the earth: be thou strong therefore, and shew thyself a man;

1 Kings 2:1-2

# Chapter 2

<sup>3</sup> And **keep the charge of the LORD thy God,** to walk in his ways, to keep his statutes, and his commandments, and his judgments, and his testimonies, as it is written in the law of Moses, that thou mayest prosper in all that thou doest, and whithersoever thou turnest thyself:

1 Kings 2:3

- Deuteronomy 4:40 / 5:1 / 11:1
  - “That I will give you the rain of your land in his due season” (Deut 11:14)

# Chapter 2

*4 That the LORD may continue his word which he spake concerning me, saying, If thy children take heed to their way, to walk before me in truth with all their heart and with all their soul, there shall not fail thee (said he) a man on the throne of Israel.*

**1 Kings 2:4**

# Instructions for a King

- 14** When thou art come unto the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee, and shalt possess it, and shalt dwell therein, and shalt say, I will set a king over me, like as all the nations that are about me;
- 15** Thou shalt in any wise set him king over thee, whom the LORD thy God shall choose: one from among thy brethren shalt thou set king over thee: thou mayest not set a stranger over thee, which is not thy brother.

**Deuteronomy 17: 14-20**

# Instructions for a King

<sup>16</sup> But he shall not multiply horses to himself, nor cause the people to return to Egypt, to the end that he should multiply horses: forasmuch as the LORD hath said unto you, Ye shall henceforth return no more that way.

<sup>17</sup> Neither shall he multiply wives to himself, that his heart turn not away: neither shall he greatly multiply to himself silver and gold.

Deuteronomy 17: 14-20

# Instructions for a King

**18** And it shall be, when he sitteth upon the throne of his kingdom, that he shall write him a copy of this law in a book out of that which is before the priests the Levites:

**19** And it shall be with him, and he shall read therein all the days of his life: that he may learn to fear the LORD his God, to keep all the words of this law and these statutes, to do them:

**Deuteronomy 17: 14-20**

# Instructions for a King

<sup>20</sup> That his heart be not lifted up above his brethren, and that he turn not aside from the commandment, to the right hand, or to the left: to the end that he may prolong his days in his kingdom, he, and his children, in the midst of Israel.

**Deuteronomy 17: 14-20**

# Chapter 2

*5 Moreover thou knowest also what Joab the son of Zeruiah did to me, and what he did to the two captains of the hosts of Israel, unto Abner the son of Ner, and unto Amasa the son of Jether, whom he slew, and shed the blood of war in peace, and put the blood of war upon his girdle that was about his loins, and in his shoes that were on his feet.*

**1 Kings 2:5**

# Chapter 2

<sup>6</sup> Do therefore according to thy wisdom, and let not his hoar head go down to the grave in peace.

<sup>7</sup> But shew kindness unto the sons of Barzillai the Gileadite, and let them be of those that eat at thy table: for so they came to me when I fled because of Absalom thy brother.

**1 Kings 2:6-7**

# Chapter 2

*8 And, behold, thou hast with thee Shimei the son of Gera, a Benjamite of Bahurim, which cursed me with a grievous curse in the day when I went to Mahanaim: but he came down to meet me at Jordan, and I swore to him by the LORD, saying, I will not put thee to death with the sword.*

**1 Kings 2:8**

- 2 Samuel 16

# Chapter 2

*9 Now therefore hold him not guiltless: for thou art a wise man, and knowest what thou oughtest to do unto him; but his hoar head bring thou down to the grave with blood.*

**1 Kings 2:9**

# Chapter 2

*IO So David slept with his fathers, and was buried in the city of David.*

*II And the days that David reigned over Israel were forty years: seven years reigned he in Hebron, and thirty and three years reigned he in Jerusalem.*

**1 Kings 2:10-11**

# Chapter 2

*12 Then sat Solomon upon the throne of David his father; and his kingdom was established greatly.*

*13 And Adonijah the son of Haggith came to Bath-sheba the mother of Solomon. And she said, Comest thou peaceably? And he said, Peaceably.*

*14 He said moreover, I have somewhat to say unto thee. And she said, Say on.*

**1 Kings 2:12-14**

# Chapter 2

**15** And he said, Thou knowest that the kingdom was mine, and that all Israel set their faces on me, that I should reign: howbeit the kingdom is turned about, and is become my brother's: for it was his from the LORD.

**16** And now I ask one petition of thee, deny me not. And she said unto him, Say on.

**17** And he said, Speak, I pray thee, unto Solomon the king, (for he will not say thee nay,) that he give me Abishag the Shunammite to wife.

# Chapter 2

**18** And Bath-sheba said, Well; I will speak for thee unto the king.

**19** Bath-sheba therefore went unto king Solomon, to speak unto him for Adonijah. And the king rose up to meet her, and bowed himself unto her, and sat down on his throne, and caused a seat to be set for the king's mother; and she sat on his right hand.

