

Wednesday Night, Survey Service: Week 32
2nd Kings 23 – 1st Chronicles 6, John 17-20

2nd Kings 23: Josiah's reforms

Key Point:

Even with great zeal and a whole heart, we can fall prey to pride.

Key Verse - 2nd Kings 23:24 (NLT)

Josiah also got rid of the mediums and psychics, the household gods, the idols, and every other kind of detestable practice, both in Jerusalem and throughout the land of Judah. He did this in obedience to the laws written in the scroll that Hilkiyah the priest had found in the Lord's Temple.

2nd Kings 24: Babylon begins

Key Point:

God does not lie, nor does His promise fail. Judgment will come upon the earth even if we must wait a while before it comes to pass.

Key Verse - 2nd Kings 24:1 (NLT)

During Jehoiakim's reign, King Nebuchadnezzar of Babylon invaded the land of Judah. Jehoiakim surrendered and paid him tribute for three years but then rebelled.

2nd Kings 25: The exile begins

Key Point:

God's judgement will always be certain and complete. We can rest assured that God will bring His judgment about at the right time and in the right way.

Key Verse - 2nd Kings 25:11 (NLT)

Then Nebuzaradan, the captain of the guard, took as exiles the rest of the people who remained in the city, the defectors who had declared their allegiance to the king of Babylon, and the rest of the population.

1st Chronicles 1: Genealogy of 1st Chronicles

Key Point:

The history and lineage of our fathers is important to God and should be to us – it humbles us and also shows God’s mercy leading to our existence today.

Key Verse - 1st Chronicles 1:1-4 (NLT)

Adam, Seth, Enosh, ² Kenan, Mahalalel, Jared, ³ Enoch, Methuselah, Lamech, ⁴ Noah, Shem, Ham, and Japheth.

1st Chronicles 2: First Chronicles Genealogy of Israel

Key Point:

We must take care not to overlook poor character just because someone is a biological or marital relation. We must also be willing to accept those who join our family as family.

Key Verse - 1st Chronicles 2:1 – 2 (NLT)

These were the sons of Israel: Reuben, Simeon, Levi, Judah, Issachar, Zebulun, ² Dan, Joseph, Benjamin, Naphtali, Gad, and Asher.

1st Chronicles 3: David’s sons

Key Point:

God’s plan will be carried out in and through our lives regardless of our faithfulness or lack thereof. God is faithful even when we are not.

Key Verse - 1st Chronicles 3:1 (NLT)

These are the sons of David who were born in Hebron:
The oldest was Amnon, whose mother was Ahinoam from Jezreel.
The second was Daniel, whose mother was Abigail from Carmel.

1st Chronicles 4: Judah and Simeon’s sons

Key Point:

Being a person of prayer rather than personal ambition and achievement leads to a reputation of honor and godliness.

Key Verse - 1st Chronicles 4:1 (NLT)

The sons of Judah were Perez, Hezron, Carmi, Hur, and Shobal.

1st Chronicles 5: Reuben, Gad, Half Man's sons

Key Point:

Despite a good start, if we are distant from the people of God and remote from the teaching and culture of His word, we can end up falling prey to the attraction of the world around us.

Key Verse - 1st Chronicles 5:17 (NLT)

All of these were enrolled in the genealogies in the days of Jotham king of Judah, and in the days of Jeroboam king of Israel.

1st Chronicles 6: Sons of Levi

Key Point:

Musical worship is very important to God – so much so that David specifically appointed musicians to serve and God made certain their names were remembered.

Key Verse - 1st Chronicles 6:1 (NLT)

The sons of Levi were Gershon, Kohath, and Merari.

John 17: Prayer For Us

Key Point:

Eternal life is an intimate relationship with the Father and the Son. Our prayers should reflect what we know is true about God and our relationship with Him.

Key Verse - John 17:15 (NLT)

I'm not asking you to take them out of the world, but to keep them safe from the evil one.

John 18: Arrest, Annas & Caiaphas

Key Point:

Jesus willingly gave Himself as a substitute for the guilty – and Barabbas is an illustration of this since he was set free, and Jesus sent to the cross in his place.

Key Verse - John 18:36 (NLT)

Jesus answered, "My Kingdom is not an earthly kingdom. If it were, my followers would fight to keep me from being handed over to the Jewish leaders. But my Kingdom is not of this world."

John 19: It Is Finished

Key Point:

The crucifixion was a fulfillment of prophecy, witnessed in history and there is overwhelming historical evidence that Jesus was dead and did not just pass out on the cross.

Key Verse - John 19:30 (NLT)

When Jesus had tasted it, he said, "It is finished!" Then he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

John 20: 1st Day

Key Point:

The evidences of the resurrection are given to us so that we might believe.

Key Verse - John 20:29 (NLT)

Then Jesus told him, "You believe because you have seen me. Blessed are those who believe without seeing me."