

In the Kingdom

1&2 Samuel
1/2. 1 Kings
1050-930BC

David

Solomon

Reading Plan:

1 Sam 16	Samuel anoints David in Bethlehem
1 Sam 17	David kills Goliath
1 Sam 21-30	David flees Saul
2 Sam 2	David becomes King
2 Sam 6	David dances before ark in Jerusalem
2 Sam 7	David's covenant
2 Sam 11-13	David's sin
2 Sam 17	David flees Absalom
2 Chron 3-6	Solomon builds temple
1 King 3	Solomon's wisdom
1 King 4:29	Solomon's proverbs
1 King 6	Solomon builds & consecrates temple

WORLD:
Iron Age

Key Words:

Saul	the first king of Israel who becomes jealous of David & hunts him
David	the shepherd from Bethlehem who defeats Goliath & is anointed king, gets covenant with God & expands the kingdom
Jesse	David's father, "stump of Jesse" in Isaiah
Psalms	150 song/poems written by David & others; a "literary temple"
Bathsheba	the woman David lusts after & kills her husband in order to marry, Solomon's mother
Queen Mother	the new role Solomon gives Bathsheba as co-ruler
Solomon	David & Bathsheba's son, 3rd king of Israel, builds the temple & causes downfall

Overview



Samuel Anoints David



David & Goliath & Saul

Psalms



Psalms & David's Life

Psalm	Psalm Snippet to Read	David's Life Event
Psalm 23	Verse 1-2 "The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures and he leads me beside still waters."	Being a shepherd as a young boy & how he would care for his sheep
Psalm 34	Verse 1,4 Contend, O Lord, with those who contend with me. Fight against those who fight against me! Let them be put to shame and dishonor who seek after my life!	When David is running from Saul Also of these same trend, fleeing from Saul in one way or another: 7, 54, 56, 57, 59, 63, 142
Psalm 52	Verse 1-3 Why do you boast, O mighty man, of mischief done against the godly? All the day you are plotting destruction. Your tongue is like a sharp razor.	When Doeg, an Edomite told Saul David's location and he had to flee again
Psalm 89	Verse 3-4 You have said, "I have made a covenant with my chosen one, I have sworn to David my servant 'I will establish your descendants forever, and build your throne for generations'"	2 Sam 7:8-14 - God makes covenant with David about his son
Psalm 51	Verses 1-2 Have mercy on me O God...blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin! For I know my transgressions and my sin is ever before me.	When Prophet Nathan comes to David and tells him of his sin
Psalm 18	Verse 1-2 I love you O Lord my strength. The lord is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer, my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield, the horn of my salvation, my stronghold. I call upon the Lord who is worthy to be praised and I am saved from my enemies."	When God delivered him from Saul
Psalm 3	Verse 1-4 O Lord, how many are my foes! Many are rising against me. Many are saying of me 'there is no help for him in God', but you O Lord are a shield about me!	When David flees from his son Absalom at the end of his life

David's Covenant



David's Sin

Solomon - The Good Years



Books of Solomon

Song of Songs



“Liturgical Interpretation” - Temple as Bride

The Temple in Jerusalem	The Bride in the SoS
And solomon made the curtain in blue and purple and crimson fabrics (2 Chron 3:14)	I am dark but lovely like the tents of Kedar, like the curtains of Solomon (1:5)
Solomon built the house of the Forest of Lebanon upon three rows of cedar pillars with cedar beams (1 Kings 7:2)	The scent of your garments is like the scent of Lebanon 4:11
In front of the house, Solomon made chains like a necklace and put them on the tops of the pillars, and he made a hundred pomegranates... 2 Chron 3:15-16	Your shoot are an orchard of pomegranates 4:13
On that day there shall be a fountain opened for the inhabitants of Jerusalem, on that day living waters shall flow out...Zech 13:1, 14:8	A garden locked is my sister my bride, a garden fountain, a well of living water 4:12, 15
Tirzah = capital of N kingdom, Jerusalem = capital of south . She encompasses all 12 tribes	You are beautiful as Tirzah my love lovely as Jerusalem 6:4
Inner court, outer court, inmost place where only high priest bearing seed offering can enter	An anatomical woman & spousal union

“Divine Love Interpretation” - God as Bridegroom, Israel as Bride

Song of Songs describing Bridegroom	God of Israel
Him whom my soul loves (SoS 1:7,3:1,2,3,4)	Deut 6:4-5 “You shall love the Lord your God with all your...soul”
The king has brought me into his chambers. We will exult and rejoice in you (Sos 1:4)	This is the day which the LORD has made, let us rejoice & be glad in it (Psalm 118:24)
Tell me where you pasture your flock and where ou make it lie down 1:7	Psalm 23
His sweet is most sweet & he is altogether desirable 5:16	More to be desired are they (the ordinances of the Lord) than gold; sweeter also than honey and the drippings of the honeycomb Psalm 19:9-10
I am my my beloved’s and my beloved is mine 6:3	I will take you for my people, and I will be your God (Exodus 6:7// Leviticus 26:12)
Ch 4 is the unusual description of the bride	She is being described as the entire land. The most beautiful things - tower of David, hills, sheep, etc
Verses/Words in Song of Songs	Literal Meanings That Offer Sweet Insights for Our Prayer
1:5-6, bride describes herself as “black” / “swarthy” and says “do not stare at me”	She is sunburned and darkened from working outside; it’s a sign of her poverty and she feels
The bride says she is a “lily of the valley” and the groom replies she is a “lily among brambles” (2:1-2)	A lily of the valley - there are many lilies in the valley and she is one of many beautiful choices. He corrects her to say she is unique and unlike anything
2:3 Bride compares groom to an apple tree	An apple tree is foreign and exotic in this place
2:15 - Groom says “catch us the little foxes”	The bridegroom is inviting the bride to join him in defending their place of love, he does not criticize but joins her in defense

Couplet

