

THE PURSUIT OF WISDOM, FOUNDATIONS OF FAITH, WHEN LIFE GETS HARD

O.T. Study - Choosing God's Way - *His Awesome Presence!* - September 9, 2018

Text: 1 Kings 8:1-61

Intro: Today we look at the dedication of the temple. The event is recorded in today's text of 1 Kings and also in 2 Chronicles. Read 2 Chronicles 7:1-3. What thoughts come to mind when you read that passage? Are there any lessons for us today in this passage?

After 7 years of construction, Solomon gets to dedicate the temple. Today we will look at what kind of house Solomon dedicated to the Lord.

1. (8:1-11) It was a house of _____!

Why do you think Solomon assembled the elders, heads of tribes, & other leaders?

Is there any significance in the way they transported the ark?

Why do you think they offered so many sacrifices?

What do you make of 8:11?

2. (8:12-21) It was a house of T_____Y! God keeps His W_____.

What is the reference to the "thick darkness"? (Ex.19:19) Why do you think Solomon said this?

(8:15-21) What did Solomon say God did for them to show his "goodness & faithfulness"?

3.(8:22-53) It was a house of P_____!

In Solomon's prayer, what did he acknowledge about God in vss.22-27?

(8:28-53) Solomon prays that the house:

Be used for God's G _____! (v.28)

Be a place used in His N _____! (v.29)

Be a place where their P _____ are heard! (vs.29)

Be a place of F _____! (v.30)

Be a place of J _____! (vs.31-32)

Be a place of R _____! (vs.33-34)

Be a place of R _____! (vs.35-36)

Be a place of H _____! (vs.37-39)

Be a place of R _____! (v.40)

Be a place of R _____! (v.41-43)

Be a place to P _____ for battle! (vs.44-45)

Be a place to regain F _____ from sin! (vs.46-50)

Be a place to build their H _____! (vs.51-53)

4. (8:54-61) It was a house of P _____!

What encouragement can we take for ourselves from verse 56?

What prayer requests are prayed by Solomon in vss. 57-60?

Verse 61 gives us a summary of how we should live our lives. Describe that life.

O.T. Study - Choosing God's Way - *Wise Up!* - September 2, 2018

Text: 1 Kings 2 - 3

Intro: What did you wish for as a child, a young adult, and now in your "Golden Years"? How do you explain the differences in things we wanted?