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AI-Assisted Bible Study for 1 Kings 11

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Headings

God is displeased with Solomon.

God judges Solomon for his disobedience.

God gives Solomon's kingdom to another.

Short Summaries

1 Kings 11 tells the story of King Solomon's wives and how they turned his heart away from God. As a result, God was angry with Solomon and told him that he would be punished by having his kingdom taken away from him.

1_Kings 11 tells the story of King Solomon and his foreign wives. Solomon loved many foreign women, including the daughter of Pharaoh, and they turned his heart away from the Lord. As a result, God was angry with Solomon and said that he would take away his kingdom.

Summaries

Solomon loved many foreign women and they turned his heart away from God. God became angry with Solomon and said that he would tear the kingdom away from Solomon's descendants.

King
SolomonARROWdisobeys
God by marrying many
foreign wives and
worshipping their false
gods. As a result,
GodARROWsays he will tear
the kingdom away from
Solomon's descendants.
GodARROWsays he will do
this because
SolomonARROWdid not

keep the covenant he made with GodARROW, and because he followed the evil examples of his wives.

Application Questions

What can I learn from this whole story about the importance of faithfulness to God?

What can I learn from Solomon's enemies about how to handle my own enemies?

What can I learn from Jeroboam's rebellion about the dangers of disobedience?

How can I live my life in such a way that I will not end up like Solomon?

What can I learn from Solomon's wives about how to be a faithful spouse?

How can I make sure that my own heart is not led astray like Solomon's was?

What can I do to ensure that I am not disobedient like Jeroboam was?

What can I learn from Solomon's death about the importance of a life well-lived?

Exegetical Questions

How did Solomon's death bring about the fulfillment of God's promise?

Why did the people turn against Solomon?

What did God tell Solomon would happen as a result of his disobedience?

Who was Jeroboam, and what role did he play in Solomon's downfall?

Why did God become angry with Solomon?

What lesson can we learn from Solomon's mistakes?

Describe the problem that arose when Solomon married foreign women.

How did Solomon's wives influence him to disobey God?

Observation Questions

Why were Solomon's wives, who were foreign women, a problem? (11:4-8)

Why did God allow Solomon to remain king even though he married these foreign women? (11:11-13)

Who was Jeroboam? (11:26-29)

How did God feel about Solomon's wives? (11:9-10)

How did Solomon respond to Jeroboam's rebellion? (11:40)

When did Solomon die? (11:41-43)

How many wives and concubines did Solomon have? (11:1-3)

What did Jeroboam do that led to him being an adversary of Solomon? (11:26-40)

Group Discussion Questions

What impact do these wives have on Solomon's life? (1 Kings 11:9-13)

What does this say about the importance of obedience to God? (1_Kings 11:4-8)

Why does Jeroboam rebel against Solomon? (1_Kings 11:26-32)

How does God feel about this? (1 Kings 11:4-8)

Why does Solomon's wisdom not prevent his downfall? (1 Kings 11:14-25)

How does God feel about this? (1 Kings 11:33)

What is the outcome of the rebellion? (1 Kings 12:1-24)

Why does Solomon disobey God by marrying foreign women? (1_Kings_11:1-3)

Prayers Based on 1 Kings 11

Thank you, God, for giving Solomon wisdom and for blessing him with so much.

Thank you, God, for being with Solomon throughout his life, and for bringing him into your everlasting kingdom.

Thank you, God, for giving Solomon the desire and opportunity to serve you with all his heart.

Thank you, God, for using Solomon to bring peace

Thank you, God, for protecting Solomon from

and unity to Israel.

his enemies and for giving him a long and prosperous life.

Journal Prompts

What do you think would happen if you married someone whose beliefs were different from your own?

What do you think would happen if you died tomorrow?

Do you think that it is ever possible to truly love more than one person at a time?

Do you think that polygamy is ever a good idea?

What do you think are the consequences of having too much power?

What do you think about Solomon's decision to marry multiple wives?

What do you think about the fact that Solomon's wives turned his heart away from God?

What do you think is the most important thing in a marriage?

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