

# I KINGS – LESSON TWO

## I. ESTABLISHING SOLOMON'S KINGSHIP – THE ORGANIZATION OF HIS KINGDOM (Chapters 3-4).

- A. Solomon marries a daughter of Pharaoh, the king of Egypt (3:1).
- B. Israel and Solomon worships God in the high places- no house for the name of Jehovah built yet (3:2-3).
- C. God appears to Solomon in a dream – Solomon asks for wisdom (3:4-15).
- D. Solomon's wisdom manifested in case of the harlots and a baby (3:16-28).
- E. The Organization and Glory of Solomon's kingdom (4:1-34).
  - 1. Solomon's cabinet officers from the beginning of his reign (v. 1-6).
  - 2. Solomon's twelve officers from various districts who in charge for preparing victuals for the King and his household (v.7-19).
  - 3. The greatness of Solomon's kingdom in terms of population, boundaries, areas of tribute, provisions, peace, horsemen and horses (v. 20-28).
  - 4. Solomon's excelling wisdom – proverbs and songs (v.29-34).

### QUESTIONS:

- 1. What did Solomon do regarding Pharaoh the king of Egypt?
- 2. Was marrying the daughter of Pharaoh a sin, or just bad judgment?
- 3. What were the people of Israel, including Solomon, doing in "the high places"?
- 4. Did God endorse, or just tolerate this practice?
- 5. For what blessing did Solomon ask God?
- 6. How did God show his pleasure for Solomon's request?
- 7. Long life was unconditionally given to Solomon. (T) (F)

8. What dilemma did two women present to Solomon?
9. What principle did Solomon's wisdom rely upon to solve the dilemma?
10. Who among Solomon's cabinet was described as "the king's friend"?
11. Why were there 12 officers chosen to provide victuals for the king and his household?
12. What was the extent of the boundaries of Solomon's rule?
13. What was Solomon's provision for "one day"?
14. How does the inspired writer describe the peace that existed under Solomon's reign?
15. Solomon was blessed with barley and straw for his "horses and \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_?"
16. What is meant by God giving Solomon a "large heart" ?
17. Who were Ethan, Heman, Calcol, and Darda?
18. Solomon spake \_\_\_\_\_ proverbs and \_\_\_\_\_ songs.
19. What of nature did Solomon speak?
20. Who all heard of Solomon's wisdom and came to him?