

**SOLOMON'S REIGN BEGINS**  
(2 KINGS 2:12-46)

**I. The Reign of Solomon (Chp 1-11)**

**C. The Transition to the New King (1:1-2:11)**

- Why did Adonijah take hold of the “horns of the altar” (1 Kings 1:50)?

Tabernacle issues:

**D. Solomon Establishing His Reign (2:12-4:34)**

2. He did this by \_\_\_\_\_ known enemies:

a. There was **Adonijah's** renewed \_\_\_\_\_ at gaining the \_\_\_\_\_! (2:13-25)

(1) Adonijah approached \_\_\_\_\_ asking her to make a simple \_\_\_\_\_ to the king.

(2) Bathesheba was \_\_\_\_\_ of Adonijah, but he convinced her that he had \_\_\_\_\_ Solomon as \_\_\_\_\_ choice to be king!

(3) Adonijah was never \_\_\_\_\_ in the Lord's will, only \_\_\_\_\_!

(4) Solomon didn't perceive this as a simple request, but as a slick \_\_\_\_\_ by his brother to attempt to \_\_\_\_\_ the throne!

(5) Adonijah requested \_\_\_\_\_, David's nurse, to become \_\_\_\_\_!

- What is significant about this?

(6) Solomon \_\_\_\_\_ her request, but swears as the Lord lives, this day, Adonijah would be justly \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ against the throne!

b. Secondly, Abiathar was \_\_\_\_\_ from the priesthood \_\_\_\_\_!

- This was in keeping with God’s prophecy of Eli’s descendants.

c. \_\_\_\_\_ finally catches up with Joab! (2:28-34)

(1) When the news of Adonijah & Abiathar reached Joab, who was a fellow \_\_\_\_\_, Joab ran for the “horns of the altar”, as this was a place of \_\_\_\_\_ for those whose lives were in danger.

- What did the Mosaic law state?
- Why did Joab seek refuge at the “horns of the altar” seeing he was a murderer?
- Why hadn’t David dealt with Joab before this?

(2) Solomon had no such \_\_\_\_\_ in his background, so he justly ordered Joab \_\_\_\_\_ for murder & treason!

(3) Then Benaiah replaced \_\_\_\_\_ as commander of the army, & Zadok replaced \_\_\_\_\_ as High priest!

d. Lastly, Shimei is finally \_\_\_\_\_! (2:36-46)

(1) Solomon ordered Shimei to live in \_\_\_\_\_. This was to keep \_\_\_\_\_ on him & to keep him from going back to the tribe of Benjamin to \_\_\_\_\_!

(2) Shimei accepted Solomon’s terms as \_\_\_\_\_ realizing he could have been executed for \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ against Solomon’s father, David!

- Did Shimei take Solomon’s word seriously?
- Do we take God & His word seriously?

(3) So Shimei was \_\_\_\_\_ & King Solomon was \_\_\_\_\_ & His throne & reign, in Jerusalem, was firmly \_\_\_\_\_ for years to come!

- What does all this mean to you?