

**II KINGS 23:10** — And he defiled Topheth, which is in the valley of the children of Hinnom, that no man might make his son or his daughter to pass through the fire to Molech.

**II KINGS 23:13-14** — And the high places that were before Jerusalem, which were on the right hand of the mount of corruption, which Solomon the king of Israel had builded for Ashtoreth the abomination of the Zidonians, and for Chemosh the abomination of the Moabites, and for Milcom the abomination of the children of Ammon, did the king defile. [14] And he brake in pieces the images, and cut down the groves, and filled their places with the bones of men.

**HEBREWS 12:1** — Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us.

**B. R\_\_\_\_\_ THE PASSOVER**

**II KINGS 23:21-23** — And the king commanded all the people, saying, Keep the passover unto the LORD your God, as it is written in the book of this covenant. [22] Surely there was not holden such a passover from the days of the judges that judged Israel, nor in all the days of the kings of Israel, nor of the kings of Judah; [23] But in the eighteenth year of king Josiah, wherein this passover was holden to the LORD in Jerusalem.

**II KINGS 23:25** — And like unto him was there no king before him, that turned to the LORD with all his heart, and with all his soul, and with all his might, according to all the law of Moses; neither after him arose there any like him.

**CONCLUSION**

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# A TENDER HEARTED KING

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**II KINGS 22:15-20** And she said unto them, Thus saith the Lord God of Israel, Tell the man that sent you to me, [16] Thus saith the Lord, Behold, I will bring evil upon this place, and upon the inhabitants thereof, even all the words of the book which the king of Judah hath read: [17] Because they have forsaken me, and have burned incense unto other gods, that they might provoke me to anger with all the works of their hands; therefore my wrath shall be kindled against this place, and shall not be quenched. [18] But to the king of Judah which sent you to enquire of the Lord, thus shall ye say to him, Thus saith the Lord God of Israel, As touching the words which thou hast heard; [19] Because thine heart was tender, and thou hast humbled thyself before the Lord, when thou heardest what I spake against this place, and against the inhabitants thereof, that they should become a desolation and a curse, and hast rent thy clothes, and wept before me; I also have heard thee, saith the Lord. [20] Behold therefore, I will gather thee unto thy fathers, and thou shalt be gathered into thy grave in peace; and thine eyes shall not see all the evil which I will bring upon this place. And they brought the king word again.

**INTRODUCTION**

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**PROVERBS 4:23** — Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life.

\* **DEFINITION:** KEEP— *to guard; to protect*

**MARK 7:21-23** — For from within, out of the heart of man, proceed evil thoughts, adulteries, fornications, murders, [22] Thefts, covetousness, wickedness, deceit, lasciviousness, an evil eye, blasphemy, pride, foolishness: [23] All these evil things come from within, and defile the man.

**JEREMIAH 17:9** — The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?

## 1 R \_\_\_\_\_ HIS CLOTHES

**II KINGS 22:10-11** — And Shaphan the scribe showed the king, saying, Hilkiah the priest hath delivered me a book. And Shaphan read it before the king.

[11] And it came to pass, when the king had heard the words of the book of the law, that he rent his clothes.

**GENESIS 37:34** — And Jacob rent his clothes, and put sackcloth upon his loins, and mourned for his son many days.

**JOSHUA 7:6** — And Joshua rent his clothes, and fell to the earth upon his face before the ark of the LORD until the eventide, he and the elders of Israel, and put dust upon their heads.

**PSALMS 51:7** — The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit: a broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise.

**ISAIAH 57:15** — For thus saith the high and lofty One that inhabiteth eternity, whose name is Holy; I dwell in the high and holy place, with him also that is of a contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble, and to revive the heart of the contrite ones.

### KING ASA OF JUDAH

**II CHRONICLES 16:7b-9** — Because thou hast relied on the king of Syria, and not relied on the Lord thy God, therefore is the host of the king of Syria escaped out of thine hand. [8] Were not the Ethiopians and the Lubims a huge host, with very many chariots and horsemen? yet, because thou didst rely on the Lord, he delivered them into thine hand. [9] For the eyes of the Lord run to and fro throughout the whole earth, to shew himself strong in the behalf of them whose heart is perfect toward him. Herein thou hast done foolishly: therefore from henceforth thou shalt have wars.

**II CHRONICLES 16:10** — Then Asa was wroth with the seer, and put him in a prison house; for he was in rage with him because of this thing. And Asa oppressed some of the people the same time.

## 2 R \_\_\_\_\_ FOR COUNSEL

**II KINGS 22:12-14** — And the king commanded Hilkiah the priest, and Ahikam the son of Shaphan, and Achbor the son of Michaiah, and Shaphan the scribe, and Asahiah a servant of the king's, saying, *(continue next page)*

[13] Go ye, enquire of the Lord for me, and for the people, and for all Judah, concerning the words of this book that is found: for great is the wrath of the Lord that is kindled against us, because our fathers have not hearkened unto the words of this book, to do according unto all that which is written concerning us. [14] So Hilkiah the priest, and Ahikam, and Achbor, and Shaphan, and Asahiah, went unto Huldah the prophetess, the wife of Shallum the son of Tikvah, the son of Harhas, keeper of the wardrobe; (now she dwelt in Jerusalem in the college;) and they communed with her.

**PROVERBS 11:14a** — Where no counsel is, the people fall:...

**PROVERBS 12:15** — The way of a fool is right in his own eyes: but he that hearkeneth unto counsel is wise.

**PROVERBS 15:22** — For by wise counsel thou shalt make thy war: and in multitude of counsellors there is safety.

## 3 R \_\_\_\_\_ THE COUNTRY

**II KINGS 23:3** — And the king stood by a pillar, and made a covenant before the LORD, to walk after the LORD, and to keep his commandments and his testimonies and his statutes with all their heart and all their soul, to perform the words of this covenant that were written in this book. And all the people stood to the covenant.

### A. R \_\_\_\_\_ THE PAGANISM

**II KINGS 23:4** — And the king commanded Hilkiah the high priest, and the priests of the second order, and the keepers of the door, to bring forth out of the temple of the LORD all the vessels that were made for Baal, and for the grove, and for all the host of heaven: and he burned them without Jerusalem in the fields of Kidron, and carried the ashes of them unto Bethel.

**II KINGS 23:5** — And he put down the idolatrous priests, whom the kings of Judah had ordained to burn incense in the high places in the cities of Judah, and in the places round about Jerusalem; them also that burned incense unto Baal, to the sun, and to the moon, and to the planets, and to all the host of heaven.

**II KINGS 23:7** — And he brake down the houses of the sodomites, that were by the house of the LORD, where the women wove hangings for the grove.