



Monday: 1 Kings 7:1-12

1. What is another sign of Solomon's divided heart toward the LORD? (vs. 1, See also 1 Kings 6:37-38)
2. All of the buildings recorded in this reading are part of Solomon's palace for his kingdom. What about Solomon's palace shows how massive it is compared to the temple? (vs. 2, 6; See also 1 Kings 6:2)
3. No doubt the LORD promised Solomon he would bless him with riches (1 Kings 3:13). How would you say Solomon is responding to God's richness towards him?
4. Missionary of the week: Pray for Orange County Rescue Mission as they meet physical needs and share Christ in our community.

Tuesday: 1 Kings 7:13-51

1. What are the two precious metals used in decorating the tabernacle and the first temple? (See also Ex. 25:3, 8-9)
2. The cherubim are a classification of angels, who are especially prominent in the OT, and are included in the décor of the tabernacle, the temple, and the ark of the covenant. In the Bible where do we see the cherubim reside, and how does that help explain why they're part of the designs of the tabernacle, ark of the covenant, and the temple? (See Gen. 3:24; Ps. 99:1; Ezek. 10:18-19)
3. Read Deut. 8:7-10. How do those verses help us understand why pomegranates would be part of the temple architecture?
4. Pray for the people in your Oikos or "5 for 5".

Wednesday: 1 Kings 8:1-11

1. Solomon gathering the leaders together in the seventh month is interesting because this is the month of the Feast of Booths (See Lev. 23:39-43). What would be symbolic about bringing the ark of the covenant into the temple at this time?
2. How did Solomon show the proper care of moving the ark? (See Ex. 25:14-16; Deut. 10:18; 2 Sam. 6:6-7)
3. How does the LORD show the people he is in their midst? (See Ex. 40:34-35)
4. Pray for people where they work and live that they would honor God in all they do.

Thursday: 1 Kings 8:12-21

1. What do you learn about who God is from this passage?
2. What specific promises does Solomon identify being fulfilled by God?
3. Who receives the credit for Israel's success?
4. Pray for government leaders both locally and globally.

Friday: 1 Kings 8:22-40

1. What in Solomon's prayers shows God to be omnipresent, that God is everywhere at the same time?
2. What about Solomon's prayer shows the temple is to be a house of prayer? (See Isa. 56:7)
3. What do you learn about the nature of sin and forgiveness from today's reading?
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 Colossians 4:2-4.