

## THE LATER KINGS OF JUDAH

### 2 Kings 21 – 25

After the first six years of Hezekiah's reign, the tiny nation Judah stood alone as God's representative upon earth. How well she represented God under Hezekiah we have seen. Now discover what happened after his reign was concluded:

**A. The Reign of Manasseh, the Thirteenth King of Judah:** Read 2 Kings 21:1-18

1. What kind of king was Manasseh, Hezekiah's son? 2 Kings 21:2a  
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2. Whose example did he follow:
  - a. 2 Kings 21:2b \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. 2 Kings 21:3b \_\_\_\_\_
3. What did he put in the courts of the house of the Lord? 2 Kings 21:5  
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4. What did the people of Judah do as a result of Manasseh's leadership?  
2 Kings 21:9  
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5. Because of the sins of Manasseh and Judah, what did God through the prophets warn that he would do to Judah? 2 Kings 21:10-15  
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6. What was another great sin of Manasseh? 2 Kings 21:16  
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**B. The Reign of Amon, the Fourteenth King of Judah:** Read 2 Kings 21:19-26

1. What kind of king was Amon, the son of Manasseh? 2 Kings 21:20-22  
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2. What happened to end his reign? 2 Kings 21:23  
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**C. The Reign of Josiah, the Fifteenth King of Judah:** Read 2 Kings 22:1–23:30

1. What kind of king was Josiah, Amon's son? 2 Kings 22:2  
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2. What did Josiah have the people do during his reign? 2 Kings 22:5  
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3. What did the high priest find in the process of doing this? 2 Kings 22:8  
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4. What did the king do when he heard the words of this book? 2 Kings 22:11  
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5. What did he ask the priests and others to do? 2 Kings 22:13a  
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6. What was God's message to him concerning Judah? 2 Kings 22:15-17

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7. What comforting promise did God also send to the king? 2 Kings 22:20

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8. Why did God make this promise to Josiah? 2 Kings 22:19

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9. To whom did Josiah read the words of the book he had found? 2 Kings 23:2

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10. What did he then remove from Judah? 2 Kings 23:4-14

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11. What feast did the king cause the people to keep? 2 Kings 23:21

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12. Although Josiah was one of the two best kings Judah ever had, what was God still determined to do? 2 Kings 23:25-27

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13. What happened to end the reign of this great king? 2 Kings 23:29

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**QUESTIONS FOR ME TO THINK ABOUT:**

1. Could the good that Judah did under Josiah make up for the evil he had done under Manasseh?

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2. Can I continue in evil--doing now, and expect to make up for it later?

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