

ASA: KING OF JUDAH!
Pt 3
(1 Kings 15:8-15; 2 Chronicles 14)

• **7 Principles of Faith that Encourage us in our Trials & Suffering (1:3-10)**

1. Trials & suffering teach us _____ about God as our _____ of needed _____ & _____ (Cor. 1:1-3)
2. There is no trial/suffering that God cannot or will not _____ you in... if you _____ (2 Cor. 1:4a)
3. God seeks to use trails/suffering to _____ His comfort _____ in order to use us, to _____ (2 Cor. 1:4b)
4. God provides _____ and _____ to your trials/sufferings (2 Cor. 1:5)
5. God uses trials/ suffering in our lives to benefit _____, not just _____ (2 Cor. 1:6-7)

• Who holds the keys to death anyway?

6. God uses trials/suffering to teach us we should not _____, but in _____ who _____ (2 Cor. 1:8-9)
7. God provides _____ from our trials/suffering (past, present, & future) by His _____, using the _____ of others as well (2 Cor. 1:10-11)

II. Asa, King Of Judah

A. Asa's Background

B. Asa's Early Years (2 Chronicles 14:1-8)

1. Over all, Asa gets a _____ report as he did what was _____ in the eyes of the Lord his God (14:2)
2. Why did Asa do so well? (14:3)
 - a. Asa took God's word _____, & by faith, _____ much of what was _____ in Judah in his day (14:3)

- b. Asa commanded Judah to _____ God of their Father's (14:4a)
- c. Asa also commanded them to _____ the _____ of God (14:4b)
- d. Asa's godly _____ / _____, resulted in the nation being at _____ and without _____, for 10 years. (14:1, 5 - 6)
- e. During this time, Asa _____ & _____ the cities of Judah, knowing that _____ would be inevitable.
- f. Asa also built up his _____ to help secure national _____ against all _____!

C. Asa Faced Overwhelming Odds From Zerah the Ethiopian (2 Chronicles 14:9-15)

- 1. Zerah brings an army of one _____ men against Judah along with _____!
 - 2. The men of Judah were out-_____ & out-_____ about _____.
 - 3. Instead of relying on _____, or _____ strength, Asa wisely cried out to the _____!
- What did Asa's prayer reveal?
- 4. God's answer to Asa's prayer: (vs 12-15)
 - a. The hand of the Lord caused the Ethiopians to _____!
 - b. The Judahites pursued after them and we see the outcome with the words:" _____, could not _____, & _____ before the Lord!"
 - c. This was a devastating defeat by _____ with much _____ going to Judah!
- What does all this mean to you?