



### **Monday: 1 Kings 10:14-29**

1. The author increasingly highlights Solomon's wealth and what he does with it. Although these details show us his wealth, what else does it reveal? (See Deut. 17:16-17)
2. Solomon makes economic deals with Egypt to help build up his military. What did God's law have to say about this and why? (See Deut. 17:16)
3. What is the primary reason the author gives for Solomon's fame and fortune, and who is the credit given to? What does this teach you about God? (See Prov. 1:7; 3:13-14; Ps. 119:72)
4. Missionary of the week: Pray for Barry Maique as he shares Christ in public schools in the Philippines, starts Bible clubs on campus, and develops youth ministries in churches.

### **Tuesday: 1 Kings 11:1-8**

1. The big picture of the first ten chapters of the book shows the transfer of the Israelite kingdom to Solomon, and his rise to unprecedented power, wealth, and wisdom. Chapter eleven presents Solomon's downfall. What is the cause for his downfall? (See also Deut. 17:17)
2. How was God's command, which is included in this passage, wise and good? (See also Deut. 7:1-5; Ps. 119:151, 160)
3. There are probably several points of application from this text which you can apply to today. What is one point of application to you?
4. Pray for the people in your Oikos or "5 for 5".

### **Wednesday: 1 Kings 11:9-22**

1. Why was the LORD angry with Solomon?
2. How is the LORD still faithful to his covenant, and merciful to Solomon, despite his anger? (See 2 Sam. 7:12-17)

3. The LORD blessed King David by subduing his enemies and Solomon benefited by a lengthy period of peace. Who is the adversary and what shows the period of peace is about to end?
4. Pray for people where they work and live that they would honor God in all they do.

#### **Thursday: 1 Kings 11:23-43**

1. Who are the external and internal threats Solomon faces?
2. Who and what is impacted by a king's unrighteousness?
3. What shows the LORD to be faithful to his promises and showing steadfast love for Jerusalem?
4. Pray for government leaders both locally and globally.

#### **Friday: 1 Kings 12:1-15**

1. Although God richly rewarded Solomon, what shows Solomon may have had trouble managing the blessings?
2. What kind of wisdom does Rehoboam have compared to his father, Solomon?
3. How is the LORD involved in Rehoboam's reign and decision making?
4. Pray for family and friends.

#### **Saturday and Sunday**

Review what you read in 1 Kings this week. Pray for those serving Christ faithfully and pray for the services on Sunday. Pray the prayer of Ephesians 1:15-20.