

# **THE BIBLE STUDY PROGRAM**

**WEEK 53 – 1 Kings 22 – 2 Kings 5 & Acts 16 – Acts 17**

## **WEEK 53 – ANSWERS**

1. **Sunday** – Worship/Time With Family/Review Answers With Others

2. **Monday** –

1) 1 Kings 22 – Read & Answer Below

- a) How many years occurred “without war between Syria and Israel?” (Three years, vs. 1)
- b) What “king of Judah came down to the king of Israel” and agreed to go with him into battle against Syria? (Jehoshaphat, vs. 2)
- c) About how many prophets did the king of Israel gather together in order to inquire of them about going/not going to battle? (About 400, vs. 6)
- d) What was the name of the “prophet of the Lord” that the king of Israel hated? (Micaiah, vs. 7-8)
- e) After being encouraged to go along with the false prophets, in 1 Kings 22:14, the faithful Micaiah responds, “As the Lord liveth, what the \_\_\_\_\_ saith unto me, \_\_\_\_\_ will I speak.” (Lord; that)
- f) Did Micaiah go along with the false prophets? (No. After sarcastically saying in essence, “sure go ahead,” he then laid God’s message out clearly regarding the disaster that would occur if they went to battle, vs. 15ff)
- g) What was the name of the false prophet that “went near, and smote Micaiah on the check...?” (Zedekiah, vs. 11, 24)
- h) In reference to the king of Israel, what verse says, “So the king died, and was brought to Samaria; and they buried the king in Samaria?” (1 Kings 22:37)
- i) Who was the king of Israel that died in the battle? (Ahab, vs. 39)
- j) What Jehoshaphat, king of Judah, considered to be a righteous king or a wicked king? (He was righteous, vs. 43)
- k) What was the name of Ahab’s son? Was he wicked or righteous? (Ahaziah, vs. 40, 49, 51f. He was wicked, vs. 52)

2) Acts 16 – Read Only

3. **Tuesday** –

1) 2 Kings 1 – Read & Answer Below

- a) Who “fell down through a lattice in his upper chamber in Samaria, and was sick?” (Ahaziah, vs. 2)
- b) What great prophet of God was told by “the angel of the Lord” to “go up to meet the messengers of the king of Samaria?” (Elijah, vs. 3)
- c) What person was described as “an hairy man, and girt with a girdle of leather about his loins?” (Elijah, vs. 8)
- d) How many men were destroyed by fire called down from heaven, by Elijah? (102 men, namely two bands of fifty, plus a captain with each band, vs. 10, 12, 14)
- e) Did the third band of fifty (including its captain) also get destroyed by fire? (No, vs. 13ff)

- f) What verse says of Ahaziah, “So he died according to the word of the Lord which Elijah had spoken?” (2 Kings 1:17)
- g) What person “reigned in his stead” (i.e., in Ahaziah’s place)? (Jehoram, vs. 17)

2) Acts 16 – Read & Answer Below

- a) What was the name of the “certain disciple” whose mother was a believing “Jewish...but his father was a Greek?” (Timotheus, (i.e., Timothy) vs. 1)
- b) What was Timothy’s reputation among the brethren? (He was well reported of, vs. 2)
- c) What verse says, “And so were the churches established in the faith, and increased in number daily?” (Acts 16:5)
- d) Acts 16:9 reads, “And a \_\_\_\_\_ appeared to Paul in the night; There stood a man of \_\_\_\_\_, and prayed him, saying, Come over into \_\_\_\_\_, and help us.” (vision; Macedonia; Macedonia)
- e) What city is referred to in this text as “the chief city of that part of Macedonia, and a colony” (i.e., Roman colony)? (Philippi, vs. 12)
- f) What woman, who was a seller of purple, was baptized? (Lydia, vs. 14ff)
- g) What verse says, “And at midnight Paul and Silas prayed, and sang praises unto God: and the prisoners heard them?” (Acts 16:25)
- h) Did the jailer commit suicide after the earthquake? (No. Rather, he ended up obeying the gospel along with his house, vs. 30ff)
- i) When the magistrates wanted to privately let Paul and Silas go after they had publicly mistreated and beaten them, was Paul willing to go along with the private release? (Not at all. Instead, Paul put the fear in them by referring to the fact that they had beaten them, who were Romans, being yet uncondemned. He waited for them to come to him, before leaving, vs. 35-40)

