

## **I Kings 2 (I Kings #2)**

### Introduction:

#### I. David dies (vv. 1-12)

##### A. A Charge to Solomon

###### 1. Be a man

a. Manhood must be lived out

b. Godly obedience (v. 2)

c. Train your children (vv. 3, 4)

###### 2. Eradicate enemies (vv. 5-9)

a. Joab (vv. 5-6)

1. Abner's death (2 Sam. 3:27)

2. Amasa's death (2 Sam. 17:25; 20:9, 10)

a. Shimei (vv. 8-9)

1. Benjamite

2. Cursed David (2 Sam. 16:5-15 (particularly vv. 7-9, 11, 13))

3. Remembering kindness (v. 7)

##### B. A change of kings (v. 7)

1. Looking back (v. 11)

2. Getting started (v. 12)

I Chr. 29:23

II Chr. 1:1

I Chr. 22:9, 10

## Application:

1. David and Solomon knew the wisdom of Prov. 20:26, 25:5
2. Note how death is described in the following verses (v. 10: Acts 13:36; 7:60)
3. We all die when our work on earth is done.
4. David faced death realistically (v. 2)
5. Even at death, David continued to be interested in God's ongoing work on earth.
6. The consequences of sin may not show up immediately.
7. God does bring justice. He often uses human instruments to accomplish this.

## VIII. Solomon secures His Throne

### A. Adonijah's Death

#### 1. A Foolish Request (vv. 13-21)

##### a. To Bathsheba (vv. 13-18)

1. No kingdom
2. The king's concubine (1:2) See also 2 Sam. 16:22

##### b. To Solomon (vv. 19-21)

#### 2. A Fast Reply (vv. 22-25)

- a. A Means of Rebellion
- b. Death vv. 24

### B. Abiathan's Exile

#### 1. Remembering the Past

1 Sam. 22:20-23

#### 2. Remembering mercy (v. 26 Cp. 1:7)

### C. Joab's death (vv. 28-35)

#### 1. A false hope (v. 28) Cp. 1:50-35; Num 35:33; Dt. 19:18

2. Benaiah's duty (vv. 30, 31, 34)

a. Faithful (Ex. 21:14)

b. A promotion (Cp. 2 Sam. 8:18; I Kings 2:35)

D. Shemei's Death ( vv. 36-46)

1. An agreement (vv. 36-38) Lev. 20:9

2. The Brook Kidron – a boundary

II Sam 15:23

II Kings 23:6

John 18:1

3. A Foolish Trip (vv. 39-45)

4. Death

Application:

1. Solomon's kingdom was established in the midst of violence. God's kingdom is established in the midst of deathly violence to Christ, His Son.
2. Neither Adonijah nor Shimei knew when they were well off. Their discontent brought death. Do we realize the seriousness of our discontent?
3. Saul's house ends as a threat in the third year of Solomon's reign (v. 39).
4. Our hearts acknowledge our own guilt (v. 44). Our hope rests in Christ.