

THE STORY

FINDING YOUR STORY IN GOD'S STORY

The King Who Had It All

Chapter 13 — May 24, 2015

I. Solomon Succeeds His Father David as King.

- A. He pleases God and asks for **wisdom**.

At Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon during the night in a dream, and God said, "Ask for whatever you want me to give you." - 1 Kings 3:5

- B. His wisdom is **tested**. (1 Kings 3:16-28)

- C. He shares his wisdom in **writing**.

[see examples from Proverbs in The Story pp 179-183]

II. Solomon Grows in Popularity.

A. He builds the **temple** and **dedicates** it to God. (1 Kings 5-8)
so that all the peoples of the earth may know that the Lord is God and that there is no other. - 1 Kings 8:60

- B. God blesses and **warns** Solomon. (1 Kings 9:4-9)

III. Solomon's Sin Catches Up with Him. (1 Kings 11)

- A. His **foreign** wives led him to worship idols.

- B. The LORD pronounces **judgment** on Solomon.

So the Lord said to Solomon, "Since this is your attitude and you have not kept my covenant and my decrees, which I commanded you, I will most certainly tear the kingdom away from you and give it to one of your subordinates. - 1 Kings 11:11

IV. Solomon's Wisdom for Our Story

- A. How we live **matters**.

Now all has been heard; here is the conclusion of the matter: Fear God and keep his commandments, for this is the duty of all mankind. - Ecclesiastes 12:13

- B. Yet God is **merciful**.

Whoever conceals their sins does not prosper, but the one who confesses and renounces them finds mercy. - Proverbs 28:13

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