

THE GIST OF THE BIBLE

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THE FIRST BOOK OF KINGS—A STORY OF CESSION

The First Book of Kings covers the period of about one hundred and fifty years from the death of David to the death of Ahab, a period of shameful degeneration.

Solomon began well in seeking wisdom from God and in building for God a temple unsurpassed for magnificence in all the architecture of the ages.

"Solomon in all his glory" is a phrase which represents the climax in material splendor of all earthly monarchs. But this splendor was bought at the expense of "a grievous yoke" upon the necks of his people against which they rebelled upon the accession of his foolish son Rehoboam, and the result was the secession of more than half of his kingdom in the north, and thereafter two kingdoms instead of one.

In the northern kingdom, Jeroboam, by the institution of calf worship, set the standard of wickedness and idolatry for a long train of wicked kings who are described as "doing evil in the sight of the Lord, walking in the way of Jeroboam who made Israel to sin."

No wonder God set such kings aside and made the prophets the channel of his revelation and government instead of the kings. The great man of this period is Elijah, the prophet whom God raised up to check Ahab, the worst of all Israel's kings.

The curse of these times was the worship of Baal and Ash-toreth which was no more than adultery and the grossest immorality dignified by the cloak of religion, as is the case with much of the heathen religion of the world today.

The mistake of the evil kings of both northern and southern kingdoms was their failure to realize that every king, as a ruler, is a subject of God, and all earthly government is under God, as our own immortal Lincoln has limited even our democracy as "under God—government of the people, by the people and for the people."

Be it in a monarchy or a democracy, the ruler who overlooks that phrase "under God" is a menace to good government. The kings and kingdoms of this world must be subject to the King of Kings, and "Crown Him Lord of all."

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SUNDAY AT THE CHURCHES

First Church of Christ, Scientist—Regular services are held Sunday morning at 11 o'clock and Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. This meeting includes testimonies of healing in Christian Science. Sunday School convenes each Sunday morning at 9:45; all pupils from the age of 4 to 20 years may be admitted. The Reading Room, side entrance to the church, is open daily except Sunday and holidays from 2 to 4 p. m. Here all authorized Christian Science literature may be read, borrowed or purchased. The public is cordially invited to attend the services and visit the reading room. Subject of Sunday's lesson "Unreality."

Church of Christ—at Myrtle Creek, Oregon. Easter Day will be observed with appropriate services. The day will begin with the Sunrise prayer meeting at 6 o'clock on the hill north of the city. The Bible school meeting at 10 o'clock in their Easter program. The goal for this Sunday is 150. We will reach it if all are here in time to be counted. The Evangelistic services for the day are as follows: Morning, The Battle Around the Holy City, 10:30 a. m. "Bloodguiltiness," 7:30 p. m. "Excess," Evangelist Arthur C. Bates, preaching. Christian Endeavor at 6:30 p. m. We will have another basket lunch at the church. Come prepared to spend the day with us. This is the one day in the year when everybody goes to church.

First Presbyterian Church—Easter Sunday in the Presbyterian Church. At 10:30 the session will meet to receive members into the church. Morning sermon subject, Easter and Joy. The choir under the direction of Mrs. Fred Strang will sing "The Gloria" from Mozart's Twelfth Mass. There will be baptism and public reception of members followed by the Lord's Supper. In the evening the Knights Templar and Order of the Holy City will be guests of the church. The pastor will preach on: Knights of Jesus. Selected music for the evening. "The Heavens are Telling," from Creation by Haydn. "Unfold Ye Portals," from Redemption by Gounod. "Hallelujah Chorus," from Messiah by Handel. The Knight orchestra will play "Spring Song" by Mendelssohn. The orchestra will also accompany Mrs. Fred Strang in "The Holy City" by Adams.

Lutheran Mission—214 East Cass street. Sunday school at 2 p. m. under the supervision of Mr. C. E. Frederickson. Divine Service 2 p. m. with sermon on the subject: "He is not here. He is risen." A cordial welcome is herewith extended to all who might be interested in these Lutheran services. Come and worship God with us.—R. Trautmann, Pastor, 1965 Perry street, Eugene, Oregon.

International Bible Students Association—Bible study at the Moose Hall, Sunday at 10:30 a. m. The subjects for study will be: "A Ransom For All" and "The Holy Spirit Poured Out." The English word "Spirit" is translated from the Hebrew ruach, which primarily means wind. The same word "spirit" in the new Testament is translated from the Greek pneuma, also meaning wind. Wind well represents the word spirit. Wind is both invisible and powerful. The words of Jesus convey the same thought. Addressing Nicodemus concerning the operation of the holy spirit in preparing one for the Kingdom of God he said: "The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth: so is every one that is born of the spirit." John 3:8. All interested in Bible study are cordially invited to come and study with us.

Methodist Church, South—Corner of 1st Lane and South Main streets, C. S. Coberly, pastor. Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. W. L. Cobb, Supt. At 11 o'clock the Sunday school will put on a special program appropriate to the occasion. All classes of the school participate in the program. In the evening there will be an Easter program appropriate to the occasion. All classes of the school participate in the program. In

the evening there will be an Easter sermon, also special music. Senior Epworth League devotionals at 6:30 p. m. led by Miss Lois Cobb. Prayer meeting and Bible study Wednesday evening at the usual hour, 7:30. The Woman's Missionary Society will meet at the parsonage Thursday afternoon for Bible study. Official board meeting Monday evening at 7:30 in the pastors study. There will be a baptismal service at the beginning of the morning services.

Riddle Baptist Church—10 a. m. Sunday School. 11:00 a. m. Program by the Primary children. Address by the pastor, 7:00 p. m. Young People's meeting. Charles Foree, President. 8:00 p. m. An Easter Pageant by the young people. Special music by the Mandolin and Guitar Club. Sermon.