4. Wednesday –

1) 2 Kings 2 – Read & Answer Below

- a) 2 Kings 2:1 reads, “And it came to pass, when the Lord would take up \_\_\_\_\_ into heaven by a whirlwind, that Elijah went with \_\_\_\_\_ from Gilgal.” (Elijah; Elisha)
- b) What was the first place/city that Elijah tried to leave Elisha? (Beth-el, vs. 2)
- c) What was the second place/city that Elijah tried to leave Elisha? (Jericho, vs. 4)
- d) What was the third place that Elijah tried to leave Elisha? (The Jordan River, vs. 6)
- e) 2 Kings 2:8 declares, “And \_\_\_\_\_ took his mantle and wrapped it together, and \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_, and they were divided hither and thither, so that they two went over on \_\_\_\_\_ ground.” (Elijah; smote; waters; dry)
- f) What verse says, “And it came to pass, as they still went on, and talked, that, behold, there appeared a chariot of fire, and horses of fire, and parted them both asunder; and Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven?” (2 Kings 2:11)
- g) Was Elisha able to see Elijah’s miraculous departure? (Yes, 12. Cf., vs. 9-10)
- h) In what verse do we find Elisha asking, “Where is the Lord God of Elijah?” (2 Kings 2:14)
- i) Were the fifty men able to find Elijah? (No, vs. 17)
- j) What did Elisha put in the “new cruse” for use with healing the waters? (salt, vs. 20-21)

- k) How many “she bears” destroyed the forty two rebellious children? (two she bears, vs. 24. Note, these were not toddlers, but were likely teens, perhaps even older teens. Their rebellious mocking was punished.)
- 2) Acts 16 – Read & Word Study/Research
- a) As a matter of discretion/wisdom and in reference to Timothy, Acts 16:3 states, “Him would \_\_\_\_\_ have to go forth with him; and took and \_\_\_\_\_ him because of the Jews which were in those quarters: for they knew all that his father was a Greek.” (Paul; circumcised)
  - b) What two individuals are mentioned specifically in this chapter (along with their houses) as being obedient to the gospel, including being baptized? (Lydia and the Philippian Jailer, vs. 14-15; 30-34)
  - c) What did the masters of the slave girl do when Paul cast the demon out of this “certain damsel?” (When they realized that their way of making money was gone, for she was involved in some type of fortune telling tied to the demonic influence, etc., they “caught Paul and Silas, and drew them into the marketplace unto the rulers” and proceeded to raise a rebellion against Paul and Silas that ended in the beating/imprisonment of Paul and Silas, vs. 16, 19ff)
  - d) What verse says, “...Sirs, what must I do to be saved?” (Acts 16:30)
  - e) What are the last two words of Acts 16:31? (“thy house.” This is important because many people take the verse out of context and teach salvation at the moment of belief for the jailer. However, the context clearly shows that both the jailer and HIS HOUSE were to believe in Christ. Yet, at the time Paul and Silas told the Jailer to believe, “his house” was not even there. The honest student will not disassociate Acts 16:31 from Acts 16:32. Acts 16:32 says, “And they spake unto him the word of the Lord, and to all that were IN HIS HOUSE.” Then, Acts 16:33 immediately points out that both HE and “ALL HIS” (after hearing the word of the Lord) were baptized straightway—i.e., immediately. To take Acts 16:30-31 out of the context of Acts 16:30-34 is a terrible injustice to the text. Like the rest of Acts, this passage is strong medicine regarding the necessity of baptism in the plan of salvation. Believing in Christ always involves baptism (Cf., Acts 2:38, 8:35ff, etc.)
  - f) Is it mandatory to believe in Christ? (Absolutely, vs. 31)
  - g) What verse mentions the Jailer and his family (now as Christians) rejoicing and believing in God? (Acts 16:34)
  - h) Were the Jailer and his family mentioned as rejoicing BEFORE or AFTER their baptism? (After, vs. 33-34; Cf., Acts 8:39)
  - i) Acts 16:40 declares, “And they went out of the prison, and entered into the house of \_\_\_\_\_: and when they had seen the \_\_\_\_\_, they \_\_\_\_\_ them, and departed.” (Lydia; brethren; comforted)

