

**Lesson 11: The Kingdom Restored? (with Q&A)**  
**Q & A and the Post-Exilic Books**

**TEACHING NOTES**

**Q&A**

**OUTLINE:**

- Questions on content of Kings
- Questions on themes of Kings
- Q & A from them
- Questions on Christ in Kings
- Questions on Application from Kings
- Application of Kings – by way of Chronicles  
{lesson 10 inserted here if need be}

**1a) To Know the Kings : Questions on content of Kings**

- ❖ **Who is the last of the judges, and key preist / prophet in first half of I Samuel?**
  - Samuel
- ❖ **Who was the First King of Israel? Describe him / some of the key events of his life**
  - Saul
- ❖ **Who succeeded him as King of Israel? Describe the key turning point, and where it is in the Bible**
  - David
  - David and Golliath – I Sammuel 17 (15-17)
  - Rest of David – I and II Samuel
- ❖ **Describe David / some of the key events of his life? What covenant did God make?**
  - Man after God's own heart
  - Throne eternal
- ❖ **Who comes after David? Where do we find his story?**
  - Solomon
  - I Kings 1 – 12
- ❖ **Describe Solomon / some of the key events of his life (first half, then second)? What covenant did God make?**
  - Temple, Kingdom, Queen of Sheeba
  - Wealth, Power, Women
  - Keep promise to David, apply to you hid obey, judge entire kingdom if not

- ❖ **Who were Solomon's sons? What is the defining thing about them for Israel?**
  - Rehoboam and Jeroboam
  - Split kingdom
  - both built and worshiped at High Places
  - given same promises as Solomon, both also reject
  
- ❖ **Where is Scripture is the Northern Kingdom? Describe them:**
  - I Kings 17 – II Kings 17 (931-722 BC)
  - Called Israel
  - No good king
  - All compared to Jeroboam – all worship at High Places
  - Key detestable king – Ahab – end of I Kings, beginning of II Kings
  
- ❖ **Assyria Conquer Samaria / Exiles Israel**
  - **II Kings 17:5-6 ; 7-23**
    - Invaded all the Land
    - Besieged Samaria for 3 years
    - Captured Samaria
    - Carried Israelites away – placed them in Halah, on the Habor, the river Gozan and the cities of Medes
  
- ❖ **In addition to the Kings, who else is featured in Kings? Who are the main two?**
  - Prophets
  - Elijah, Elisha
  
- ❖ **Where do you find Elijah and Elisha? Tell me their story:**
  - Elijah – end of I Kings
  - Elisha – beginning of II Kings

*If combined with lesson 8, put summary here – else ask about the following as questions*

### **Summary of Southern Kingdom of Judah**

- show dynasty chart
- show Evil and Good chart
- Talk through Reason chart

## ❖ **Babylon Destroys Jerusalem, Takes Judah Captive**

### ○ **II Kings 25**

#### ▪ **Nebuchadzezzar in reign of Jehoiachin**

- **Besieged Jerusalem**
- **Jehoiachin gave himself up**
- **All treasure in Kings house and house of Lord carried off**
- All vessels in house of Lord cut in two
- **Carried away all officials and men of valor – 10,000 captives – as well as all smiths and craftsmen – only poorest remain**
- Set up Jehoichins uncle, Mattaniah, king – renaming him Zedekiah

#### ▪ **Nebuchadnezzar in reign of Zedekiah**

- Zedekiah rebelled against Babylon
- **From 9<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> year of Zedekiah, Neb. Lays siege to Jerusalem**
- Famine great within
- One night kings army burst out and fled, but Chaldeans followed – killing and scattering, capturing king
- **Sons of King killed in front of him, then eyes put out and bound in chains and taken to Babylon**
- **Read 25:8-12 – house of Lord and all other great houses burned down, wall of Jerusalem destroyed, all but poorest exiled**
- Pillars, Bronze Sea, and else from house of God cut to pieces

#### ▪ **Ending of the Book**

- **Gedaliah made governor** – said do not fear, serve king of Babylon and live at peace in the land
- Instead, **killed Gedaliah – and fled to Egypt**
- In the 37<sup>th</sup> year of the exile a new king of Babylon **freed Jehoiachin** and left him dine at the kings own table as long as he lived

## ❖ **Summary of End**

- People of Israel scattered throughout old Assyrian empire
- Land of Israel resettled with foreigners
- People of Judah in captivity in Babylon
  - A few flee to Egypt
  - A few poor left in land
- Land of Judah, including Temple, utterly destroyed
- **All this at the direct hand of God!**
- **Book ends** with all hope, all promises of eternal kingship, of land of blessing, or people for God's own possession seemingly in utter ruin!
- Much worse than Nazi or Soviet Union or China conquer US and exile us! We would still have God and Christianity. **They had lost their God and there entire religious structure and promises of God were utterly gone**

## **1b) To Know the Kings: Questions on themes of Kings**

### **Q & A from them**

## **2a) To Know the King : Questions on God in Kings**

## **2b) To Know the King: Questions on Christ in King**

## **3A) To Be Changed by the King: Questions on Application from Kings**

## **3B) To Be Changed by the King: Application of Kings – by way of Chronicles**

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### **Notes on Post-exilic / Second Temple Period**

- Was the Kingdom truly restored?
- What were the people looking for and why were they looking for it?
- What did they expect the Messiah to look like / do?

### **Last 2 Lessons**

- \* Longing for the Messiah ... Christ's coming as King - We will begin promptly
- \* The Post-Exilic Period through the End Times
- \* any final Q & A
- \* Worship the King Eternal