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KINGS

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Abijah

Jehoshaphat

Rehoboam

Jehoram

Saul

David

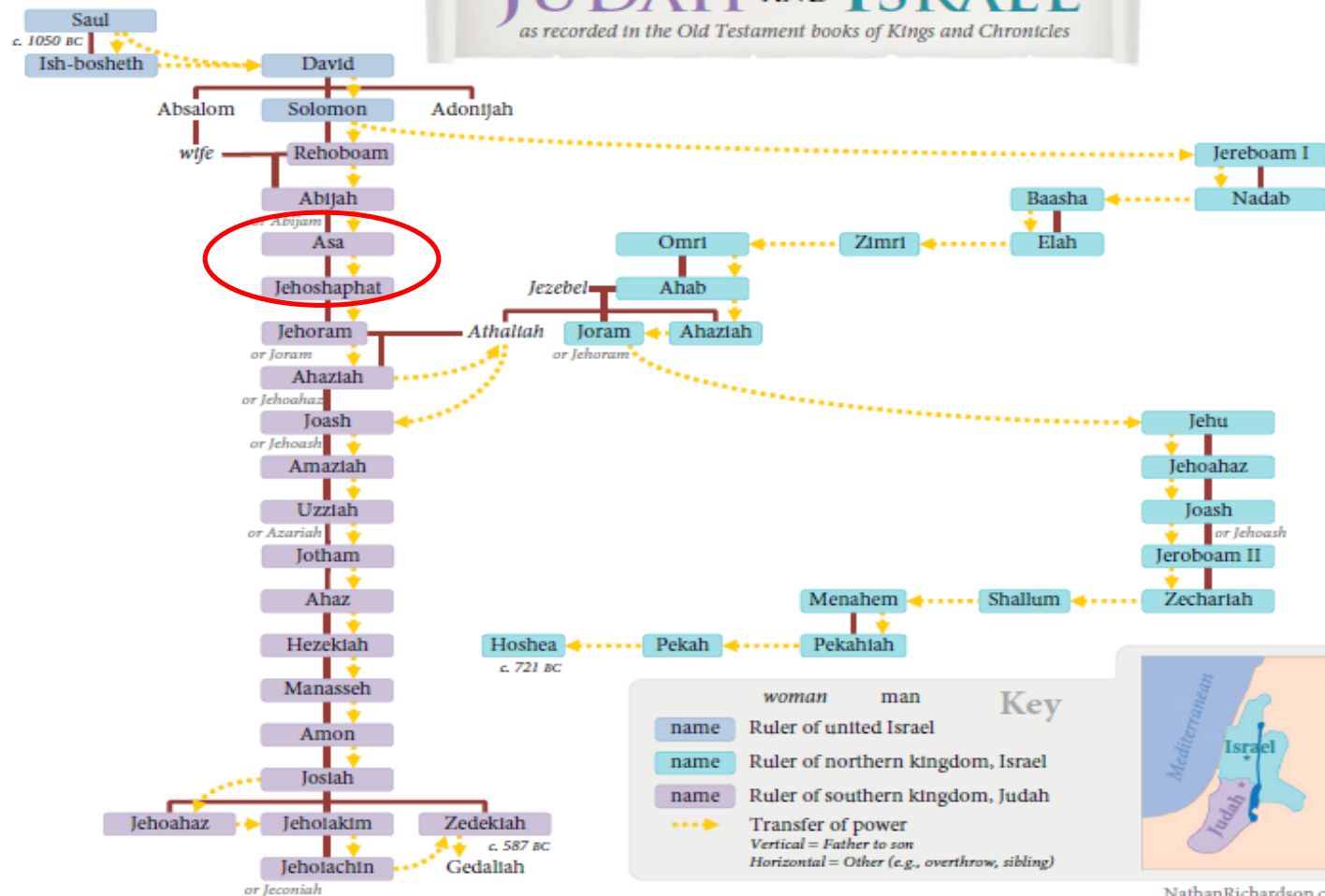
Asa

Solomon

KINGS OF JUDAH

GENEALOGY OF THE KINGS OF JUDAH AND ISRAEL

as recorded in the Old Testament books of Kings and Chronicles



LEADERSHIP LESSONS FROM KING JEHOASHAPHAT

2 Chronicles 17-21

LEADER?