## 5. Thursday –

- 1) 2 Kings 3 – Read & Answer Below
  - a) 2 Kings 3:1 says, “Now \_\_\_\_\_ the son of \_\_\_\_\_ began to reign over Israel in Samaria....” (Jehoram; Ahab)
  - b) Was the evil of Jehoram worse than that of “his father, and...his mother?” (No, vs. 2)

- c) When the “king of Moab” rebelled against Jehoram, the king of Israel, did Jehoshaphat the king of Judah agree to go with/help the king of Israel? (Yes, vs. 7, 9)
- d) What other king was allied with Jehoram and Jehoshaphat? (The king of Edom, vs. 9, 12)
- e) What verse says, “But Jehoshaphat said, Is there not here a prophet of the Lord, that we may inquire of the Lord by him?” (2 Kings 3:11)
- f) What “prophet of the Lord” did the three kings go to for inquiry? (Elisha, vs. 11ff)
- g) Speaking to the king of Israel, what verse records the words of Elisha, “...were it not that I regard the presence of Jehoshaphat king of Judah, I would not look toward thee, nor see thee?” (2 Kings 3:14)
- h) What element was miraculously provided, as spoken by the prophet Elisha? (Water, vs. 16-20, Cf., vs. 9)
- i) Instead of water, the Moabites thought the water was \_\_\_\_\_. (blood, vs. 23)
- j) Did the trio of Israel, Judah and Edom defeated the Moabites or did Moab prevail in the battle? (Moab was defeated just as God had spoken, vs. 18, 21ff)
- k) During the battle, how many men did “the king of Moab” take with him “to break through even unto the king of Edom?” Did it work? (Seven hundred; No, vs. 26)

2) Acts 17 – Read Only

6. **Friday** –

1) 2 Kings 4 – Read & Answer Below

- a) What verse says, “Now there cried a certain woman of the wives of the sons of the prophets unto Elisha...?” (2 Kings 4:1)
- b) This widow said that, “the \_\_\_\_\_ is come to take unto him my two sons to be bondmen.” (creditor, vs. 1)
- c) The poor widow said that the only thing she had in the house was “a pot of \_\_\_\_\_.” (oil, vs. 2)
- d) What verse says, “...Go, sell the oil, and pay thy debt, and live thou and thy children of the rest?” (2 Kings 4:7)
- e) 2 Kings 4:8 declares, “...Elisha passed to Shunem, where was a great \_\_\_\_\_; and she constrained him to eat bread. And so it was, that as oft as he passed by, he turned in thither to eat \_\_\_\_\_.” (woman; bread)
- f) What verse refers to “a little chamber” that the great woman of Shunem and her husband prepared for Elisha? (2 Kings 4:10)
- g) What blessing was the woman of Shunem blessed with? (She was able to bare a son, vs. 17)
- h) In what verse did the dying/injured boy complain to his father, “My head, my head?” (2 Kings 4:19)
- i) What verse says, “And when she came to the man of God to the hill, she caught him by the feet: but Gehazi came near to thrust her away. And the man of God said, Let her alone...?” (2 Kings 4:27)
- j) What object was Gehazi to place upon the child’s face? (Elisha’s staff, vs. 29, 31)
- k) Was Elisha, through the power of God, able to raise the boy from the dead? (Yes, vs. 34-37)

- l) What verse says, "...O thou man of God, there is death in the pot. And they could not eat thereof?" (2 Kings 4:40)
- 2) Acts 17 – Read & Answer Below
- Acts 17:1 says, "...and...they came to \_\_\_\_\_, where was a synagogue of the Jews." (Thessalonica)
  - "And Paul, as his manner was, went in unto them, and three Sabbath days \_\_\_\_\_ with them out of the \_\_\_\_\_." (reasoned; scriptures, vs. 2)
  - Acts 17:3 says of Paul, that he was, "\_\_\_\_\_ and alleging, that Christ must needs have \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ again from the \_\_\_\_\_; and that this Jesus whom I preach unto you, is \_\_\_\_\_." (Opening; suffered; risen; dead; Christ)
  - What verse refers to "the Jews which believed not" and which "moved with envy...?" (Acts 17:5)
  - What was the name of the Christian whose house was assaulted? (Jason, vs. 5ff)
  - Acts 17:16 tells us, "Now while \_\_\_\_\_ waited for them at \_\_\_\_\_ his spirit was \_\_\_\_\_ in him, when he saw the city wholly given to \_\_\_\_\_." (Paul; Athens; stirred; idolatry)
  - Acts 17:18 states that Paul "...preached unto them \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_." (Jesus; resurrection)
  - In what verse does Paul refer to their ignorant worship (i.e., he says, "Whom therefore ye ignorantly worship")? (Acts 17:23)
  - Referencing God, in what verse does Paul tell those of Athens, "For in Him we live, and move and have our being...?" (Acts 17:28)
  - Did Paul tell them that repentance is necessary? If so, in what verse? (Yes, Acts 17:30)

