



JOURNAL PAGE

1. What does this story teach me about God or the gospel?
2. What does this story teach me about myself?
3. Are there any commands in this story to obey? How are they for God's glory and my good?
4. Are there any promises in this story to remember? How do they help me trust and love God?
5. How does this story help me to live on mission better?



Unit 14 • Session 1

## JOASH WANTED TO OBEY GOD

2 Kings 12; 2 Chronicles 24

### WHAT IS REPENTANCE? REPENTANCE IS TURNING AWAY FROM SIN AND TURNING TO JESUS.

Joash (JOH ash) was seven years old when he became the king of Judah. For years, King Joash did what was right in the sight of the Lord.

Joash really wanted to renovate the Lord's temple.

Joash commanded that a chest be placed outside the gate of the temple. The people filled the chest with silver.

Then Joash and the high priest gave the silver to the workers in charge of fixing up the temple. The workers restored God's temple and made it stronger.

The priests gave burnt offerings in the Lord's temple every day while Jehoiada the high priest was alive.

After he died, the rulers of Judah came and talked to King Joash. Joash abandoned the Lord's temple. Joash set up objects and idols for the people to worship. God sent prophets to warn Joash and the people, but they didn't listen. Because Joash turned away from God, God turned away from him.

**Christ Connection:** Joash wanted to obey God. He honored God at first, but in time, his actions showed that there was still sin in his heart. Jesus wants to change our hearts. When we trust in Jesus as Lord and Savior, He gives us new hearts that want to live for His glory.

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**Bible Book Unscramble** | Unscramble the letters in the coins and write the correct Bible book in the spaces below.



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**True or False?** | Read each statement and circle the sentences that are true about the Bible story.

**Joash was seven years old when he became king of Judah.**

**Joash really wanted to renovate the Lord's temple.**

**The people refused to bring silver to repair the temple.**

**Stonecutters, carpenters, blacksmiths, and coppersmiths helped make the temple stronger.**

**Silver was used to repair the temple.**

**The people spent the leftover money on buying nice gifts for the king.**

**Joash abandoned the Lord's temple.**

**God sent prophets to warn the people about turning away from Him.**

**The people listened to the prophets.**

**Joash set up idols for the people to worship.**