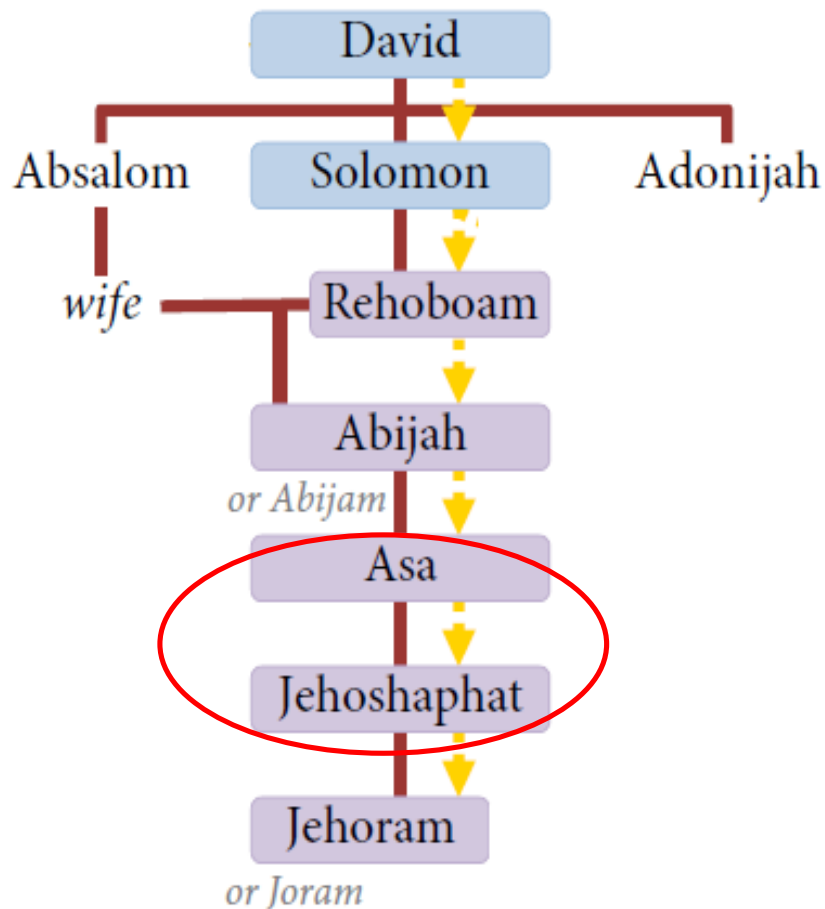
INFLUENCE



**Let's
Pray**



2 Chronicles



And Asa **did what was good and right in the eyes of the LORD** his God.

2 Chronicles 14:2

In the 39th year of his reign Asa was diseased in his feet, and his disease became severe. Yet even in his disease he **did not seek the LORD**, but sought help from physicians.

