

1 KINGS Overview

The United Kingdom under Solomon (1:1–11:43)

- Struggle for Succession (1:1–2:12); cf. 2 Chronicles 1:1–17
- Solomon's Reign Established (2:13–3:1)
- Wisdom of Solomon (3:2–28)
- Solomon's Reign Described (4:1–34)
- Temple of Solomon (5:1–8:66); cf. 2 Chronicles 2:1–7:22
- Fame of Solomon (9:1–10:29); cf. 2 Chronicles 8:1–9:28
- Downfall of Solomon (11:1–43)

The Divided Kingdom (12:1–22:53)

- Rupture in the Kingdom (12:1–19)
- Reign of Jeroboam in Israel (12:20–14:20)
- Reign of Rehoboam in Judah (14:21–31); cf 2 Chronicles 10:1–12:16
- Reign of Abijam (Abijah) in Judah (15:1–8); cf 2 Chronicles 13:1–22
- Reign of Asa in Judah (15:9–24)
- Reign of Nadab in Israel (15:25–31)
- Reign of Baasha in Israel (15:32–16:7)
- Reign of Elah in Israel (16:8–14)
- Reign of Zimri in Israel (16:15–20)
- Reign of Omri in Israel (16:21–23)
- Reign of Ahab in Israel (16:29–22:40)
- Reign of Jehoshaphat in Judah (22:41–50); cf 2 Chronicles 17:1–20:37
- Reign of Ahazariah in Israel 22:51–53

Detailed View

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- Struggle for Succession (1:1–2:12); cf. 2 Chronicles 1:1–17
 - David Infirm with age (1:1–4)
 - Adonijah's coup (1:5–10)
 - Nathan's counter-plot (1:11–31)
 - Solomon anointed king (1:32–42)
 - Adonijah abandons his claim (1:41–53)
 - David's Final Counsel (2:1–9)
 - David's Death (2:10–12)
- Solomon's Reign Established (2:13–3:1)
 - Adonijah's suspicious moves result in his death (2:13–25)
 - Abiathar deposed (2:26–28)
 - Joab punished/executed (2:29–34)
 - New officials (2:35)
 - Shimei punished (2:36–46)
 - Marries daughter of Pharaoh (3:1)
- Wisdom of Solomon (3:2–28)

- Solomon prays for wisdom (3:2–15)
- Two prostitutes: Solomon’s wisdom in judgment (3:16–28)
- Solomon’s Reign Described (4:1–34)
 - Solomon’s officials (4:1–19)
 - Magnificence of his kingdom (4:20–28)
 - Fame of his wisdom (4:29–34)
- The Temple and Other Buildings of Solomon (5:1–8:66); cf. 2 Chronicles 2:1–7:22
 - Preparations for the Temple (5:1–18)
 - Description and construction of the temple (6:1–22)
 - Furnishings of the temple (6:23–38)
 - Solomon’s palace and other buildings (7:1–12)
 - House of the Forest of Lebanon (7:2–5)
 - House of Pillars (7:6)
 - Porch of the Throne (7:7)
 - The King’s House (7:8a)
 - House for Pharaoh’s Daughter (7:8b)
 - Products of Hiram the Bronzeworker (7:13–47)
 - Brass Pillars, Jachin and Boaz (7:15–23)
 - The Brazen Sea (7:24–26)
 - Bases and basins (7:27–39)
 - Other implements and utensils (7:40–47)
 - Dedication of the Temple (8:1–66)
 - Ark transferred (8:1–13)
 - Solomon’s speech (8:14–21)
 - Solomon’s prayer of dedication (8:22–53)
 - note seven petitions (vv. 31–32, 33–34, 35–36, 37–40, 41–43, 44–45, and 46–53 [this last with an exilic promise])
 - Solomon blesses the assembly (8:54–61)
 - Solomon offers sacrifice (8:62–66)
- Fame of Solomon (9:1–10:29); cf. 2 Chronicles 8:1–9:28
 - God appears a second time: Davidic covenant renewed (9:1–9)
 - His gift to Hiram (9:10–14)
 - His subjects (9:15–25)
 - Solomon’s commercial activity (9:26–28)
 - Visit from the queen of Sheba (10:1–13)
 - Solomon’s wealth (10:14–29)
- Downfall of Solomon (11:1–43)
 - Solomon’s wives (11:1–8)
 - The warning (11:9–13)
 - The adversaries (11:14–40)
 - Adversaries of Solomon (11:14–25)
 - Jeroboam’s rebellion (11:26–29a)
 - The prophecy of Ahijah (11:29b–40)
 - The death of Solomon (11:41–43)