

## I KINGS 2; May 11; Solomon Executes David's Sentences

### ANALYSIS:

1. David told Solomon to not let whose hoar head go down to the grave in peace? \_\_\_\_\_

2. Who had particularly shown kindness to David when he fled from Absalom? \_\_\_\_\_

3. What older brother of Solomon jeopardized his life by asking for Abishag the Shunammite for his wife? \_\_\_\_\_

4. Who was Solomon's chief captain who was quite accomplished at falling upon the enemies of the king? \_\_\_\_\_

5. What man left Jerusalem to search for his two servants at the loss of his life? \_\_\_\_\_

### THINGS TO THINK ABOUT:

Before he died, David solemnly charged Solomon to diligently walk in the ways of the LORD. "To charge" means to "instruct, warn, or urge authoritatively." David knew that the only way Solomon would be a great king was if he carefully kept all the commandments and statutes of the LORD as revealed in the Law of Moses. This charge of David to Solomon was the same charge that Joshua had given to Israel some 500 years earlier: "This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success." (Josh 1:8)

The same formula for success and prosperity exists today as it did in the days of Joshua and Solomon. The word of God must be the center and focus of our thoughts, activities, and very lives. Everything that we do should be structured around the word of God so that we can keep his commandments and thereby please the great God of heaven. Moses wrote, "And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart: And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up." (Duet 6:6-7) Is this a picture of how your family is centered around the word of God? If it is not, make the necessary changes today to emphasize the Scriptures in your family's life!

### HELP:

1. Joab's (vv 5-6).
2. Barzillai, the Gileadite (v 7).
3. Adonijah (vv 13-25).
4. Benaiah (v 35).
5. Shimei (vv 36-46).