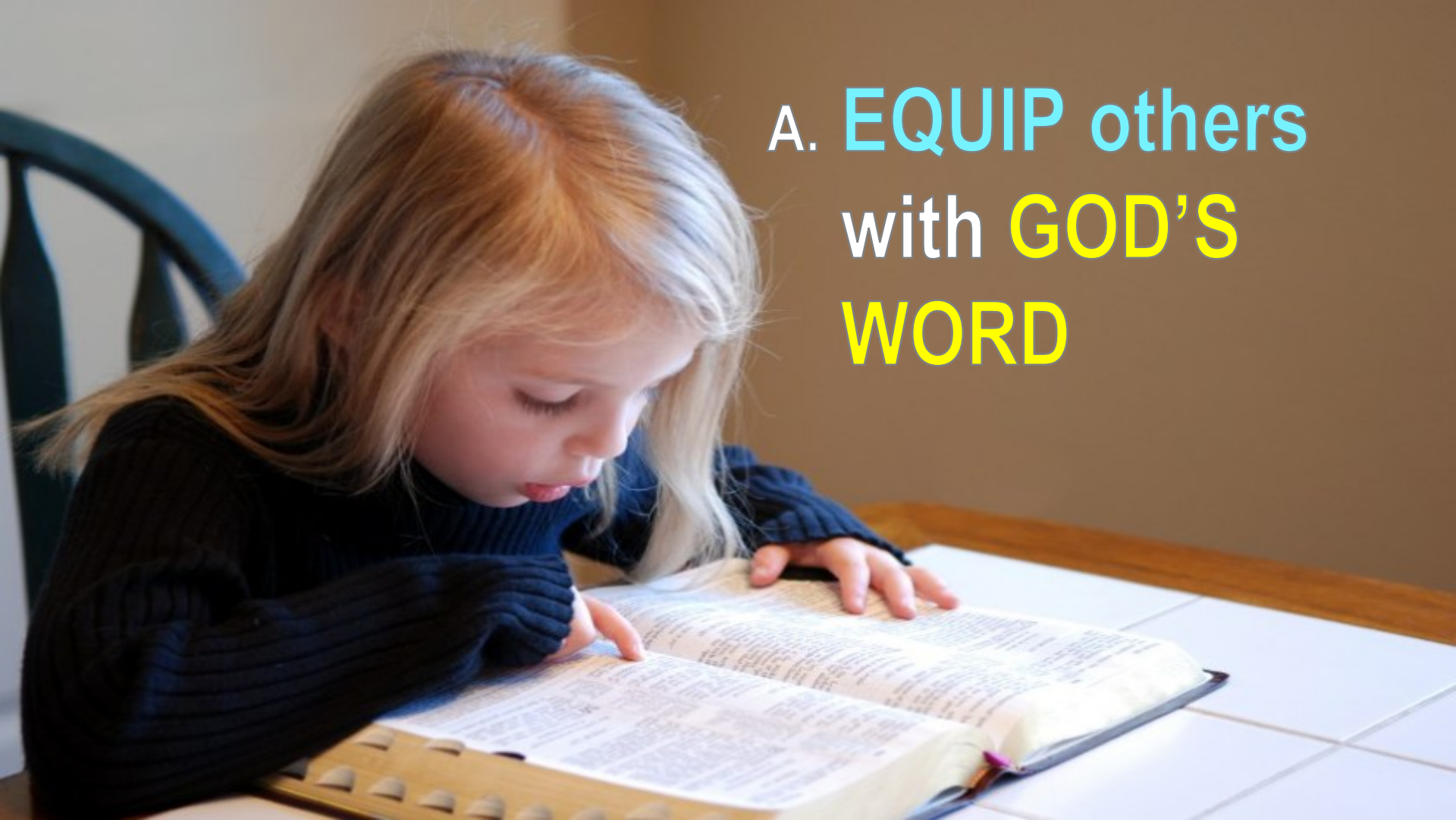
2 Chronicles 16:12

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2 Chronicles 17:1-6

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2 Chronicles 17:1-6

A young girl with long, light blonde hair is sitting at a wooden table, intently reading an open Bible. She is wearing a dark blue, ribbed turtleneck sweater. Her hands are resting on the pages of the Bible, which is open to a page with dense text. The background is a plain, light-colored wall. The text 'A. EQUIP others with GOD'S WORD' is overlaid on the right side of the image in a bold, sans-serif font. 'A. EQUIP others' is in light blue, 'with' is in white, and 'GOD'S WORD' is in bright yellow.

