

God's Faithfulness – Divided Kingdom 8

2 Chron 34:19-28

Josiah was concerned that God would pour out His _____ on Judah which would lead to great _____ on the entire nation.

The reason for this was because their fathers had _____ kept the word of the Lord and did not do according to all that was written in the book.

The original blessings and curses

Deut 11:26-29 *"Behold, I set before you today a blessing and a curse: 27 the blessing, if you obey the commandments of the Lord your God which I command you today; 28 and the curse, if you do not obey the commandments of the Lord your God, but turn aside from the way which I command you today, to go after other gods which you have not known. NKJV*

Deut 28:20-68

Josiah was 26 years old when he read the blessings and the curses for the first time and he was _____ to death.

God is _____ to tell His people _____ what He expects of them and the consequences for those who fail to meet those expectations. Not only does He tell His people what He expects, He has it written down and preserved so _____ generation has access to His _____ words.

After getting word back from the prophetess that these curses were going to happen to the people of Judah, but not during his lifetime, he _____ had the law read to the people and celebrated the Passover like had not been done since the time of Samuel.

God's second appearance to Solomon

Josiah's grandfather

2 Chron 33:10-13

God spoke to Josiah's grandfather, Manasseh, but he would _____ listen. As a result, he experienced part of the curses.

However, he _____, and God brought him back to the land.

Zedekiah's Reign

2 Chron 36:15-21

God was faithful to His people by _____ them prophets to encourage them to turn from their wickedness.

Unfortunately, the people proved unfaithful by _____ God's messengers until there was no remedy.

Verse 17 says that the Chaldeans had no mercy on the young, the old, or the weak.

Deut 28:50 says, *"50 a nation of fierce countenance, which does not respect the elderly nor show favor to the young."*

God's promise fulfilled

Isa 44:28 *Who says of Cyrus, 'He is My shepherd, And he shall perform all My pleasure, Saying to Jerusalem, "You shall be built," And to the temple, "Your foundation shall be laid."'* NKJV

Ezra 1:1-4; Ezra 6:14-18

God faithfully brought His people _____ to the Promised Land to rebuild His temple.