

## Turning Away

*All Scriptures are from the New American Standard Version (1995) unless otherwise indicated.*

**1 Kings 1:41-42** Now Adonijah and all the guests who *were* with him heard *it* as they finished eating. When Joab heard the sound of the trumpet, he said, “Why is the city making such an uproar?” **42** While he was still speaking, behold, Jonathan the son of Abiathar the priest came. Then Adonijah said, “Come in, for you are a valiant man and bring good news.”

**1 Kings 1:43-48** But Jonathan replied to Adonijah, “No! Our lord King David has made Solomon king. **44** “The king has also sent with him Zadok the priest, Nathan the prophet, Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, the Cherethites, and the Pelethites; and they have made him ride on the king’s mule. **45** “Zadok the priest and Nathan the prophet have anointed him king in Gihon, and they have come up from there rejoicing, so that the city is in an uproar. This is the noise which you have heard. **46** “Besides, Solomon has even taken his seat on the throne of the kingdom. **47** “Moreover, the king’s servants came to bless our lord King David, saying, ‘May your God make the name of Solomon better than your name and his throne greater than your throne!’ And the king bowed himself on the bed. **48** “The king has also said thus, ‘Blessed be the LORD, the God of Israel, who has granted one to sit on my throne today while my own eyes see *it*.’”

**1 Kings 1:49-50** Then all the guests of Adonijah were terrified; and they arose and each went on his way. **50** And Adonijah was afraid of Solomon, and he arose, went and took hold of the horns of the altar.

**Exodus 21:12-13** “He who strikes a man so that he dies shall surely be put to death. **13** “ But if he did not lie in wait for him, but God let him fall into his hand, then I will appoint you a place to which he may flee.

**Exodus 21:14** “If, however, a man acts presumptuously toward his neighbor, so as to kill him craftily, you are to take him *even* from My altar, that he may die.

**1 Peter 2:24** and He Himself bore our sins in His body on the cross, so that we might die to sin and live to righteousness; for by His wounds you were healed.

**1 Kings 1:51-53** Now it was told Solomon, saying, “Behold, Adonijah is afraid of King Solomon, for behold, he has taken hold of the horns of the altar, saying, ‘Let King Solomon swear to me today that he will not put his servant to death with the sword.’” **52** Solomon said, “If he is a worthy man, not one of his hairs will fall to the ground; but if wickedness is found in him, he will die.” **53** So King Solomon sent, and they brought him down from the altar. And he came and prostrated himself before King Solomon, and Solomon said to him, “Go to your house.”

**1 Kings 2:1-4** As David’s time to die drew near, he charged Solomon his son, saying, **2** “I am going the way of all the earth. Be strong, therefore, and show yourself a man. **3** “Keep the charge of the LORD your God, to walk in His ways, to keep His statutes, His commandments, His ordinances, and His testimonies, according to what is written in the Law of Moses, that you may succeed in all that you do and wherever you turn, **4** so that the LORD may carry out His promise which He spoke concerning me, saying, ‘If your sons are careful of their way, to walk before Me in truth with all their heart and with all their soul, you shall not lack a man on the throne of Israel.’”

**1 Kings 3:12-14** behold, I have done according to your words. Behold, I have given you a wise and discerning heart, so that there has been no one like you before you, nor shall one like you arise after you. **13** “I have also given you what you have not asked, both riches and honor, so that there will not be any among the kings like you all your days. **14** If you walk in My ways, keeping My statutes and commandments, as your father David walked, then I will prolong your days.”

**1 Kings 3:3** Now Solomon loved the LORD, walking in the statutes of his father David, *except* he sacrificed and burned incense on the high places.

**1 Kings 11:1-10** Now King Solomon loved many foreign women along with the daughter of Pharaoh: Moabite, Ammonite, Edomite, Sidonian, and Hittite women, **2** from the nations concerning which the LORD had said to the sons of Israel, “You shall not associate with them, nor shall they associate with you, *for* they will surely turn your heart away after their gods.” Solomon held fast to these in love. **3** He had seven hundred wives, princesses, and three hundred concubines, and his wives turned his heart away. **4** For when Solomon was old, his wives turned his heart away after other gods; and his heart was not wholly devoted to the LORD his God, as the heart of David his father *had been*. **5** For Solomon went after Ashtoreth the goddess of the Sidonians and after Milcom the detestable idol of the Ammonites. **6** Solomon did what was evil in the sight of the LORD, and did not follow the LORD fully, as David his father *had done*. **7** Then Solomon built a high place for Chemosh the detestable idol of Moab, on the mountain which is east of Jerusalem, and for Molech the detestable idol of the sons of Ammon. **8** Thus also he did for all his foreign wives, who burned incense and sacrificed to their gods. **9** Now the LORD was angry with Solomon because his heart was turned away from the LORD, the God of Israel, who had appeared to him twice, **10** and had commanded him concerning this thing, that he should not go after other gods; but he did not observe what the LORD had commanded.

**Deuteronomy 17:14-17** “When you enter the land which the LORD your God gives you, and you possess it and live in it, and you say, ‘I will set a king over me like all the nations who are around me,’ **15** you shall surely set a king over you whom the LORD your God chooses, one from among your countrymen you shall set as king over yourselves; you may not put a foreigner over yourselves who is not your countryman. **16** “Moreover, he shall not multiply horses for himself, nor shall he cause the people to return to Egypt to multiply horses, since the LORD has said to you, ‘You shall never again return that way.’ **17** “He shall not multiply wives for himself, or else his heart will turn away; nor shall he greatly increase silver and gold for himself.

**Deuteronomy 7:1-4** “When the LORD your God brings you into the land where you are entering to possess it, and clears away many nations before you, the Hittites and the Girgashites and the Amorites and the Canaanites and the Perizzites and the Hivites and the Jebusites, seven nations greater and stronger than you, **2** and when the LORD your God delivers them before you and you defeat them, then you shall utterly destroy them. You shall make no covenant with them and show no favor to them. **3** “Furthermore, you shall not intermarry with them; you shall not give your daughters to their sons, nor shall you take their daughters for your sons. **4** “For they will turn your sons away from following Me to serve other gods; then the anger of the LORD will be kindled against you and He will quickly destroy you.

**2 Corinthians 6:14** Do not be bound together with unbelievers; for what partnership have righteousness and lawlessness, or what fellowship has light with darkness?

**1 Corinthians 15:33** Do not be deceived: “Bad company corrupts good morals.”

**Matthew 5:28** but I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lust for her has already committed adultery with her in his heart.

**Ecclesiastes 2:1** I said to myself, “Come now, I will test you with pleasure. So enjoy yourself.” And behold, it too was futility.

**Ecclesiastes 9:9** Enjoy life with the woman whom you love all the days of your fleeting life which He has given to you under the sun; for this is your reward in life and in your toil in which you have labored under the sun.

**Proverbs 5:18** Let your fountain be blessed, And rejoice in the wife of your youth.

