

The Seduction of a Godly Nation - 2 Kings 21

A brief summary of the history of the Isrealites.

1 Samuel 8 summarized as the Isrealites wanted a king.

There were some good kings & some bad kings.

2 Kings 18-20 summarized about King Hezekiah.

Strong's #04519 M@nashsheh *men-ash-sheh'*

AV-Manasseh 145, Manassites 1; 146 Manasseh = "causing to forget"

1) the eldest son of Joseph and progenitor of the tribe of Manasseh

1a) tribe descended from Manasseh 1b) territory of tribe of Manasseh

2) son of king Hezekiah of Judah and himself king of Judah; he was the immediate and direct cause for the exile

3) descendant of Pahath-moab & 4) a descendant of Hashum who put away a foreign wife in the time of Ezra

Pray for our Leaders 1 Timothy 2:1,2 I exhort therefore, that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men; 2 For kings, and for all that are in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty.

Father Hezekiah - Strong's #02396 Chizziyah *khiz-kee-yaw'* or Chizziyahuw *khiz-kee-yaw'-hoo* also Y@chizziyah *yekh-iz-kee-yaw'* or Y@chizziyahuw *yekh-iz-kee-yaw'-hoo* AV-Hezekiah 85, Hizkiah 1, Hizkijah 1; 87

Hezekiah or Hizkiah or Hizkijah = "Jehovah is my strength"

1) 12th king of Judah, son of Ahaz and Abijah; a good king in that he served Jehovah and did away with idolatrous practices

2) great-great-grandfather of Zephaniah the prophet

3) son of Neariah, a descendant of David

4) head of a family of returning exiles in the time of Nehemiah

Mother Strong's #02657 # Chephtsiy bahh *khef-tsee'baw* AV-Hephzibah 2; Hephzi-bah = "my delight is in her"

1) queen of King Hezekiah and mother of Manasseh

2) a name for Jerusalem (fig.)

2 Kings 21:1-26 V1 Manasseh was twelve years old when he began to reign, and reigned fifty and five years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name was Hephzibah. V2 And he did that which was evil in the sight of the LORD, after the abominations of the heathen, whom the LORD cast out before the children of Israel.

1 Corinthians 15:33 Be not deceived: evil communications corrupt good manners.

V3 For he built up again the high places which Hezekiah his father had destroyed; and he reared up altars for Baal, and made a grove, as did Ahab king of Israel; and worshipped all the host of heaven, and served them.

2 Corinthians 11:4 For if he that cometh preacheth another Jesus, whom we have not preached, or *if ye receive another spirit, which ye have not received, or another gospel, which ye have not accepted, ye might well bear with him.*

Matthew 27:17B Pilate said unto them, Whom will ye that I release unto you? Barabbas, or Jesus which is called Christ?

Mark 15:11 But the chief priests moved the people, that he should rather release Barabbas unto them.

2 Kings 21:V4 And he built altars in the house of the LORD, of which the LORD said, In Jerusalem will I put my name. V5 And he built altars for all the host of heaven in the two courts of the house of the LORD.

Ezekiel 8 Summarized of the evil in the temple & God's Holy Spirit was present in the Holy of Holies. This show that demons can be in Holy Spirit filled Believers.

2 Kings 21:V6 And he made his son pass through the fire, and observed times, and used enchantments, and dealt with familiar spirits and wizards: he wrought much wickedness in the sight of the LORD, to provoke him to anger.

John 8:32 And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.

Galatians 4:9 But now, after that ye have known God, or rather are known of God, how turn ye again to the weak and beggarly elements, whereunto ye desire again to be in bondage?

Deuteronomy 18: 10,11 There shall not be found among you *any one* that maketh his son or his daughter to pass through the fire, *or* that useth divination, *or* an observer of times, *or* an enchanter, *or* a witch, 11 Or a charmer, *or* a consulter with familiar spirits, *or* a wizard, *or* a necromancer.

2 Kings 21:V7 And he set a graven image of the grove that he had made in the house, of which the LORD said to David, and to Solomon his son, In this house, and in Jerusalem, which I have chosen out of all tribes of Israel, will I put my name for ever:

Numbers 22:12 And God said unto Balaam, Thou shalt not go with them; thou shalt not curse the people: for they are blessed.

Solomon in Proverbs warns often of the strange woman.

Strong's #0842 'asherah *ash-ay-raw*' or '*asheyrah ash-ay-raw*'

AV-grove 40; 40 Ashera(h) =" groves (for idol worship)"

1) a Babylonian (Astarte)-Canaanite goddess (of fortune and happiness),

the supposed consort of Baal, her images

1a) the goddess, goddesses 1b) her images

1c) sacred trees or poles set up near an altar

2 Kings 21:V8 Neither will I make the feet of Israel move any more out of the land which I gave their fathers; only if they will observe to do according to all that I have commanded them, and according to all the law that my servant Moses commanded them.

Acts 15:20,24 But that we write unto them, that they abstain from pollutions of idols, & *from* fornication, & *from* things strangled, & *from* blood. 24 Forasmuch as we have heard, that certain which went out from us have troubled you with words, subverting your souls, saying, *Ye must* be circumcised, & keep the law: to whom we gave no *such* commandment:

Revelation 2:14 But I have a few things against thee, because thou hast there them that hold the doctrine of Balaam, who taught Balac to cast a stumblingblock before the children of Israel, to eat things sacrificed unto idols, and to commit fornication.

