

HEIR OF THE PROMISE 1 KINGS 3

SERMON STUDY & HOME FELLOWSHIP GUIDE

* Who was S_____?

- Son of C_____
- "J_____": Beloved of the L_____
- The "M_____ I_____ M_____ in the W_____"

* Heir of the P_____:

(1) "It is I_____ for G_____ to L_____"

(2) God's L_____ & P_____

- God i_____ while we were yet S_____

- Heirs g_____ receive the P_____

(3) C_____ Nature of U_____ Promises

- "A_____" & "I_____"

* Fulfilled Promises bring G_____ to God!

If God gave you one wish that would come true, what would you wish for (and you can't say endless wishes!)? _____ In what way is praying like wishing? _____ What do you think the difference is? _____ Do you really think God wants to give us the desire of our hearts (Psalm 37:4)? _____

1. **A Short Synopsis of Solomon:** What are some of the things you know about Solomon? _____ What books did he write? _____ Here are just a few background things to know about him:

- 2 Samuel 12:24-25 - _____
- 1 Kings 3: 3_____
- 1 Kings 3:29-34 - _____

In the book of Ecclesiastes he says a number of times that everything is "vanity" (see Ecc. 1:2). Why would he say that? _____

2. **He is the Heir of the Promise:** David's greatest moment may have been when he met with God in prayer and God promised him something that he never promised anyone before. According to 2 Samuel 7:12-15, what was that promise? _____ How do you think Solomon fulfilled that promise? _____ According to 1 Kings 3:6-7 on what basis does Solomon give that he should be heir to the promise? _____ What did Solomon personally do to deserve God's incredible favor? _____ How does this relate to the promises given to us according to Hebrews 6:17-18? _____

3. **Unconditional vs. Conditional Aspects of God's Promises:** According to John 1:12-13, what things do we need to do to earn God's favor? _____ After a person is saved, how do we continue to get more of his blessing according to Matthew 7:7-9 and John 14:23? _____ How did Solomon respond to God when he said to ask according to 1 Kings 3:5-9? _____ Did God answer Solomon's prayer (see 3:10-15)? _____ Will he answer your prayers too?