

# Bible 101

## Lesson 51 - Solomon Becomes King

### 1 Kings 1-2

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#### 1 Kings 1

1. What issue is King David facing at the beginning of this chapter, and how is it affecting his leadership?
2. Who is Adonijah, and what actions does he take in an attempt to secure the throne for himself?
3. Which key figures support Adonijah's claim to the throne, and what does this reveal about the political climate?
4. How does the prophet Nathan and Bathsheba intervene to address the potential succession conflict?
5. What steps does David take to ensure Solomon's succession to the throne?
6. Describe the reaction of Adonijah and his supporters once Solomon is declared king.
7. How does Solomon handle the situation with Adonijah after Solomon becomes king?

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## 1 Kings 2

1. What are David's final instructions to Solomon, and what themes do they emphasize regarding leadership and loyalty?
2. How does Solomon deal with Adonijah's request to marry Abishag, and what motivations might underlie this request?
3. What actions does Solomon take against Joab, and how does this fulfill David's previous instructions?
4. How does Solomon address the actions of Shimei, and what does this indicate about his approach to governance?
5. What role does Benaiah play in Solomon's kingdom, particularly in carrying out Solomon's orders?
6. Describe the consequences faced by Abiathar the priest, and understand how this reshapes religious leadership?
7. What significant outcomes are established by the end of Solomon's actions in Chapter 2, securing his reign?