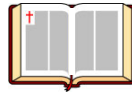


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RTBP Schedule

May 30	Songs of Solomon, Ecclesiastes
June 6	The Kingdom Divided
June 13	The Prophets begin to Prophesy
June 20	Era of Jeroboam; Jonah, Hosea, Amos
June 27	Prophecy of Isaiah
July 4	The beginnings of Captivity
July 11	The Fall of Israel
July 18	Spiritual Decline Under Manasseh
July 25	Isaiah, Jeremiah and others
Aug 1	Jeremiah continues

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Old Testament 39 Books



Pentateuch

Genesis
Exodus
Leviticus
Numbers
Deuteronomy



History

Joshua
Judges
Ruth
1&2 Samuel
1&2 Kings
1&2 Chronicles
Ezra
Nehemiah
Esther



Poetry

Job
Psalms
Proverbs
Ecclesiastes
Song of Solomon



Prophecy

Isaiah
Jeremiah
Lamentations
Ezekiel
Daniel
Hosea
Joel
Amos
Obadiah
Jonah
Micah
Nahum
Habakkuk
Zephaniah
Haggai
Zechariah
Malachi

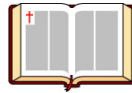
What happened in Last week's reading

- Psalms of the Messiah
- Solomon Becomes King
- Solomon Secures His Kingship
- Solomon Blessed with Wisdom
- Building the Temple

Unless the LORD builds the house, those who build it labor in vain. Unless the LORD watches over the city, the watchman stays awake in vain. It is in vain that you rise up early and go late to rest, eating the bread of anxious toil; for he gives to his beloved sleep. Psalm 127

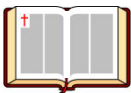
King Solomon

Son of David and Bethsheba. Not in line of succession; designated by David on his deathbed
Amnon, Absalom dead. Adonijah, next in line
Succession struggle with Adonijah (Dave Stone v. Kyle)
Chooses wisdom over long life or riches. Gets them all
David not allowed to build temple; Solomon's job
Wrote Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, Song of Solomon
Made shrewd alliances
Tolerant of other religions/cultures
Expanded territory and trade
Kingdom split after his reign ended and Israel ultimately fell



What's It Mean?

- The wisdom of Solomon.
- Solomon had 700 wives and 300 concubines.
- The foolishness of Solomon.
- The rise and fall of Solomon (and Israel) is an illustration of the perils of money, influence, compromise and power. . .and not keeping the main thing the main thing.



The Temples of God

- The Tabernacle – a tent. Used 400 years
- Solomon's Temple – destroyed in 586 B.C.
- Synagogues – arose during captivity
- Zerubbabel's Temple – built after return from captivity. Stood for 500 years
- Herod's temple – destroyed by Romans in 70 A.D.
- Christ's body – John 4:20-24
- The Church – 1 Corinthians 3:16-19
- You and me – 1 Cor. 6:19

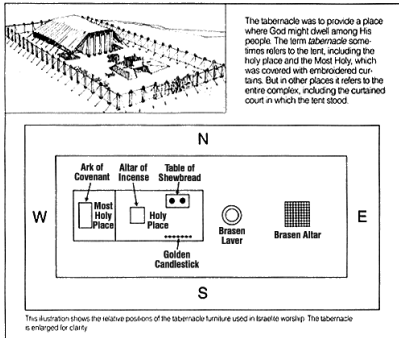
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The Tabernacle

The Tabernacle was a sacred tent. It was divided into two parts, the Holy Place which contained the table for the bread of Presence, the golden lampstand and the altar of incense and the **Holy of Holies** which contained the Ark of the Covenant. A **veil separated** the two sections. No one but the High Priest could enter the inner sanctuary and then only once a year on the **Day of Atonement**. Hebrews 9:1-10

The Plan of the Tabernacle



After the Tabernacle

During Solomon's reign, he built the Temple, a permanent place of sacrifice and worship.

1 Chronicles 28:2-6 p. 488

A total of 3 were built.

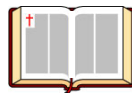
1. Solomon's Temple – Pre-Exilic 1 Kings 6:1, 14-19 p. 597, 599
2. Zerubbabel's Temple – Post-Exilic Ezra 6:13-18
3. Herod's Temple – New Testament John 2:20



After the Exile

The **synagogue** is a Jewish place of worship that appears after the Exile to Babylon.

Mark 1:21, Luke 4:16-21.



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- Where does God reside today?



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What Does This Mean to the Christian?

- a. God no longer resides in a building but is “**Immanuel**” God with us Isa 7:14; Matt 1:23
- b. One **greater** than the temple is here. Matt 12:4-6
- c. Jesus will destroy the “temple” and **rebuild it in three days** Matt 26:59-61
- d. Christ dies, temple curtain torn top to bottom. Christ gives us **access** to the Holy of Holies Matt 27:51; Heb 10:19-23
- e. We are God’s temple and God, the Holy Spirit now **lives in us** 1 Cor 3:9-16; 2 Cor 6:16-7:1; Eph 2:20-22; 1 Pet 2:4-10



What should you do about it?

- 1 Corinthians 6:18-20 – keep the temple **pure**
- Matthew 5:14-17 – Others come to see **God** through us
- John 2:13-21 – It is **Jesus’** death, burial and resurrection that make all this possible.