

4. Who joined Rehoboam out of all Israel, and why (11:13-14)?

5. Who strengthened the kingdom of Judah, and made Rehoboam the son of Solomon strong (11:16-17)?

6. What obvious application of the truth of verses 13-17 can be made for our nation today?

Saturday (November 20)—prayerfully read II Chronicles 12, Rehoboam apostatizes, is defeated by Egypt, and dies ingloriously.

1. When did Rehoboam forsake the law of the LORD (and all Israel with him) (12:1)?

2. In what year of Rehoboam did Shishak the king of Egypt come up against Judah, and what did he take first (12:2-4)?

3. What prophet confronted Rehoboam, and how did the princes and Rehoboam respond (12:5-9)?

4. How did Rehoboam respond to the LORD's chastening, particularly regarding Shishak's looting of the gold shields Solomon had made, and what does this tell us of Rehoboam (12:10-12)?

How did it go in Judah after the LORD's chastening and Judah's humble response?

5. How old was Rehoboam when he died (assuming that he was king until he died), and what reason is given for his doing evil (12:13-16)?

6. How do you suppose that we can prepare our hearts to seek the LORD (verse 14), and are you doing this?

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Solomon, then Rehoboam II Chronicles 7-12

Monday (November 15)—the fire comes down, the people rejoice, and God appears to Solomon a second time (II Chronicles 7).

1. When did the fire of the LORD come down, what did it consume, and what did the glory of the LORD fill (7:1-3)?

2. What instruments did the priests play at the happy celebration of the temple dedication (7:4-6)?

3. Because of the great quantity of sacrifice, what became necessary for Solomon to do (7:7)?

4. How many days was the feast accompanying the dedication of the temple, and how did the people return home (7:8-11)?

5. God appears to Solomon a second time (first time was at Gibeon, II Chr 1:2-14); where is Solomon this time (apparently), and what path does God provide to Solomon for Israel (7:12-16)?

6. What would bring about the downfall of Israel and specifically the magnificent temple just dedicated (7:17-22)?

Tuesday (November 16)—please consider Solomon's reign (II Chr 8).

1. To what did Solomon give himself after twenty years, having completed the house of the LORD and his own house (8:1-6)?

It seems that one of these cities was taken in battle (Hamoth-zobah in verse 3); since Solomon was to be a man of peace, how could we explain this?

2. What did Solomon require of the defeated nations remaining in the land, and in contrast what did he do with the children of Israel (8:8-10)?

3. Who became Solomon's wife, and what reason did he give for building her a separate house (8:11)? _____

4. What "rhythm of worship" did Solomon establish (8:12-15)? (By "rhythm of worship" it is meant intentional regular times to concentrate on worshipping and fellowshiping with God—planned times of renewal.) _____

5. What do you suppose is meant in verse 16 that "all the work of Solomon was prepared unto the day of the foundation of the house of the LORD, and until it was finished"? _____

6. What also did Solomon employ (besides camels, no doubt)? _____

Wednesday (November 17)—**prayerfully** read II Chronicles 9, the queen of Sheba visits, Solomon amasses wealth, and dies.

1. Who visited Solomon and what did she notice (9:1-4)? _____

2. Why were Solomon's men and servants happy, and why did God make Solomon king, according to the queen of Sheba (9:5-8)? _____

3. What did Solomon give to the queen of Sheba (9:9-12)? _____

What did Solomon make of algum trees? _____

4. What metal did Solomon accumulate, and what four or five things did he do with it (9:13-20)? _____

5. What three things were true of all the kings of the earth (9:22-23, 26)? _____

6. How long did Solomon reign over Israel, and where was he buried (9:30-31)? _____

Thursday (November 18)—prayerfully read II Chronicles 10, Rehoboam follows Solomon and foolishly listens to his peers.

1. Where did Rehoboam go to be made king, and who was called out of Egypt to be there (10:1-3)? _____

2. What did the Israelites request of Rehoboam, and what was his immediate response (10:4-7)? _____

3. Contrast the counsel of the old men ("that had stood before Solomon his father while he yet lived") and the counsel of the young men (10:7-11)? _____

4. Did Rehoboam's response to Jeroboam and Israel reflect the counsel of the older or the younger men, and how closely was his response to that counsel (10:12-15)? _____

5. Who seemed to be rejected (the focal point) as Israel "went to their tents," and who was killed proving the seriousness of Israel's rejection (10:16-19)? _____

6. What seems to be the great lesson of this story (10:1-19)? _____

Friday (November 19)—prayerfully read II Chronicles 11, Rehoboam flees back to Jerusalem, and Jeroboam turns to idols.

1. What did Rehoboam do upon fleeing back to Jerusalem, what man of God received a word from the LORD to restrain him, and did Rehoboam heed that word (11:1-4)? _____

2. Where did Rehoboam dwell, what did he build and how many, and in what territory did he build them (11:5-10)? _____

3. What did Rehoboam put in the strong holds (probably the cities of defense just listed), and what did he put in "every several city" (that is, in every city) (11:11-12)? _____