A. EQUIP others
with GOD'S
WORD

⁷ In the third year of his reign he sent his **officials**, Ben-hail, Obadiah, Zechariah, Nethanel, and Micaiah, to **teach** in the **cities of Judah**; ⁸ and with them the Levites, Shemaiah, Nethaniah, Zebadiah, Asahel, Shemiramoth, Jehonathan, Adonijah, Tobijah, and Tobadonijah; and with these **Levites**, the **priests** Elishama and Jehoram. ⁹ And they **taught** in Judah, having the **Book of the Law of the LORD** with them. They went about through all the **cities of Judah** and **taught** among the people.

2 Chronicles 17:7–9



¹⁰ And the **fear of the LORD** fell upon all the kingdoms of the lands that were around Judah, and they made **no war** against Jehoshaphat. ¹¹ Some of the **Philistines brought Jehoshaphat presents** and silver for tribute, and the **Arabians also brought him 7,700 rams and 7,700 goats.** ¹² And **Jehoshaphat grew steadily greater.** He built in Judah fortresses and store cities.

2 Chronicles 17:10-12



**WHEN A MAN'S WAYS PLEASE THE
LORD, HE MAKES EVEN HIS ENEMIES
TO BE AT PEACE WITH HIM.**

PROVERBS 16:7



THE DIVIDED KINGDOM





**GOD'S WORD
IS LIFE TRANSFORMING**



Have you been
studying/sharing
the Word of God?

**B. ENGAGE challenges with
GOD'S HELP**



¹ After this the **Moabites** and **Ammonites**, and with them some of the **Meunites**, came against Jehoshaphat for battle. ² Some men came and told Jehoshaphat, “A **great multitude is coming** against you from Edom, from beyond the sea; and, behold, they are in Hazazon-tamar” (that is, Engedi). ³ Then **Jehoshaphat was afraid** and set his face to seek the LORD, and **proclaimed a fast** throughout all Judah. ⁴ And Judah assembled to seek help from the LORD; from all the cities of Judah they came to seek the LORD.

2 Chronicles 20:1-4



¹² O our God, will you not execute judgment on them?
For we are **powerless** against this great horde that is coming against
us. **We do not know what to do, but our eyes are on you.**”



2 Chronicles 20:12

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2 Chronicles 20:1-4



¹⁴ And the Spirit of the LORD came upon **Jahaziel** the son of Zechariah, son of Benaiah, son of Jeiel, son of Mattaniah, a Levite of the sons of Asaph, in the midst of the assembly. ¹⁵ And he said, "Listen, all Judah and inhabitants of Jerusalem and King Jehoshaphat: Thus says the LORD to you, '**Do not be afraid** and **do not be dismayed** at this great horde, **for the battle is not yours but God's** ... ¹⁷ You will **not need to fight** in this battle. **Stand firm, hold your position**, and **see the salvation** of the LORD on your behalf, O Judah and Jerusalem.' **Do not be afraid** and **do not be dismayed**. Tomorrow go out against them, and the LORD will be with you."

2 Chronicles 20:14-15,17



²¹ And when he had taken counsel with the people, he **appointed those who were to sing to the LORD** and praise him in holy attire, as they went **before the army**, and say,

“Give thanks to the LORD,
for his steadfast love endures forever.”

