

SERMON NOTES –13/09/15

“Solomon – How Can One So Wise Get It So Wrong!”

I Kings 11:1-13

Summarise the 66 Books of the Bible

David points to the eternal King still to come

Solomon was so wise but got it wrong

Living under the King is living according to His rules

Solomon’s love of women and the gods that came with them

Who do we marry?

Where your treasure is your heart will be also

Consequences of breaking the covenant
The legacy we leave

If we disown God then will He disown us?

To Ponder In A Quiet Moment Or Over a Cuppa With A Friend:

Where do you think Solomon got it wrong?

How can what we love cloud our ability to act and think wisely?

Why do you think Solomon failed to acknowledge God?

BIBLE STUDY QUESTIONS 13/09/15

I Kings 11:1-13

“Solomon – How Can One So Wise Get It So Wrong?”

1. What did Solomon ask for at the commencement of his kingship? (I Kings 3:7-15)
2. Did Solomon get what he asked for or was it simply a dream? (I Kings 3:5 & 15) If God communicates through dreams should we pay more attention to them?
3. How would you describe Solomon’s spiritual state at the commencement of his kingship? (I Kings 3:2-4) How does this fit with his spiritual state later in life? (I Kings 11:6)
4. When did Solomon’s love for foreign women commence? (I Kings 3:1) Was the problem they were from foreign countries or nations, or was the problem they were foreigners to God?
5. What are the dangers or challenges if you marry someone who is not a Christian? (II Corinthians 6:14-18)
6. What affect did Solomon’s wives have on his heart? (I Kings 11:4-8)
7. What did Jesus have to say about the heart? (Matthew 6:21 & 24) What worldly loves threaten to turn you away from God? How can what we love have such an effect on our heart?
8. What do we know about the nations mentioned in I Kings 11:1 and their attitude toward God’s people?
9. What do we know about the pagan gods mentioned in I Kings 11:5-7?
10. What commands had Solomon broken? (Exodus 20:1-3) What punishment does God unleash on Solomon?
11. Even though Solomon is punished for breaking the covenant, how does God keep His promise to David? (II Samuel 7:12-16)
12. If Solomon is so wise, how did he get it so wrong?