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## STUDY GUIDE WEEK 29

July 16

2 CHRONICLES 22-24

1. In 2 Chronicles 22, who protects young Joash from being killed by Queen Athaliah?

2. How is Joash crowned king in 2 Chronicles 23?

3. In 2 chronicles 24, what does King Joash do to restore the temple?

4. What role does the priest Jehoiada play in the events of 2 Chronicles 22-24?

*Discussion Question: How do the events in 2 Chronicles 22-24 emphasize the importance of preserving the line of David, the significance of righteous leaders, and the need to prioritize the worship of God?*



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# July 17

## 2 CHRONICLES 25-27

1. In 2 Chronicles 25, what does King Amaziah of Judah do after his victory over the Edomites?

2. How does King Uzziah become successful in 2 Chronicles 26?

3. What leads to Uzziah's downfall in 2 Chronicles 26?

4. How does King Jotham's reign compare to the reigns of his father Amaziah and his son Ahaz in 2 Chronicles 25-27?

*Discussion Question: How do the events in 2 Chronicles 25-27 illustrate the consequences of idolatry, the importance of humility, and the need for leaders to respect God's established order?*

# July 18

## 2 CHRONICLES 28-30

1. In 2 Chronicles 28, what is the outcome of King Ahaz's rule over Judah?

2. What does King Hezekiah do to cleanse the temple in 2 Chronicles 29?

3. How does Hezekiah invite the people of Israel to celebrate the Passover in 2 Chronicles 30?

4. What role does the prophet Oded play in 2 Chronicles 28?

*Discussion Question: How do the events in 2 Chronicles 28-30 demonstrate the consequences of unfaithfulness to God, the importance of spiritual renewal, and the need for unity among the people of Israel?*

# July 19

## 2 CHRONICLES 31-33

1. What reforms does King Hezekiah implement in 2 Chronicles 31?

2. How does Hezekiah respond when the Assyrians threaten Jerusalem in 2 Chronicles 32?

3. In 2 Chronicles 33, how does King Manasseh lead Judah astray?

4. How do the people of Judah respond to Hezekiah's call for support in 2 Chronicles 31?

*Discussion Question: How do the events in 2 Chronicles 31-33 show the importance of continued faithfulness to God, seeking His help in times of crisis, and the consequences of leading others into sin?*

# July 20

## 2 CHRONICLES 34-36

1. What is found in the temple during King Josiah's reign in 2 Chronicles 34?

2. What does Josiah do after hearing the words of the Book of the Law in 2 Chronicles 34?

3. What happens to Judah after Josiah's death in 2 Chronicles 36?

4. What is the response of the people of Judah and Jerusalem when Josiah reads the Book of the Law.

*Discussion Question: How do the events in 2 Chronicles 34-36 illustrate the importance of rediscovering God's Word, the power of repentance and renewal, and the consequences of disobedience and unfaithfulness to God?*

# July 21

## EZRA 1-5

1. Who issues a decree allowing the Jews to return to Jerusalem and rebuild the temple in Ezra 1?

2. What challenges do the returning exiles face while trying to rebuild the temple in Ezra 4?

3. How do the prophets Haggai and Zechariah encourage the people in Ezra 5?

4. Who are the leaders of the first group of returning exiles in Ezra 2?

*Discussion Question: How do the events in Ezra 1-5 emphasize the importance of perseverance in the face of opposition, the role of prophetic encouragement, and the significance of restoring the worship of God after a period of exile?*

# July 22

## EZRA 6-10

1. How does King Darius respond when he finds the decree of Cyrus in Ezra 6?

2. What is the response of the people when the temple is completed in Ezra 6?

3. In Ezra 7, what is Ezra's mission when he is sent to Jerusalem by King Artaxerxes?

4. What issue does Ezra address in Ezra 10, and how does he resolve it?

*Discussion Question: How do the events in Ezra 6-10 demonstrate the importance of God's providential care, the role of spiritual leaders in teaching God's law, and the need for maintaining a distinct identity as God's people?*



# The Answers

## JULY 16

1. Jehosheba, the daughter of King Jehoram, hides Joash and his nurse in the temple.
2. The priest Jehoiada leads a conspiracy to overthrow Athaliah and anoints Joash as king in the temple.
3. He organizes a collection of offerings from the people to repair and restore the temple.
4. Jehoiada helps protect and eventually crown the young Joash, guiding him in his early years as king and overseeing the restoration of the temple.

## JULY 17

1. He brings the idols of the Edomites back to Judah and begins to worship them.
2. Uzziah is successful because he seeks the Lord and follows the instructions of the prophet Zechariah.
3. Uzziah becomes prideful and attempts to burn incense in the temple, a task reserved for priests. God strikes him with leprosy as punishment.
4. Jotham's reign is more faithful to God than both his father's and his son's, with fewer instances of idolatry and more focus on following the Lord.

## JULY 18

1. Ahaz leads Judah into idolatry and the nation suffers from various military defeats.
2. He orders the Levites and priests to remove all defilement from the temple and reconsecrate it.
3. He sends messengers throughout Israel and Judah, inviting them to come to Jerusalem and celebrate the Passover.
4. Oded warns the people of Israel not to enslave the people of Judah, leading to the release of the captives.

## JULY 19

1. He organizes the priests and Levites, restores the contributions for the temple, and removes idolatry from the land.
2. He seeks the Lord's help, fortifies the city, and encourages the people to trust in God.
3. Manasseh rebuilds the high places, erects altars for idols, and practices various forms of wickedness.
4. They generously contribute to the temple's needs by bringing tithes, offerings, and other gifts.

# The Answers

## JULY 20

1. The Book of the Law.
2. He initiates religious reforms throughout the kingdom, removes idolatry, and leads the people in renewing their covenant with God.
3. Judah is eventually conquered by the Babylonians, the temple is destroyed, and the people are taken into exile.
4. The people pledge themselves to the covenant and promise to follow the Lord's commands, as written in the Book of the Law.

## JULY 21

1. King Cyrus of Persia.
2. They face opposition from the neighboring people who try to discourage them and cause delays by sending accusations to the Persian kings.
3. They encourage the people to resume the temple's construction and assure them of God's support.
4. Zerubbabel, Jeshua, and other family and tribal leaders.

## JULY 22

1. He orders the temple's construction to be completed without interference and provides financial support from the royal treasury.
2. The people celebrate with joy, dedicating the temple with sacrifices and observing the Passover and the Festival of Unleavened Bread.
3. To teach the people God's laws and ensure that they are being followed.
4. He addresses the issue of the Jewish people marrying foreign women, leading them to confess their sins and send away their foreign wives and children.

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