## 7. Saturday –

- 1) 2 Kings 5 – Read & Answer Below
- What was the name of the "mighty man of valor," who "was a leper?" (Naaman, vs. 1)
  - What verse refers to a "captive out of the land of Israel" who was "a little maid" and who "waited on Naaman's wife?" (2 Kings 5:2)
  - How did the King of Israel react when he received the Syrian King's letter, requesting Naaman be healed of leprosy? (The King of Israel "rent his clothes, and said, Am I God...?, vs. 7. Obviously, the unspiritual King of Israel was not thinking of God's power and prophets)
  - In what verse does Elisha say, "...let him come now to me, and he shall know that there is a prophet in Israel?" (2 Kings 5:8)
  - What was Naaman told to do in order to be cleansed of his leprosy? (He was told to, "Go and wash in Jordan seven times," vs. 10)
  - Was Naaman's first reaction that of quick obedience? (No. His first reaction was that of anger and frustration which involved him saying, "Behold I thought" and turning and going "away in a rage," vs. 11-12)
  - Was Naaman saved from his leprosy BEFORE or AFTER he dipped in water? (After, vs. 14)
  - Was Naaman saved from his leprosy BY HIS OWN MERITS or BY THE GRACE OF GOD? (By the Grace of God, vs. 8-10, 14. Note, this is a perfect parallel in many ways to the Gospel plan of salvation in the New Testament—

especially the necessity of water baptism. Under the Gospel System, men are saved AFTER they obey the Gospel, not BEFORE. Compare also the final step in the plan of salvation in becoming a Christian—i.e., AFTER baptism—not before, cf. Acts 2:38, 22:16, Romans 6:1-18. Just as Naaman was saved from leprosy by God’s grace, so men today are equally saved by God’s grace (and not their meritorious workings) AFTER they submit to God’s plan—including the necessity of water baptism for the remission of sins. Study 2 Kings 5 beside Acts 2—what a parallel! The false idea of some, “that the necessity of water baptism is a work of merit” is utterly proved false by Naaman’s case. Romans 15:4.)

- i) Would Elisha “take a blessing” from Naaman? (No, vs. 16)
- j) What “servant of Elisha” chased after Naaman and lied in order to receive money/gifts from the healed Naaman? (Gehazi, vs. 20ff)
- k) What was Gehazi’s punishment for his sin? (He was made a leper, vs. 27)

2) Acts 17 – Read & Word Study/Research

- a) What verse says, “These were more noble than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the word with all readiness of mind, and searched the scriptures daily, whether those things were so?” (Acts 17:11)
- b) What three locations/cities does this chapter discuss, as relating to the preaching of Paul? (Thessalonica, Berea, Athens, vs. 1, 10, 15)
- c) Again speaking about Paul, Acts 17:17 reads, “Therefore \_\_\_\_\_ he in the synagogue with the Jews, and with the devout persons, and in the market \_\_\_\_\_ with them that met with him.” (disputed; daily)
- d) In what verse are “the Epicureans, and...Stoics” mentioned? (Acts 17:18)
- e) Paul said that God “hath made of \_\_\_\_\_ blood \_\_\_\_\_ nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth....” (one; all, vs. 26)
- f) Acts 17:27 relates, “That they should \_\_\_\_\_ the Lord, if haply they might feel after Him, and \_\_\_\_\_ Him, though He be not far from \_\_\_\_\_ one of us.” (seek; find; every)
- g) In what verse did Paul speak of an appointed day of judgment by God, through Jesus Christ, and of the assurance of that day based on the resurrection of Christ from the dead? (Acts 17:31)
- h) What was the reaction to Paul’s strong preaching in Athens? (Some mocked, some seemed indifferent and said that would hear him again and some believed, vs. 32-34)