

## **Incline Our Hearts**

**1 Kings 8:54-66; 9:1-28**

### **The Blessing of God's Rest**

**8:54-61**

- Solomon's physical posture reflects his heart for God and for Israel.
- Israel had rest because not one of God's promises failed.
- It is God who inclines our hearts to Him, so we love Him more than anything or anyone else.

***Remembering God's faithfulness draws our hearts to Him, so we \_\_\_\_\_  
to walk in His ways.***

### **The Nation's Response to God's Blessing**

**8:62-66**

- Solomon and the people offered many sacrifices to God in worship.
- God's power and glory is seen when fire is sent from heaven to consume their sacrifices on the altar.
- After celebrating God's overwhelming faithfulness, everyone went home overjoyed.

***Worship God with other believers. This \_\_\_\_\_ us and brings us joy.***

### **God's Warning for Solomon and Israel**

**9:1-10**

- God appears and acknowledges that He has heard Solomon's prayer.
- The people dedicated the Temple, but only God could make it holy.
- God made Solomon a conditional promise; Solomon's obedience would guarantee the throne was never taken from him.
- God had chosen Israel, but they also must choose Him.

***Recognize that God asks for \_\_\_\_\_ not perfection, so humbly  
follow God's Word.***

### **Solomon's Spiritual and Worldly Achievements**

**9:11-28**

- Solomon paid off his debt to Hiram, which was partially due to his extravagance.
- Solomon fortified the nation, made routes for trade, and also brought in chariots.
- Solomon led his people by example by worshiping the Lord three times a year.
- Solomon established the first ever navy for Israel which brought in a great deal of gold.

***Surround yourself with friends who will be watchful and encourage  
you to follow God \_\_\_\_\_.***

**The Splendid Reign of Solomon – 1 Kings 8:54-66; 9:1-28**

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**PHILIPPIANS 4:6-7 ...do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.**

**ROMANS 12:1 I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.**

**LEVITICUS 9:24 And fire came out from before the Lord and consumed the burnt offering and the pieces of fat on the altar, and when all the people saw it, they shouted and fell on their faces.**

**2 CHRONICLES 7:1-3 As soon as Solomon finished his prayer, fire came down from heaven and consumed the burnt offering and the sacrifices, and the glory of the Lord filled the temple. And the priests could not enter the house of the Lord, because the glory of the Lord filled the Lord's house. When all the people of Israel saw the fire come down and the glory of the Lord on the temple, they bowed down with their faces to the ground on the pavement and worshiped and gave thanks to the Lord, saying, "For he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever."**

**LEVITICUS 6:12-13 The fire on the altar shall be kept burning on it; it shall not go out. The priest shall burn wood on it every morning, and he shall arrange the burnt offering on it and shall burn on it the fat of the peace offerings. Fire shall be kept burning on the altar continually; it shall not go out.**

**1 PETER 3:12a "For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous, and his ears are open to their prayer."**

**LEVITICUS 25:23 "The land shall not be sold in perpetuity, for the land is mine. For you are strangers and sojourners with me."**

**DEUTERONOMY 17:16 Only he must not acquire many horses for himself or cause the people to return to Egypt in order to acquire many horses, since the Lord has said to you, 'You shall never return that way again.'**

# SOLOMON'S BUILDING ACTIVITIES

1Kg 6-7; 9:1-22; 2Ch 2-4; 8:1-12

- City
- City (uncertain location)
- City (modern name)
- Hazor** City built or rebuilt by Solomon
- Cities and towns showing building/rebuilding in the 10th century B.C.
- Fortified by Solomon
- Fortified enclosures
- Major routes
- Other routes
- Territory ceded to Hiram of Tyre

