

THROUGH THE BIBLE IN A YEAR

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2 CHRONICLES

Second Chronicles continues the history of Israel that was begun in 1 Chronicles. This book repeats information and many stories from 1 and 2 Kings, but from a slightly different viewpoint. Second Chronicles begins with the rule of King Solomon, then tells the history of the two separate kingdoms of Judah and Israel down to the fall of Jerusalem.

King Solomon is honored as the ideal king of Israel. The first part of 2 Chronicles includes events from his rule, especially the building and dedication of the temple in Jerusalem and the beginning of worship there. The second part begins with the rebellion of the northern tribes of Israel and the division of the country into two separate kingdoms, Judah in the south and Israel in the north. It also includes the history of Judah down to the time of Jerusalem's fall and destruction. Unlike 2 Kings, this book includes very little information about the northern kingdom. According to this book, the people of Israel were sinful and turned their backs on the Lord, and so their history did not deserve to be told.

Second Chronicles, like 1 Chronicles, is very concerned that the Lord be worshiped in the proper way. Hezekiah and Josiah are two of the most respected kings of Judah, because they were always faithful to the Lord and did many things to see that he was properly worshiped and that his Law was obeyed.

This book tells how Jerusalem was destroyed and the people of Judah were led away as prisoners to Babylonia. But the book concludes with hope for the Jews. King Cyrus of Persia lets them return to Judah.

OUTLINE

- I. Solomon's Wisdom and Wealth (1:1-17)
- II. Building and Dedication of the Jerusalem Temple (2:1-7:22)
- III. Other Events During Solomon's Rule (8:1-9:28)
- IV. The Death of Solomon (9:29-31)
- V. The Northern Tribes of Israel Rebel against King Rehoboam (10:1-19)
- VI. Kings of Judah (11:1-28:27)
- VII. King Hezekiah and the Assyrian Invasion (29:1-32:33)
- VIII. King Manasseh and King Amon (33:1-25)
- IX. King Josiah and the Book of God's Law (34:1-35:27)
- X. The Last Kings of Judah (36:1-16)
- XI. Jerusalem Destroyed and the People are Taken to Babylonia (36:17-21)
- XII. King Cyrus of Persia Lets the Jews Return to Judah (36:22-23)

BIBLE BLURB (from@biblesummary)

2Chr13: Abijah became king of Judah. He drew up battle lines against Jeroboam and said, "The LORD is our God". The LORD routed Jeroboam.

2Chr14: Asa became king. He did right in the sight of the LORD. Zerah the Ethiopian brought an army against Judah but the LORD routed them.

2Chr15: Azariah said to Asa, "The LORD is with you when you are with Him. Do not give up." The people made a covenant to seek the LORD.

2Chr16: Baasha fortified Ramah so Asa made a treaty with Ben-hadad. Hanani said, "You relied on Aram not the LORD." Asa became ill and died.

2Chr17: Jehoshaphat became king and was devoted to the LORD. He sent his officials to teach the law. He grew greater and built fortresses.

2Chr18: Ahab and Jehoshaphat planned for war. Micaiah said, "I saw Israel scattered. Your prophets are lying." Ahab was killed in battle.

2Chr19: Jehoshaphat returned to Jerusalem. He appointed judges and said to them, "Judge carefully, for with the LORD there is no injustice."

2Chr20: An army came against Jehoshaphat so he sought the LORD. Jahaziel said, "The battle is not yours but God's." The LORD set ambushes.

2Chr21: Jehoram ruled and did evil. Elijah wrote saying, "The LORD will send a plague." The LORD struck Jehoram with a disease and he died.

2Chr22: The people made Ahaziah king. He did evil and was killed by Jehu. Athaliah destroyed the royal family but Jehoshabeath hid Joash.

2Chr23: Jehoiada gathered the Levites and anointed the king's son as king. Athaliah was killed. The people tore down the temple of Baal.

2Chr24: Joash ruled and did right while Jehoiada lived. The priests collected money to repair the temple. Joash was killed by his servants.

2Chr25: Amaziah ruled in Jerusalem. After he slaughtered the Edomites he bowed down to their gods. He challenged Jehoash and was defeated.

2Chr26: The people made Uzziah king. He did right and became powerful. But he went to burn incense on the altar and was struck with leprosy.

