

## 2 CHRONICLES

**Summary Of 2 Chronicles:** This book parallels 1 and 2 Kings, focusing on Judah's godly kings, Asa, Jehoshaphat, Joash, Hezekiah, and Josiah. The temple and temple worship are central to the book.

**Lesson:** *Our temples (bodies) and worship should be central to our lives.*

## 2 CHRONICLES 1-5

### SOLOMON'S TEMPLE

#### Chapter 1 Solomon Is Greatly Blessed

**Summary:** Solomon asks God for wisdom and knowledge to judge Israel (1-10). God grants this, as well as riches, wealth, and honor (11-12). Solomon grows militarily and economically, contrary to Deut. 17:16-17.

**Lesson:** *Trust in God's provisions, not your own.*

#### Chapter 2 Solomon Prepares To Build The Temple

**Summary:** Solomon asks Tyre's King Hiram for a master craftsman, laborers, and timber, in exchange for food (1-10). Hiram agrees (11-18).

**Lesson:** *We must work fairly with others to accomplish God's tasks.*

#### Chapter 3-4 Solomon Builds And Furnishes The Temple

**Summary:** Solomon builds and furnishes the temple [in 7 years {966-959 B.C.}, at a cost of about 174 billion dollars in today's dollars].

**Lesson:** *We, as believers and as God's temple on earth [1 Cor. 6:19], are of far more value than this temple. Christ died for us, not this building!*

#### Chapter 5 Solomon Installs The Ark

**Summary:** The ark is put in the Most Holy Place (1-10), praise is offered, and the cloud of God's glory fills the house [see also Ex. 40:35] (11-14).

**Lesson:** *"Your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit" (1 Cor. 6:19). ["Temple" {Gr. "naos"} means both Holy place and Holy of Holies.]*