2 Chronicles 20:21

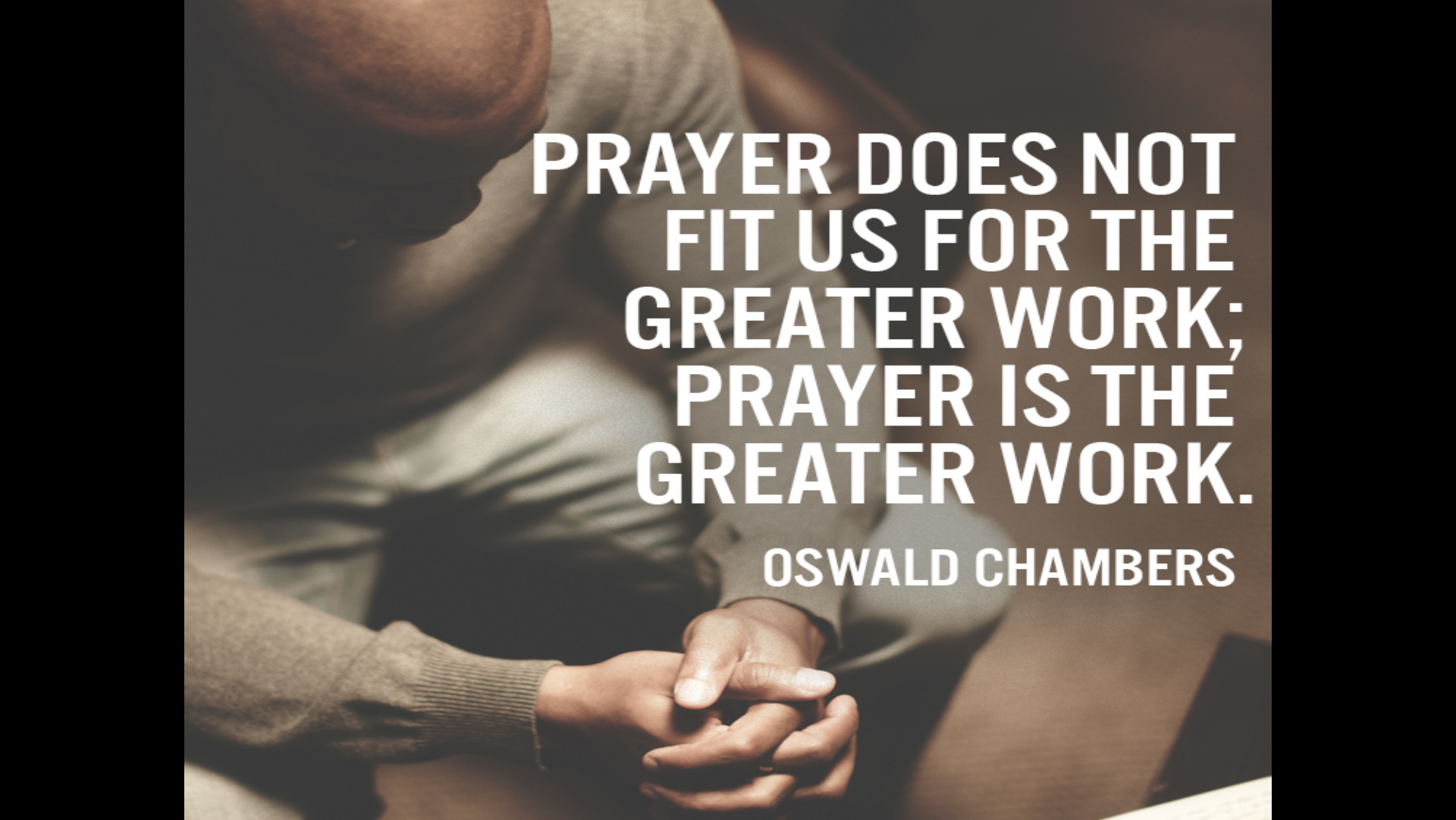




24 When Judah came to the watchtower of the wilderness, they looked toward the horde, and behold, there were **dead bodies** lying on the ground; **none had escaped**.

2 Chronicles 20:24



A close-up, low-angle shot of a person's hands clasped together in a prayerful gesture. The person is wearing a grey sweater. The background is dark and out of focus, emphasizing the hands and the text overlay.

**PRAYER DOES NOT
FIT US FOR THE
GREATER WORK;
PRAYER IS THE
GREATER WORK.**

OSWALD CHAMBERS

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2 Chronicles 20:21



²⁹ And the **fear of God** came on all the **kingdoms** of the countries when they heard that the LORD had fought against the enemies of Israel. ³⁰ So the realm of Jehoshaphat was **quiet**, for his God gave him **rest** all around.