**1 Kings 2:18-19**

# Chapter 2

*20 Then she said, I desire one small petition of thee; I pray thee, say me not nay. And the king said unto her, Ask on, my mother: for I will not say thee nay.*

*21 And she said, Let Abishag the Shunammite be given to Adonijah thy brother to wife.*

**1 Kings 2:20-21**

# Chapter 2

*22 And king Solomon answered and said unto his mother, And why dost thou ask Abishag the Shunammite for Adonijah? ask for him the kingdom also; for he is mine elder brother; even for him, and for Abiathar the priest, and for Joab the son of Zeruiah.*

*23 Then king Solomon sware by the LORD, saying, God do so to me, and more also, if Adonijah have not spoken this word against his own life.*

**1 Kings 2:22-23**

# Chapter 2

*<sup>24</sup> Now therefore, as the LORD liveth, which hath established me, and set me on the throne of David my father, and who hath made me an house, as he promised, Adonijah shall be put to death this day.*

*<sup>25</sup> And king Solomon sent by the hand of Benaiah the son of Jehoiada; and he fell upon him that he died.*

**1 Kings 2:24-25**

# Chapter 2

*26 And unto Abiathar the priest said the king, Get thee to Anathoth, unto thine own fields; for thou art worthy of death: but I will not at this time put thee to death, because thou barest the ark of the Lord GOD before David my father, and because thou hast been afflicted in all wherein my father was afflicted.*

*27 So Solomon thrust out Abiathar from being priest unto the LORD; that he might fulfil the word of the LORD, which he spake concerning the house of Eli in Shiloh.*

# Chapter 2

*28 Then tidings came to Joab: for Joab had turned after Adonijah, though he turned not after Absalom. And Joab fled unto the tabernacle of the LORD, and caught hold on the horns of the altar.*

*29 And it was told king Solomon that Joab was fled unto the tabernacle of the LORD; and, behold, he is by the altar. Then Solomon sent Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, saying, Go, fall upon him.*

# Chapter 2

<sup>30</sup> And Benaiah came to the tabernacle of the LORD, and said unto him, Thus saith the king, Come forth. And he said, Nay; but I will die here. And Benaiah brought the king word again, saying, Thus said Joab, and thus he answered me.

<sup>31</sup> And the king said unto him, Do as he hath said, and fall upon him, and bury him; that thou mayest take away the innocent blood, which Joab shed, from me, and from the house of my father.

# Chapter 2

<sup>32</sup> And the LORD shall return his blood upon his own head, who fell upon two men more righteous and better than he, and slew them with the sword, my father David not knowing thereof, to wit, Abner the son of Ner, captain of the host of Israel, and Amasa the son of Jether, captain of the host of Judah.

1 Kings 2:32

# Chapter 2

*33 Their blood shall therefore return upon the head of Joab, and upon the head of his seed for ever: but upon David, and upon his seed, and upon his house, and upon his throne, shall there be peace for ever from the LORD.*

*34 So Benaiah the son of Jehoiada went up, and fell upon him, and slew him: and he was buried in his own house in the wilderness.*

**1 Kings 2:33-34**

# Chapter 2

*35 And the king put Benaiah the son of Jehoiada in his room over the host: and Zadok the priest did the king put in the room of Abiathar.*

*36 And the king sent and called for Shimei, and said unto him, Build thee an house in Jerusalem, and dwell there, and go not forth thence any whither.*

**1 Kings 2:35-36**

# Chapter 2

*37 For it shall be, that on the day thou goest out, and passest over the brook Kidron, thou shalt know for certain that thou shalt surely die: thy blood shall be upon thine own head.*

*38 And Shimei said unto the king, The saying is good: as my lord the king hath said, so will thy servant do. And Shimei dwelt in Jerusalem many days.*

**1 Kings 2:37-38**

# Chapter 2

*39 And it came to pass at the end of three years, that two of the servants of Shimei ran away unto Achish son of Maachah king of Gath. And they told Shimei, saying, Behold, thy servants be in Gath.*

*40 And Shimei arose, and saddled his ass, and went to Gath to Achish to seek his servants: and Shimei went, and brought his servants from Gath.*

*41 And it was told Solomon that Shimei had gone from Jerusalem to Gath, and was come again.*

# Chapter 2

*42 And the king sent and called for Shimei, and said unto him, Did I not make thee to swear by the LORD, and protested unto thee, saying, Know for a certain, on the day thou goest out, and walkest abroad any whither, that thou shalt surely die? and thou saidst unto me, The word that I have heard is good.*

*43 Why then hast thou not kept the oath of the LORD, and the commandment that I have charged thee with?*

**1 Kings 2:42-43**

# Chapter 2

*44 The king said moreover to Shimei, Thou knowest all the wickedness which thine heart is privy to, that thou didst to David my father: therefore the LORD shall return thy wickedness upon thine own head;*

*45 And king Solomon shall be blessed, and the throne of David shall be established before the LORD for ever.*

*46 So the king commanded Benaiah the son of Jehoiada; which went out, and fell upon him, that he died. And the kingdom was established in the hand of Solomon.*



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