

BOOK STUDY - 1 Kings

Date & Author: 980 to 850 BC (possibly written 586 BC)

....Author Unknown

Type of book: history book Unified kingdom/Divided kingdom

Book of Contrasts:

Best King/one of worst kings

Unified kingdom/Divided kingdom

Split into 3 sections:

chs 1-10 Solomon

chs 11-16 Divided kingdom

chs 17-22 Days of the prophets

Book of 2 tales:

Strong united kingdom/split weak kingdoms

A great king/ poor kings

A nation that served the Lord faithfully/nations that were unfaithful

A nation that prospered/ nations that floundered

A nation feared by it's enemies/ nations defeated by their enemies

A nation of plenty/ nations of poverty

What can we learn from 1 Kings for today:

The need for:

1. Obedience
2. Wisdom
3. Dedication
4. Unity
5. Wholeheartedness