2 Chronicles 20:29–30





Pray as the Lord leads us

40 DAYS
OF
PRAYER AND FASTING





**What challenges
are you facing?**

**Are you experiencing
God's peace?**

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What a Friend we have in Jesus!

O what peace we often forfeit,
O what needless pain we bear.
All because we do not carry,
everything to God in prayer!

c. **EXEMPLIFY** pursuit after
GOD'S HEART



2 Chronicles 17 ✓

2 Chronicles 18 ?

2 Chronicles 19 ?

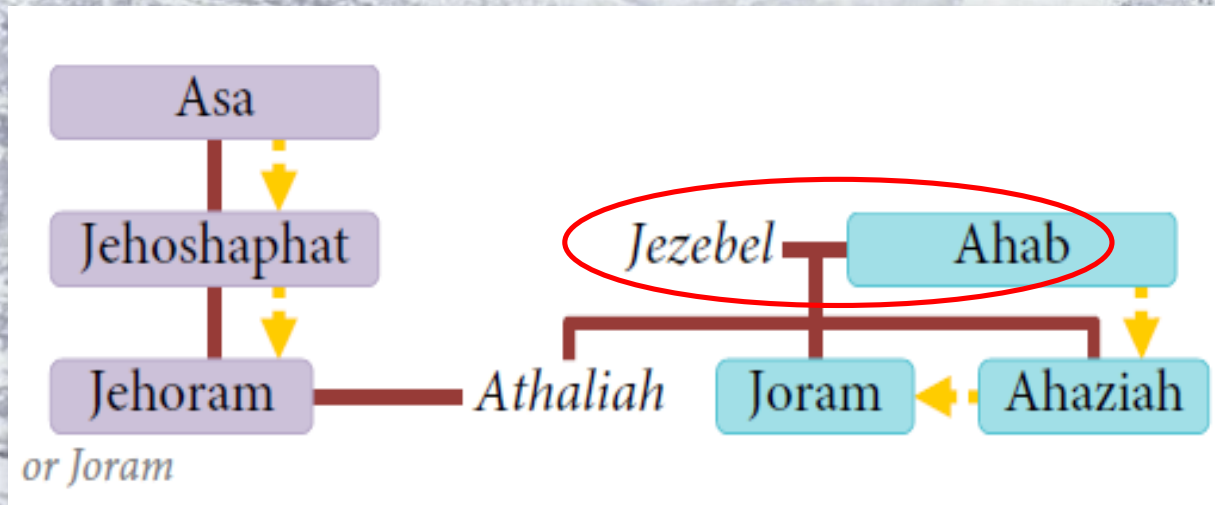
2 Chronicles 20 ✓



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2 Chronicles 18:1-3





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2 Chronicles 18:1-3



³⁵ After this **Jehoshaphat** king of Judah **joined with Ahaziah king of Israel, who acted wickedly.** ³⁶ He joined him in **building ships to go to Tarshish**, and they built the ships in Ezion-geber.

⁴⁸ Jehoshaphat made ships of Tarshish to go to Ophir **for gold**, but they did not go, for the ships were wrecked at Ezion-geber.

2 Chronicles 20:35-36, 1 Kings 22:48



⁶ His **heart was courageous** in the ways of the LORD. And furthermore, he took the high places and the Asherim out of Judah.

2 Chronicles 17:6

⁹ And he charged them: "Thus you shall do in the fear of the LORD, in faithfulness, and **with your whole heart**.

2 Chronicles 19:9

³³ The high places, however, were not taken away; the people **had not yet set their hearts upon the God** of their fathers.

