

READ THROUGH THE BIBLE STUDY SCHEDULE FOR 10/29/12 TO 11/4/12

MONDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2012 Read I Kings 9:1 to 10:29

Before you read from 1 Kings today, review Deuteronomy 17:14-20. About halfway into his reign, Solomon started down the slippery slope of disobedience- despite his wisdom. As you read, note the specific ways Solomon violated the clear instructions found in Deuteronomy.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2012 Read I Kings 11:1-43

Today's chapter outlines the decline and fall of King Solomon. Despite the Lord's warnings, His rebukes, and the consequences He imposes, Solomon continues down the slippery slope of idolatry. Worst of all, he takes his people- and God's people- down that slope with him.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2012 Read I Kings 12:1-33

A "no-confidence" public opinion poll. The murder of the head of IRS ("Israel's Revenue Service"). A nation divided. Today's reading includes all of this and more. As you read, notice how God used human ambition, frustration, and even sin to accomplish what He had foretold (1 Kings 11:30-37).

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2012 Read 1 Kings 13:1 to 14:31

Like a split-screen TV tuned-in to two different disasters, 1 Kings 13 and 14 show us the end of kings Jeroboam (Northern Kingdom) and Rehoboam (Southern Kingdom). As you read, note that God's grace called and called and kept on calling for repentance. But those calls fell on deaf ears.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2012 Read 1 Kings 15:1 to 16:34

As you read today's chapters, don't worry about remembering (or pronouncing) the names of the kings. In fact, it won't be necessary to do that from here through all of 2 Kings and both books of Chronicles. Focus instead on the character and conduct of the kings and their people. Always remember too, the Lord's promise to bring the Messiah from the people of Judah. Watch to see how He worked with His people to prepare them to receive this gift.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2012 Read 1 Kings 17:1 to 19:46

Despite the dreary disobedience we've read about in the palaces of Israel and Judah, the Lord had not abandoned His people! God provided for his servant Elijah, just as He always provides for those who love and trust in Him. As you read today, note all the remarkable ways the Lord accomplished His care.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2012 Come celebrate All Saints Day with us in the morning and the take some time later in the day to catch up on any readings you missed this week.