

“Show Thyself A Man”

1 Kings 2:1-3

David’s Charge To Solomon

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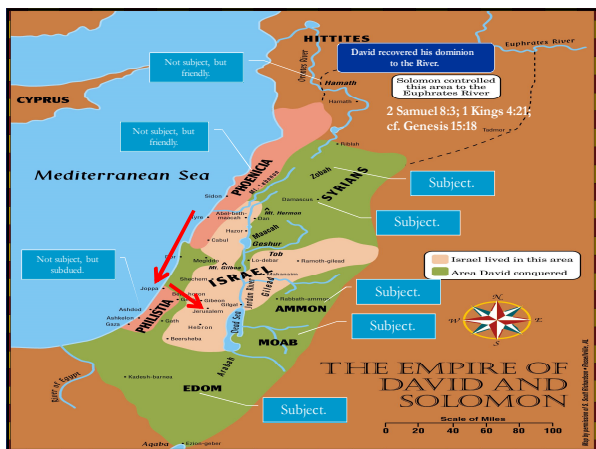
- Be Strong.
- Show thyself a man.
- Keep the commandments.

Positive Attributes

- Solomon’s humility. 1 Kings 3:5ff
- Wisdom of Solomon. 1 Kings 3:16ff

Positive Attributes

- Wealth of Solomon. 1 Kings 4:21; Note chapter 5
 - Vessels of his house, pure gold. 1 Kings 10:1-13; 21
 - Silver like stones. 1 Kings 10:27
- Seven years to build the temple. 1 Kings 6:37-38
 - Over 183,300 Skilled workmen.



Lesson 1

Take Heed To Your Counselors

FEAR GOD ...

1. Such is the beginning of knowledge and wisdom. Proverbs 1:7; 9:10
2. It will prolong one's days, being a fountain of life. Proverbs 10:27
3. It is the whole meaning of one's existence. Eccl. 12:13

➤ **Therefore, let the Word of God be your counselor in life.**

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LISTEN TO YOUR PARENTS ...

1. Their advice— like graceful ornaments around your neck. Proverbs 1:8-9
2. Their advice— guide you through life. Proverbs 6:20-22

➤ **Benefit from the wisdom of those more experienced who love you.**

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BEWARE OF EVIL COMPANIONS ...

1. They will entice you to do evil. Proverbs 1:10-14
2. They will only destroy you along with themselves. Proverbs 1:15-19; 13:20

➤ **Choose your friends carefully, for evil company can corrupt. cf. 1 Corinthians 15:33**

Lesson 2

Take Heed To Your Goals

SEEK WISDOM AND UNDERSTANDING ...

1. Seek for wisdom as you would seek for silver. Proverbs 2:1-9
2. It will protect you from the evil man and woman. Proverbs 2:10-22
3. It will make you happy. Proverbs 3:13-24
4. As his own father told Solomon, wisdom is the principle thing. Proverbs 4:7-9

➤ **Thus godly wisdom should be a priority in life.**

Lesson 2

Take Heed To Your Goals

ACKNOWLEDGE GOD'S ROLE IN YOUR LIFE ...

1. Trust in Him and let Him direct your paths. Proverbs 3:5-6
2. Fear Him, and honor Him with your possessions. Proverbs 3:7-10
3. Accept His chastisement in your life. Proverbs 3:11-12
4. Let the Lord be your confidence, and He will bless you. Proverbs 3:25-35

➤ **As Jesus said, seek first His kingdom and righteousness - cf. Matthew 6:33**

Lesson3

Take Heed To Your Relationships

AVOID THE UNGODLY WOMAN ...

1. The woman who would entice you, but destroy you in the end. Proverbs 5:1-14
2. The adulteress who would destroy your reputation. Proverbs 6:23-25; cf. verses 27-28
3. Who destroys even strong men through her seductions – Proverbs 7:1-27

➤ **A single act of passion can destroy your life!**

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LOVE YOUR WIFE ... Note 1 Kings 11

1. Rejoice and be ravished with her love. Proverbs 5:15-19
2. The Lord will know those who look elsewhere for love. Proverbs 5:20-23
3. Live joyfully with your wife. Ecclesiastes 9:9

➤ **Hebrews 13:4 “(Let) marriage (be) had in honor among all, and (let) the bed (be) undefiled: for fornicators and adulterers God will judge.”**

Lesson 4
Take Heed To Your Character

DON'T BE LAZY.

1. Laziness brings poverty. Proverbs 6:6-11; 10:4; 13:4
2. Learn to work. *Lamentation 3:27 "It is good for a man that he bear the yoke in his youth."*
3. *Ecclesiastes 9:10 "Whatever thy hand findeth to do, do (it) with thy might."*

➤ **Be industrious, avoid debt. cf. Romans 12:11; 13:8; cf. 2 Thessalonians 3:10**

Lesson 4
Take Heed To Your Character

KNOW WHAT IS AN ABOMINATION ...

1. Things God hates. Proverbs 6:16-19
2. Even our worship can be an abomination. Proverbs 28:9

➤ **We need to know what pleases God. Matthew 7:21ff**

Conclusion:

Take heed:

- To one's counselors (who will you listen to?)
- To one's goals (what will you do?)
- To one's relationships (who will you love?)
- To your character (whom will you become?)

➤ **Show Thyself A Man!**