

Standing for God's Kingdom

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1 Kings 1:11-31

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Introduction

- 1 Kings 1:1-2:10 finishes out David's life
- Fits with our Series *"Promise of a Messianic King"*
- Last week we saw Adonijah self-exalt himself into becoming king¹⁵...

The Fight for Who Will Rule

- Nathan goes to Bathsheba and informs her of Adonijah's self-coronation
- Nathan lays out a wise plan to inform King David¹¹⁻¹²
- Bathsheba asks David why Adonijah is king since David promised Solomon
- Bathsheba challenges David to take action as God's anointed King
- Nathan entered and confirmed Bathsheba's words
- David is motivated to act

Lessons to be learned from Nathan and Bathsheba

- Honor God's King - both Nathan & Bathsheba honored David though feeble
- We are to honor Jesus Christ - the True King^{Lk2:4-5;1:32-33;Rom1:1-4;Lk20:42-44;Rev19:16}
- Jesus sits on the eternal throne promised to David - we should honor Him!
- Honor Him w/ worship, obedience to His royal decrees
- Live Like You Believe Kingdom Promises - they believed promises and acted
- Bathsheba = 'daughter of an oath'; wordplay w/ swear/oath^{13,17}
- We have kingdom promises of God^{Mt3:2;4:17;Lk17:20-21}
- Jesus' Kingdom^{Mt18:3;Jn3:3-8} = the rule & dominion of God which He established by His death and resurrection
- Peter taught us how to be in Kingdom: Acts 2:38
- Kingdom has come, but yet to be consummated - why we pray^{Mt6:10}
- We're to remember Jesus' words of comfort^{Jn14:1-3}
- We're to remember God is in control^{Mt24:14} though things look otherwise
- Keep Working for Kingdom Promises - Imagine how they felt¹¹⁻¹² but acted...
- Once David was informed he took decisive action²⁹⁻³⁰ - no longer feeble...

So What? How Do I Apply This?

- We have Nathan & Bathsheba working to protect God's Kingdom
- Adonijah selfishly rejects God's plan for the kingdom – puts self in charge
- God has placed and will keep His True King on the throne
- When true king is placed - the world trembled and faded away⁴⁹
- We are to be Kingdom focused in our lives
- God redeemed you to serve Him^{1Cor10:31;Col3:17;1Pet4:10-11} so live like you believe
- We can do kingdom work everyday by following kingdom law
- Live with Fruit of the Spirit^{Gal5:22-23;Eph5:8-9;Col3:12-14;2Pet1:5-8}
- Be careful to live out the 10 Words & live for God's glory^{1Pet2:13-17;Tit3:1;Act5:29}
- God gives us His Spirit so we can obey Him for His glory^{Gal5:16-18;Jn14:16-17}