R. R. MULHOLLAND, Pastor.

Prayer Meeting at Mt. Nebo—All members of the Out and Out Club will assemble at the base of Mt. Nebo on Easter Sunday morning, April 4, at 7:00 o'clock. They will hold a Sunrise Prayer meeting on Mount Nebo.

The Salvation Army Hall—311 No. Jackson—Upstairs, Capt. B. M. Humphrey, commanding officer. Special Easter services will be held Easter Sunday. Special Sunrise service in hall at 6 a. m. 11 a. m. Holiness meeting. 2 p. m. Sunday School. 3:30 p. m. meeting at State Soldiers Home. Special Easter Song service. 6:30 p. m. Young Peoples Legion. 7:30 open-air service. 8 p. m. Bazaar for Boys. Regular public meetings Thursday and Saturdays. Everybody welcome.

First Christian Church—Sunday morning at sunrise the Christian young people of the city will meet on Mount Nebo for prayer. The older folks of the Christian Church will meet at the church at the same hour. At 9:45 all will assemble again at the church for Bible study. At 11 the pastor will speak on "The Battle Over the Empty Tomb." The Men's quartet will sing: "Lift Up Your Heads O Ye Gates." In the evening the Easter program will be given and the ladies double quartet and Men's double quartet will sing two Easter numbers. On Monday and Tuesday evening of next week the pastor will preach. Then beginning Wednesday evening the Epworth League of Portland will begin a series of lectures on Stewardship. All Christian people of the city are invited to hear these lectures on a great theme by a man who has studied the question intently. Tuesday evening is new convening night at the church. The subject of sermon will be: "Why Is A Church?" H. E. MOW.

The First Methodist Church—Corner of Main and Lane streets; Rev. Joseph Knotts, pastor. At Easter time everybody should go to Sunday School and Church. This is the greatest Sabbath of the year. The Resurrection was the greatest of all the miracles and is our assurance of eternal life. Sunday School meets at 9:45. This is a splendid time to join a class as there will be many new scholars this Sunday. The morning Church service will be of particular interest to all. There will be several selections of beautiful Easter music, including special numbers by the orchestra. The sermon theme will be "The Message of the Resurrection." There will be the baptism and reception of new members, and a number of babies are to be christened. Come and enjoy a splendid service. In the evening there will be another fine service with special Easter music. The young ladies chorus will render several beautiful selections. The orchestra will also play. The sermon theme will be "The Joy of the Cross." The Junior League meets at 8:00 p. m. and the Epworth League meets at 8:30 p. m. On Monday evening at 8 o'clock, Rev. T. W.



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Pure Cane Sugar, 40 lbs., Sack	60c	Cream Rolled Oats—Freshly Milled—9 lb. Sack	47c
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Bundy, a returned missionary from the Philippines will give an illustrated lecture to which all are invited. No admission will be charged. Tonight the last sermon of the pre-Easter meetings will be given, the sermon theme being "The Love of God." Come and enjoy this service. A cordial welcome is extended to all.

Bible Standard Temple—East Douglas and Chadwick streets; Rev. L. F. Burro, pastor. We are enjoying a good old time revival here. The revival services close Sunday night. If you have not yet attended this revival you have been missing the treat of your life. Only a few more services and the evangelist will be gone. Benham, the evangelist, is doing some mighty good preaching, as well as giving some good music. Services tonight 7:30. Sunday afternoon is children and young people's service. Mrs. Benham talks to the young people and we invite the children of Roseburg to attend this service. Saturday evening evangelistic services as follows. Sunrise service in the Temple. Services at 8 a. m.; song service and exhortation on the Resurrection. Sunday School at 10:00 classes for all ages. We need you here to fill our new home. Preaching by the evangelist at 11:00, 1:30 and at 7:30. The evening service will mark the close of the revival service. You are invited to attend all of these services.

The First Baptist Church—Corner of Lane and Rose streets; H. L. Caldwell, Minister. Easter theme at all of the days services. At 9:45 a. m. The Church school, Carlos (Pase), Supt. It is hoped that no student in the school will miss an Easter Sunday. Friends and visitors are invited. Decision Day in the school. Baptismal service at the close of the Sunday School. All who wish to be baptized, will please come prepared for this service. 11:00 a. m. Morning Worship. Easter Message by the pastor. Special orchestra music by the Knight Family orchestra. They will play Mendelssohn's "Spring Song." They will also accompany Miss Grace Wickham as she sings "The Holy City." The public cordially invited to this service. 8:30 p. m. Young People's Meetings. These meetings are getting better and better. If you are young, you are invited to share in the profit and service of these meetings. 7:30 p. m. Evening Worship. Annual Easter Musical Ser-

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Saturday Features

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		Dozen	\$1.59
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Pure Cane, 10 Pounds	57c	1 lb. Package	
Powdered Sugar		Arm & Hammer Brand, 3 for	25c
Three Pounds	28c	Coffee	
Bacon Back		Skaggs White Wrap is equal to any Coffee costing 8 or 10 cents a pound more. 1 lb. 49c, 3 lbs.	\$1.44
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Is as fine as Butter and much cheaper, 2 lbs.	49c	Raisins	
Table Salt		Four lb. Package	37c
Our Regular 25c Sack	19c	Seedless Raisins	
Wax Paper		Hamilton's Vanilla Extract	
Three Rolls	10c	Guaranteed to Please, 2 oz. size 28c, 4 oz. Size	53c
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Mayonnaise		Salted Peanuts	
Gold Medal, 8 1/2 oz. Size, each	24c	New Shipment Spanish kind. One Pound	19c
Honey		Fancy Peaches	
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