2 Chronicles 20:33



¹ Jehoshaphat slept with his fathers and was buried with his fathers in the city of David, and **Jehoram his son reigned in his place** ... ⁴ When Jehoram had ascended the throne of his father and was established, he **killed all his brothers with the sword**, and also some of the princes of Israel. ⁵ Jehoram was thirty-two years old when he became king, and he reigned eight years in Jerusalem. ⁶ And he walked in the way of the kings of Israel, as the house of Ahab had done, **for the daughter of Ahab was his wife**. And he **did what was evil in the sight of the LORD**.

2 Chronicles 21:1, 4-6



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2 Chronicles 18:1-3



²⁰ He (Jehoram) was thirty-two years old when he began to reign,
and he reigned eight years in Jerusalem.
And he **departed with no one's regret...**

2 Chronicles 21:20

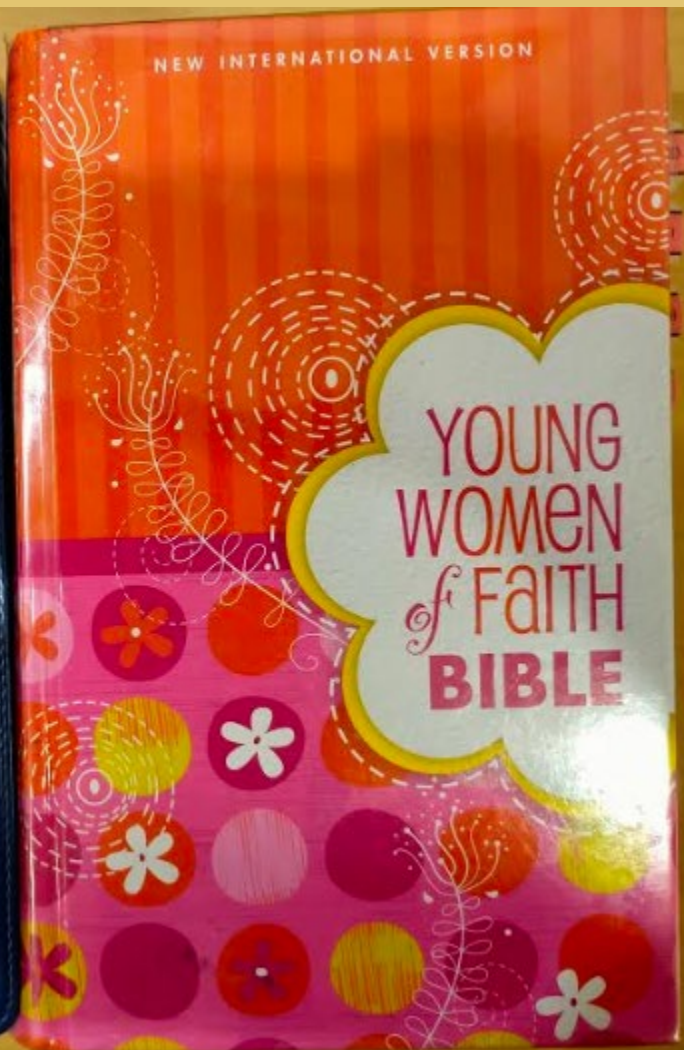


37 Then Eliezer the son of Dodavahu of Mareshah prophesied against Jehoshaphat, saying, “Because you have joined with Ahaziah, **the LORD will destroy what you have made.**”
And the ships were wrecked and were not able to go to Tarshish.

Jehoshaphat = **God has judged**

2 Chronicles 20:37





ONE GOD FOR ONE LIFE



Take my life and let it be;
consecrated Lord to Thee
Take my silver and my gold,
not a mite would I withhold,
not a mite would I withhold.

Take my will, and make it Thine;
it shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart; it is Thine own;
it shall be Thy royal throne,
it shall be Thy royal throne.





**Do you have
a heart that
pursues after
God's heart?**

LEADERSHIP LESSONS FROM KING JEHOSEPHAT

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- 2. Engage challenges with God's help**
- 3. Exemplify pursuit after God's heart**

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