2Chr27: Jotham became king and did right in the sight of the LORD. He built fortresses in the hills and conquered the Ammonites.

2Chr28: Ahaz became king. He made idols, so the LORD gave him to Aram and Israel. He shut the LORD's temple and sacrificed to other gods.

2Chr29: Hezekiah became king and did right. He told the Levites to cleanse the temple. He assembled the officials and they made offerings.

2Chr30: Hezekiah sent couriers throughout Judah and Israel saying, "Return to the LORD." Many gathered in Jerusalem to celebrate Passover.

2Chr31: Hezekiah assigned the priests and Levites to their duties. The Israelites gave a tithe. Conaniah was in charge of the offerings.

2Chr32: Sennacherib besieged Judah. Hezekiah and Isaiah cried out to the LORD and the Assyrians were struck dead. Hezekiah had great riches.

2Chr33: Manasseh became king. He did much evil and was captured by the Assyrians. Then he sought the LORD. Amon became king and did evil.

2Chr34: Josiah became king. He repaired the temple and had the law read out. Huldah said, "The LORD says: You will be buried in peace."

2Chr35: Josiah celebrated the Passover. He appointed priests to their duties and provided offerings. Then he attacked Neco and was killed.

2Chr36: Jehoahaz, Jehoiakim, Jehoiachin and Zedekiah ruled. Then Nebuchadnezzar burned the temple and took Judah captive for seventy years.

JOHN

OUTLINE

- I. A Hymn in Praise of the Word (1:1-18)
- II. The Message of John the Baptist (1:19-34)
- III. Jesus Chooses His First Disciple (1:35-51)
- IV. Jesus' Seven Special Miracles (2:1-12:50)
- V. Jesus' Last Week: His Trial and Death (13:1-19:42)
- VI. Jesus is Alive (20:1-10)
- VII. Jesus Appears to His Disciples (20:11-21:25)

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Jn14: "I am the way, the truth, and the life. I am in the Father and the Father in me. He will give you the Holy Spirit. Do not be afraid."

Jn15: "I am the vine, you are the branches. You are my friends if you do what I command. If they persecuted me, they will persecute you."

Jn16: "The Spirit will convict the world of sin. He will guide you into all truth. Your sorrow will turn to joy. I am going to the Father."

Jn17: Jesus said, "Father, I have revealed your name to those you gave me. Sanctify them in the truth. May all who believe in me be one."

Jn18: Judas betrayed Jesus to the chief priests. Peter denied him. He was sent before Pilate. Jesus said, "My kingdom is not of this world."

Jn19: The soldiers took Jesus and crucified him. He said, "It is finished." He gave up his spirit. A soldier pierced his side with a spear.

Getting to Know God Through His Book - 4 Questions - Ask...

Insight—what does the passage say? Paraphrase the main point(s) and the commands to follow, promises to claim, examples to follow (or avoid), etc.

Question—what don't I understand? Need to know more about? How does this passage make me feel?

Praise—what does this passage teach me about God? Turn what the passage says into praise for the Lord's goodness, power, holiness, wisdom, etc.

Apply—what is God saying to me from this passage? Confess how you have not followed it. Pray, asking God to help you obey. Get quiet and ask God to speak to you.

Journal—write out your prayers, thoughts, responses to God and His Word

HOW TO PRAY

Scripture is God speaking to us. Prayer is us speaking to and listening to God. Jesus gave us the model in the Lord's Prayer (Mt 6). Keep your relationship fresh with the Lord by both reading and praying - two way communication. Remember to look up like Jesus did when He prayed.

1. Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed by thy name – focus on God, adore, praise, thank Him – long to see His glory and honor.
2. Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done – ask for what you know will please Him, pray back the Scripture – that is His will.
3. Give us this day our daily bread – ask for your needs and others to be met.
4. Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us – ask for forgiveness, from God, and from others you may have hurt. Ask God to help you forgive and restore others too. Ask Him to get rid of bitterness and have love & compassion for those who have hurt you.
5. And lead us not into temptation – ask God to take over your day, protect you and others from evil.
6. For thine is the kingdom, power & glory – end by re-focusing on God, His kingdom, power, and glory!
7. Listen – ask God to speak to you by His Spirit – always test what you hear by His Word.
8. Pray the Blind Bartimaeus Prayer (Mark 10) – Tell God what you feel, what you want, and ask God what you should do to get what you want (if what you want is right).