

JESUS IN 1 KINGS

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“Arise, go to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and dwell there. See, I have commanded a widow there to provide for you.” -1 Kings 17:9

During the period of the kings of Israel and Judah, a prophet lived by the name of Elijah the Tishbite. In 1 Kings 17, Elijah prophesies of a severe drought that was to plague the land. Many suffered greatly and eventually the place of refuge for Elijah dried up. Then God told Elijah to leave Israel and go the Gentiles and meet a Sidonian Widow in a place called Zarephath. God would deliver Elijah through her and her family. Elijah would even bring her son back to life! But the significant aspect of this story is that surely many widows existed of the house of Israel that could have prospered instead of this Gentile woman, but it was this widow that God chose.

Jesus in [Luke 4:16-30](#) has an interesting episode where He was nearly killed by the people He grew up around in Nazareth. In verses 18, 19 He quotes [Isaiah 61:1, 2](#) and then tells the Nazarenes that He was fulfilling this prophecy. But they rejected it.

Because of their rejection Jesus said that famous line, “Assuredly, I say to you, no prophet is accepted in his own country.” (verse 24) However, there is more to this than just verse 24, Jesus then, as a textual proof, reminds them of the widow in Zarephath being cared for instead of the Israelite widows! Sometimes it takes being a stranger to truly appreciate the Gospel!

While in sin, we are all strangers, and Jesus is calling. Don't be like the Nazarenes and reject the Messiah, but accept the call in obedience! Obedience begins by believing in Him which includes confessing Him ([Romans 10:8, 9](#)), repenting of our sins ([Acts 2:28](#)), being baptized into Christ ([Galatians 3:27](#)), and living faithfully until death ([Revelation 2:10](#)):-



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“They...searched the scriptures daily...” –Acts 17:11

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June 11-16

Preaching: Nick Greenman
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1167 S. Lowry Street, Smyrna, TN 37167

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JESUS IN 1 CHRONICLES

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“And these were born to him in Jerusalem: Shimea, Shobab, Nathan, and Solomon – four by Bathshua the daughter of Ammiel.” -1 Chronicles 3:5 NKJV

When you read the two books of Chronicles it is uniquely different from their parallel counterparts in 2 Samuel, 1 Kings, and 2 Kings. The books of Chronicles is not just a simple retelling of the history that was already stated in the other books just mentioned, but it is a narrative that focuses on the religious aspect of God’s people with a special emphasis on the House of David.

Connecting this to Jesus may seem simple and obvious with Solomon, therefore, I wanted to focus on a little known brother to Solomon. To my knowledge only here and one other place do we see Solomon’s brother even mentioned. However, we would do well to pay attention to little brother because his name is Nathan.

When you consider the family heritage of Jesus, we go to two passages in the New Testament. We visit Matthew 1 and Luke 3. However, one learns quickly that the two genealogies do not match. Also of note is the fact that Matthew’s account includes a man’s family line that is cursed to never have a son sit on the throne of David again (Jeremiah 36:30, 31). So it is no wonder that Jesus is not a blood descendant of Jehoiakim. Yet, who is to be a son of David to sit on the throne forever? Jesus is certainly that son because we have Luke 3, which after study, I conclude to be Mary’s genealogy. Note how Luke and Matthew are in agreement until you mention the son of David. In Matthew Solomon is mentioned (Matthew 1:6), and in Luke it is Nathan (Luke 3:31). Jesus is the King!

Will you submit and follow your king? To submit and to follow requires obedience. Obedience begins by believing in Him which includes confessing Him (Romans 10:8, 9), repenting of our sins (Acts 2:28), being baptized into Christ (Galatians 3:27), and living faithfully until death (Revelation 2:10). -

JESUS IN 2 CHRONICLES

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““And when the queen of Sheba had seen the wisdom of Solomon...she said, ‘It was a true report which I heard in my own land about your words and your wisdom.’”

-2 Chronicles 9:3-5 NKJV

Solomon was asked by God what he wanted as king, and instead of asking for riches or power, he asked for wisdom. Because of his answer, God granted all to him, and his reputation was so admired and stretched abroad, that even the Queen of Sheba came to see for herself. She soon found he was indeed as wise as his reputation said. Solomon was truly the wisest man to ever live until Jesus of Nazareth. [continued...]

JESUS IN 2 CHRONICLES (CONT.)

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Jesus, without a doubt, usurps Solomon as being the wisest. In Matthew 12:38-42, the Pharisees were wanting Jesus to show another sign. They were not genuine in their request, but it was a means to not believe. Jesus called them out and contrasted them to the Ninevites who were not Jews but willing to accept God’s word. He then contrasted them with the Queen of Sheba who was also a Gentile. “The queen of the South will rise up in the judgment with this generation and condemn it, for she came from the ends of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon; and indeed a greater than Solomon is here.” (Vs 42) The Gentiles referenced by Jesus had more faith than Jews who were witness to Him who was greater than Jonah or Solomon.

What about us? Do we lack faith in the Greater or will the Ninevites and the Queen of Sheba judge us in the last day? That faith in the Greater requires obedience. Obedience begins by believing in Him which includes confessing Him (Rom. 10:8, 9), repenting of our sins (Acts 2:28), being baptized into Christ (Galatians 3:27), and living faithfully until death (Revelation 2:10). -

DUTY LIST...

SUNDAY MORNING

- Announcements.....Michael Pickford
- Scripture Reading...Kenny Todd
Reading: 1 Peter 5:5-11
- Song Leader.....Michael Pickford
- Opening Prayer.....Tony Jenkins
- Lord’s Table:
 - Lead.....John Nelson
 - Serve.....Kenny Johnson
 - Serve.....Lynn Buttrey
- Closing Prayer.....Jeff Isbell

Gospel Meeting Nightly Song Leaders

- Sunday.....Lynn Buttrey
- Monday.....Tony Jenkins
- Tuesday.....Michael Pickford
- Wednesday.....Kenny Johnson
- Thursday.....Kenny Todd
- Friday.....Michael Pickford

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There is only one true saving plan of Salvation outlined in Scripture. No substitutes will do. Have you really been saved? Get out your Bible and study the plan below.

- Hear The Gospel: Romans 10:17
- Believe: Mark 16:16; John 8:24
- Repent of Sin: Acts 2:38; 17:30
- Confess Faith: Romans 10:9, 10
- Be Baptized: Mark 16:16;
Acts 2:38; Acts 22:16; 1 Peter 3:21
- Remain Faithful: Rev. 2:10

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