



CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH

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TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READING

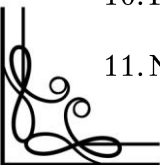

2 Chronicles 22:1-12

In 1989, our dear shepherd at that time, Pastor Ron Blough, initiated our reading through a portion of the 66 books of the Bible as a congregation, typically a chapter each Sunday. Since then, we have been through the entire Bible one full time and are currently in Second Chronicles, the 14th book of the Bible.



TODAY'S SERVICE



1. Hymn #151 - "Hiding in Thee"
 2. Opening Prayer & Announcements
 3. Hymn #171 - "A Shelter in the Time of Storm"
 4. Hymn #177 - "Children of the Heavenly Father"
 5. Hymn #239- "In Christ Alone"
 6. Reading: **Bro. Cullen G.**
 7. **Message:** "A Tale of Three Women"
 8. Hymn #388 - "I Know Whom I Have Believed"
 9. Benediction
 10. Fellowship Meal
 11. No Sunday Evening Service
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A TALE of THREE WOMEN

The LORD Protects the Davidic Covenant

Now when Athaliah the mother of Ahaziah saw that her son was dead, she arose and destroyed all the royal family of the house of Judah. But Jehoshabeath, the daughter of the king, took Joash the son of Ahaziah and stole him away from among the king's sons who were about to be put to death, and she put him and his nurse in a bedroom. Thus Jehoshabeath, the daughter of King Jehoram and wife of Jehoiada the priest, because she was a sister of Ahaziah, hid him from Athaliah, so that she did not put him to death.

2 CHRONICLES 22:10-11, ESV

I. the BREAKDOWN of the CHAPTER

A. Ahaziah Reigns in Judah (cf. 2 Ki 8:25-9:29)

1. a rascal crowned king, vv1-4
2. a ruin of two kings by God's design, vv5-9

B. Athaliah Reigns in Judah (cf. 2 Ki 11:1-3)

1. destruction loomed over the house of David, v10
2. divine providence saves one son alive, vv11-12

II. the BLESSING EMPHASIZED from OUR PRIMARY TEXT

A. the Wicked Traits of Athaliah

1. idolatrous, 2 Chr 21:6
2. selfishly ambitious, 2 Chr 22:10a
3. murderous, 2 Chr 22:10b

B. the Wonderfully God-fearing Character of Jehoshabeath

1. feared the LORD, 2 Chr 22:11a
2. faithful, 2 Chr 22:11b
3. wise, 2 Chr 22:11c
4. discreet, 2 Chr 22:12

C. the Wise Conclusions We May Draw & Apply

1. perverse idolatry will meet God's judgment
2. powerful influence of both godly & ungodly character
3. prominent importance God places upon the Davidic covenant
4. prudent inspection of Christ and His gospel

QUOTE of the WEEK

Furthermore, *the faith here intended is the duty of all men.* Read the text again: “Whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ is born of God.” It can never be less than man’s duty to believe the truth; that Jesus is the Christ is the truth, and it is the duty of every man to believe it. I understand here by “believing,” confidence in Christ, and it is surely the duty of men to confide in that which is worthy of confidence, and that Jesus Christ is worthy of the confidence of all men is certain, it is therefore the duty of men to confide in him.

Inasmuch as the gospel command, “Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved,” is addressed by divine authority to every creature, it is the duty of every man so to do....

At the same time, *this faith, wherever it exists, is in every case, without exception, the gift of God and the work of the Holy Spirit.* Never yet did a man believe in Jesus with the faith here intended, except the Holy Spirit led him to do so. He has wrought all our works in us, and our faith too. Faith is too celestial a grace to spring up in human nature till it is renewed: faith is in every believer “the gift of God.” You will say to me, “Are these two things consistent?” I reply, “Certainly, for they are both true.” “How consistent?” say you. “How inconsistent?” say I, and you shall have as much difficulty to prove them inconsistent as I to prove them consistent. Experience makes them consistent, if theory does not. Men are convinced by the Holy Spirit of sin— “of sin,” saith Christ, “because they believe not on me;” here is one of the truths; but the selfsame hearts are taught by the same Spirit that faith is of the operation of God. (Col ii. 12.) Brethren, be willing to see both sides of the shield of truth. Rise above the babyhood which cannot believe two doctrines until it sees the connecting link. Have you not two eyes, man? Must you needs put one of them out in order to see clearly? Is it impossible to you to use a spiritual stereoscope, and look at two views of truth until they melt into one, and that one becomes more real and actual because it is made up of two? Many men refuse to see more than one side of a doctrine, and persistently fight against anything which is not on its very surface consistent with their own idea. In the present case I do not find it difficult to believe faith to be at the same time the duty of man and the gift of God; and if others cannot accept the two truths, I am not responsible for their rejection of them; my duty is performed when I have honestly borne witness to them. [*emphasis in original*]

“Faith and Regeneration” from the text, 1 John 5:1

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This Week's Bible Portions from *Robert Murray McCheyne's "Daily Bread"*

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FAMILY READINGS			PRIVATE READINGS	
Exodus 16	Luke 19	5	Job 34	2 Cor. 4
Exodus 17	Luke 20	6	Job 35	2 Cor. 5
Exodus 18	Luke 21	7	Job 36	2 Cor. 6
Exodus 19	Luke 22	8	Job 37	2 Cor. 7
Exodus 20	Luke 23	9	Job 38	2 Cor. 8
Exodus 21	Luke 24	10	Job 39	2 Cor. 9
Exodus 22	John 1	11	Job 40	2 Cor. 10
Exodus 23	John 2	12	Job 41	2 Cor. 11

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