

LESSON 39

1. Who was the new leader of the Israelites whom God chose to replace Moses?

-Joshua.

2. Did God keep His promise and give to Abraham's descendants the land of Canaan?

-Yes.

3. After Joshua died, what did the Israelites do?

-After Joshua died, the Israelites rejected God and became very wicked.

-After Joshua died, the Israelites made images and worshipped the images instead of God.

4. Who deceived the Israelites so that they rejected God and worshipped images?

-Satan.

5. If we worship anyone or anything other than God, who are we worshipping?

-Satan.

6. Why does Satan lead people to worship images?

-Because Satan hates God, and does not want anyone to worship God.

-Because Satan hates all people, and does not want anyone to be saved by God.

7. How did God punish the Israelites for worshipping images?

-God sent the enemies of the Israelites to come and destroy all the crops of the Israelites.

-God sent the enemies of the Israelites to come and steal all of their cattle.

-God sent the enemies of the Israelites to come and make the Israelites their slaves.

8. When the Israelites confessed their sins, and asked God to save them, what did God do?

-When the Israelites confessed their sins, and asked God to save them, God would choose men and women among the Israelites who would lead the Israelites to defeat their enemies.

9. What were these men and women whom God chose to lead the Israelites to defeat their enemies called?

-Judges.

10. Why did God still love and protect the Israelites?

-Because God promised that Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob would have many descendants who would become a great people.

-Because God promised to send the Savior through the descendants of the Israelites.

-Because God promised to send His message, the Bible, through the descendants of the Israelites.

11. Who was the last judge of the Israelites?

-Samuel.

12. Before Samuel died, what did the Israelites ask Samuel to do?

-The Israelites asked Samuel to choose a king to lead them.

13. Why did this make Samuel sad?

-Samuel was sad because the Israelites were rejecting God as their king.

-God chose Saul to be the first king of the Israelites.

-Because God chose Saul, God wanted Saul to obey Him, but Saul disobeyed God.

-Therefore, Samuel told Saul that God had chosen another man to be king of the Israelites.

Let's read 1 Samuel 13:13-14

13-"You acted foolishly," Samuel said to Saul. "You have not kept the command the LORD your God gave you; if you had, He would have established your kingdom over Israel for all time.

14-But now your kingdom will not endure; the LORD has sought out a man after His own heart and appointed him leader of His people, because you have not kept the LORD's command."

-When Saul disobeyed God, who did God choose to be the next king of Israel?

-David.

-God chose David to be the second king of the Israelites.

Let's read 1 Samuel 16:1 & 13

1-The LORD said to Samuel, "How long will you mourn for Saul, since I have rejected him as king over Israel? Fill your horn with oil and be on your way; I am sending you to Jesse of Bethlehem. I have chosen one of his sons to be king."

13-So Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed David in the presence of his brothers, and from that day on the Spirit of the LORD came upon David in power.

-After Saul died, all of the Israelites came to David to make him king.

Let's read 2 Samuel 5:1-4

1-All the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron and said, "We are your own flesh and blood.

2-In the past, while Saul was king over us, you were the one who led Israel on their military campaigns. And the LORD said to you, 'You will shepherd my people Israel, and you will become their ruler.'"

3-When all the elders of Israel had come to King

David at Hebron, the king made a compact with them at Hebron before the LORD, and they anointed David king over Israel.

4-David was thirty years old when he became king, and he reigned forty years.

-How were Saul and David different?

-Saul did not believe that he was born into sin separated from God.

-But David knew that he was born into sin separated from God.

-Saul did not believe that God punishes all sin by death.

-But David knew that God punishes all sin by death.

-Saul did not believe God alone was able to save him.

-But David knew that only God was able to save him.

-Saul did not believe in God's promise to send the Savior.

-But David knew that God would send the Savior to save him from Satan and death.

-Because David believed in God, he wrote many songs of worship to God.

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-Because David was the king of the Israelites, he had much money.

-Because David was the king of the Israelites, he built a large house of wood, stone, gold, and silver.

-One day, David started thinking about his house and the tent of God.

Let's read 2 Samuel 7:1-3

1-After the king was settled in his palace and the LORD had given him rest from all his enemies around him,

2-he said to Nathan the prophet, "Here I am, living in a palace of cedar, while the ark of God remains in a tent."