Deuteronomy 18:9-14 When thou art come into the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee, thou shalt not learn to do after the abominations of those nations. 10 There shall not be found among you any one that maketh his son or his daughter to pass through the fire, or that useth divination, or an observer of times, or an enchanter, or a witch, 11 Or a charmer, or a consulter with familiar spirits, or a wizard, or a necromancer. 12 For all that do these things are an abomination unto the LORD: and because of these abominations the LORD thy God doth drive them out from before thee. 13

Thou shalt be perfect with the LORD thy God. 14 For these nations, which thou shalt possess, hearkened unto observers of times, and unto diviners: but as for thee, the LORD thy God hath not suffered thee so to do.

1 Peter 1:16 Because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy.

Matthew 5:48 Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect.

Galatians 3:26 For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus.

Ezekiel 13:17-23 Likewise, thou son of man, set thy face against the daughters of thy people, which prophesy out of their own heart; and prophesy thou against them, 18 And say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Woe to the women that sew pillows to all armholes, and make kerchiefs upon the head of every stature to hunt souls! Will ye hunt the souls of my people, and will ye save the souls alive *that come unto you?* 19 And will ye pollute me among my people for handfuls of barley and for pieces of bread, to slay the souls that should not die, and to save the souls alive that should not live, by your lying to my people that hear *your lies?* 20 Wherefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I *am* against your pillows, wherewith ye there hunt the souls to make *them* fly, and I will tear them from your arms, and will let the souls go, *even* the souls that ye hunt to make *them* fly. 21 Your kerchiefs also will I tear, and deliver my people out of your hand, and they shall be no more in your hand to be hunted; and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD. 22 Because with lies ye have made the heart of the righteous sad, whom I have not made sad; and strengthened the hands of the wicked, that he should not return from his wicked way, by promising him life: 23 Therefore ye shall see no more vanity, nor divine divinations: for I will deliver my people out of your hand: and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD.

Acts 17:22 Then Paul stood in the midst of Mars' hill, and said, Ye men of Athens, I perceive that in all things ye are too superstitious.

1 Samuel 28: Referred to Saul & the witch at Endor.

Acts 19:17,18 And many that believed came, and confessed, and shewed their deeds. 19 Many of them also which used curious arts brought their books together, and burned them before all *men*: and they counted the price of them, and found *it* fifty thousand *pieces* of silver.

1 Corinthians 10:14 Wherefore, my dearly beloved, flee from idolatry.

Exodus 20:3-5 Thou shalt have no other gods before me. 4 Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth: 5 Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the LORD thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me;

2 Kings 21:9 But they hearkened not: and Manasseh seduced them to do more evil than did the nations whom the LORD destroyed before the children of Israel.

Matthew 16:19 And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.

Summarized Manasseh's judgement but he repented & God forgave him. Then he returned to try to correct his error. His sons after him were evil also. Later King Josiah was a good king & turned Isreal back to God. Judgement fell after he died.

Strong's #08582 ta`ah taw-aw'

AV-err 17, astray 12, wander 10, seduced 3, stagger 2, out of the way 2, away 1, deceived 1, misc 2; 50 1) to err, wander, go astray, stagger

1a) (Qal) to err 1a1) to wander about 1a2) of intoxication 1a3) of sin

1a4) wandering (of the mind) 1b) (Niphal)

1b1) to be made to wander about, be made to stagger (drunkard)

1b2) to be led astray (ethically) 1c) (Hiphil) to cause to wander

1c1) to cause to wander about 1c2) to cause to wander (intoxication)

1c3) to cause to err, mislead (mentally and morally)

2 Kings 21:10-17 And the LORD spake by his servants the prophets, saying, 11 Because Manasseh king of Judah hath done these abominations, and hath done wickedly above all that the Amorites did, which were before him, and hath made Judah also to sin with his idols: 12 Therefore thus saith the LORD God of Israel, Behold, I am bringing such evil upon Jerusalem and Judah, that whosoever heareth of it, both his ears shall tingle. 13 And I will stretch over Jerusalem the line of Samaria, and the plummet of the house of Ahab: and I will wipe Jerusalem as a man wipeth a dish, wiping it, and turning it upside down. 14 And I will forsake the remnant of mine

inheritance, and deliver them into the hand of their enemies; and they shall become a prey and a spoil to all their enemies; 15 Because they have done that which was evil in my sight, and have provoked me to anger, since the day their fathers came forth out of Egypt, even unto this day. 16 Moreover Manasseh shed innocent blood very much, till he had filled Jerusalem from one end to another; beside his sin wherewith he made Judah to sin, in doing that which was evil in the sight of the LORD. 17 Now the rest of the acts of Manasseh, and all that he did, and his sin that he sinned, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?

1 Corinthians 6:19,20 What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost *which is* in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? 20 For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's.

More service Notes: 2 Kings 21:18-26 & Manasseh slept with his fathers, & was buried in the garden of his own house, in the garden of Uzza: & Amon his son reigned in his stead. 19 Amon was twenty and two years old when he began to reign, and he reigned two years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name was Meshullemeth, the daughter of Haruz of Jotbah. 20 And he did that which was evil in the sight of the LORD, as his father Manasseh did. 21 And he walked in all the way that his father walked in, & served the idols that his father served, & worshipped them: 22 And he forsook the LORD God of his fathers, and walked not in the way of the LORD. 23 And the servants of Amon conspired against him, & slew the king in his own house. 24 And the people of the land slew all them that had conspired against king Amon; & the people of the land made Josiah his son king in his stead. 25 Now the rest of the acts of Amon which he did, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah? 26 And he was buried in his sepulchre in the garden of Uzza: & Josiah his son reigned in his stead.