

# 1 KINGS

**United Kingdom 1:1–11:43**  
**40 Years**

**1:1–2:46** Establishment of Solomon  
**Adonijah, Accession, David's Death, Executions**

**3:1–8:66** Rise of Solomon  
**Marriage, Wisdom Administration,  
Temple, Dedication, Glory**

**9:1–11:43** Decline of Solomon  
**Polygamy, Idolatry, Death**

**Key Person: Solomon**

**1A God provides for the transition of the Kingship from David to Solomon in fulfillment of the Davidic covenant (1 Kgs 1–11)**

**1B Transfer of the kingdom from David to Solomon (1:1–2:12)**

**1C David coronates Solomon despite Adonijah's power grab (1)**

**2C David's final exhortation to Solomon regarding covenant faithfulness and David's foes and friends (2:1–12)**

# DAVIDIC COVENANT

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*2 Sam 7:12–16*

*Psa. 89*

*1 Chron. 17:11–14*

## ETERNAL HOUSE

*2 Sam 7:11, 13a, 16*

*1 Chron 17:10*

## ETERNAL KINGDOM

*2 Sam. 7:12c*

*1 Chron. 17:14*

## ETERNAL THRONE

*2 Sam 7:13*

*1 Chron. 17:12b, 14*

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כָּזָזָה *chāzaq*: “to be strong, to strengthen, to be courageous, to overpower.”

**Deuteronomy 11:8, “Therefore you shall keep every commandment which I command you today, that you may be strong, and go in and possess the land which you cross over to possess.”**

**Deuteronomy 31:23, “Then He inaugurated Joshua the son of Nun, and said, ‘Be strong and of good courage; for you shall bring the children of Israel into the land of which I swore to them, and I will be with you.’”**

**Joshua 1:9, “Have I not commanded you? Be strong and of good courage; do not be afraid, nor be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go.”**



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מִשְׁמֶרֶת (*mishmereth*), “**mandate**, guard, charge, duty, responsibility, commission.”

**1 Kings 2:4, “so that the LORD may carry out His promise which He spoke concerning me, saying, ‘If your sons are careful of their way, to walk before Me in truth with all their heart and with all their soul, you shall not lack a man on the throne of Israel.’”**

**Deuteronomy 5:33, “You shall walk in all the ways which the LORD your God has commanded you, that you may live and *that it may be well with you*, and *that you may prolong your days* in the land which you shall possess.”**

**Deuteronomy 8:6, “Therefore you shall keep the commandments of the LORD your God, to walk in His ways and to fear Him.”**

**Deuteronomy 11:22, “For if you carefully keep all these commandments which I command you to do – to love the LORD your God, to walk in all His ways, and to hold fast to Him –”**

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שָׂכַל (sékel) Hiphel, impf.

“to act with insight, to be prudent, to give insight, to teach, to prosper, to consider, to ponder, to understand, to act prudently, to act with devotion.”

Translated as Discretion in 1 Chron 22:12

**1 Chronicles 22:11, “Now, my son, may the LORD be with you; and may you prosper, and build the house of the LORD your God, as He has said to you.**

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בִּינָה (*biynah*), “understanding, comprehension, discernment, righteous action”

1 Chronicles 22:13, “Then you will **prosper**, if you take care to fulfill [keep - *shamar*] the statutes and judgments with which the LORD charged Moses concerning Israel. Be strong and of good courage; do not fear nor be dismayed.”

נצַלַח (*tsalach*) “to prosper,  
succeed, to be victorious”





Acco

Sea of Galilee  
(Sea of Kinnereth)

Tiberias  
Nazareth

▲ Mt. Tabor  
▲ Mt. Moreh

Kishon R.  
Mt. Carmel

Yarmuk R.

Mt. Gilboa

PLAIN OF SHARON

HILL COUNTRY  
OF EPHRAIM

Jordan R.

Mt. Ebal

Shechem

Jabbok R.

Tel Aviv  
Joppa

Yarkon R.

▲ Mt. Gerizim

BENJAMIN  
MTS.

Rabbah  
(Amman)

Jericho

Mt. of Olives

Mt. Nebo

Jerusalem

ABARIM  
MTS.

Bethlehem

FOOTHILLS (SHEPHELAH)  
JUDEAN  
MTS.

Hebron

En Gedi

Ammon R.  
Dead Sea  
(Salt Sea)

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Besor R.

Beersheba

NEGEV