3-Nathan replied to the king, "Whatever you have in mind, go ahead and do it, for the LORD is with you."

-After David had finished building his house, what did he want to do?

-David wanted to build a house for God.

-Does God need a house to live in?

-No.

-God is everywhere at the same time, and does not need a house to live in.

-Even though God does not need a house to live in, God was pleased that David thought of Him.

-What did God then say to David?

Let's read 2 Samuel 7:12-13a

12-The LORD said, "When your days are over and you rest with your fathers, I will raise up your offspring to succeed you, who will come from your own body, and I will establish his kingdom.

13-He is the one who will build a house for my Name."

-Although God was pleased that David thought of Him, God said that David would not be the one to build a house for God.

-Who was to be the one to build a house for God?

-David's son, Solomon.

-Because David believed in God, God made a promise to David.

-Here is what God promised to David:

Let's read 2 Samuel 7:16

16-The LORD said to David, "Your house and your kingdom will endure forever before me; your throne will be established forever."

-What was this great promise that God made to David?

-God promised that He would send the Savior through the descendants of David.

-This promise that God made to David is the same promise that God made to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.

-God would send the Savior who would be king forever and ever.

-Did God forget His promise to send the Savior?

-No.

-God always remembered His promise to send the Savior to save us from sin, death, and Satan.

-Before David died, he made many preparations to build a house for God.

-Then, David gave to his son Solomon the work of building the house for God.

Let's read 1 Chronicles 22:5-6

5-David said, "My son Solomon is young and inexperienced, and the house to be built for the LORD should be of great magnificence and fame and splendor in the sight of all the nations. Therefore, I will make preparations for it." So David made extensive preparations before his death.

6-Then he called for his son Solomon and charged him to build a house for the LORD, the God of Israel.

-Before David died, he told his son Solomon to build a house for God.

-Thereafter, David died, and his son Solomon became king of the Israelites.

Let's read 1 Chronicles 29:26-28

26-David son of Jesse was king over all Israel.

27-He ruled over Israel forty years--seven in Hebron and thirty-three in Jerusalem.

28-He died at a good old age, having enjoyed long life, wealth, and honor. His son Solomon succeeded him as king.

-After Solomon became king of the Israelites, what did he do?

Let's read 2 Chronicles 2:1a

1-Solomon gave orders to build a temple for the Name of the LORD.

-Just as his father King David had told him, Solomon built a house for God.

-The name of the house that Solomon built for God was called the temple.

-Solomon built the temple in the city of Jerusalem.

-The city of Jerusalem was a big city in Canaan where many of the Israelites lived.

-A great stone wall surrounded the city of Jerusalem to protect the city from the enemies of the Israelites.

-The temple that Solomon built for God was like the tent that the Israelites built for God in the desert.

-How was the temple that Solomon built for God like the tent that the Israelites built for God in the desert?

-The tent of God had a first room called the Holy Room.

-The temple also had a first room called the Holy Room.

-The tent of God had a second room called the Most Holy Room.

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-The tent of God had a curtain which separated the two rooms.

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-Because God is holy and hates all sin, how often was the chief priest able to enter the Most Holy Room?

-Only once a year.

-Because God is holy and hates all sin, what did the chief priest do in the Most Holy Room?

-He sprinkled the blood of animals on the Ark of the Covenant.

-What would God do when He saw the blood that the chief priest sprinkled on the Ark of the Covenant?

-God said that He would withhold His punishment of the sins of the people for one more year until a better payment for sin would be made.

-Was the blood of the animals able to pay for the sins of the people?

-No.

-Why was the blood of the animals not able to pay for the sins of the people?

-Because sin must be paid for by the death of the sinner.

-After King Solomon died, what happened to the Israelites?

-The Israelites could not agree on who would be the next king.

-Therefore, the twelve tribes of the Israelites split up and became two peoples.

-The ten tribes in the north separated from the two tribes in the south.

-What were the ten tribes of the north called?

-Israel.

-What were the two tribes of the south called?

-Judah.

-Many kings ruled over Israel, and many kings ruled over Judah.

-Most of the kings did not believe in God.

-Only a few of the kings believed in God.