

DAVID IS DYING AND DISINTERESTED

- David is failing rapidly, hasn't named a successor
- Adonijah throws a banquet to celebrate his status as prince-in-waiting
- David has no knowledge of Adonijah's actions
- Nathan enlists Bathsheba to insist that David keeps his promise to name Solomon as king



BATHSHEBA GOES TO DAVID

- *Avishag* was with David as his caregiver
- Bathsheba, even as David's wife, prostrated herself before the King
- *Bat-Sheva* reminds David of his promise to make *Shlomo* the next king
- She tells David that *Adoniyah* has declared himself to be king
- *Evyatar* and *Yo'av* were present with Adonijah



BATHSHEBA GIVES DAVID WRONG INFORMATION ABOUT ADONIJAH



- **Bat-Sheva** asks David to publicly announce the next king as Solomon
- People are in the dark as to who will follow David
- Nathan arrives and tells David the same story
- **Natan** asks if David intended to bypass **Shlomo** and instead choose **Adoniyah**

DAVID FINALLY ACTS

- It was only a few hours from the beginning to the end of Chapter 1
- Bathsheba, Nathan, Avishag and some members of David royal court hear his vow to name Solomon as King
- Solomon is to become king TODAY!
- ***Chayah olam*** = live eternally
- Bathsheba is wishing David a happy afterlife



David's Jerusalem

Fortress and David's Palace

Gihon Springs

GICHON SPRINGS

EIN -ROGEL

Kidron Valley

➤ ***Mayim Chayim*** means Living Water

➤ Solomon anointed at the ***Gichon*** Springs

➤ Adonijah's banquet at the Rogel Springs



SOLOMON IS ANOINTED AS KING



- When the townspeople saw Solomon on the Royal Mule they knew he was King
- **Tzadok** the High Priest used the special olive oil from the tent to anoint **Shlomo** (Ex. 30)
- **Evyatar** was NOT of the authorized line of Priests
- **B'nayah**, chief of the royal bodyguard, confirmed the appointment

SOLOMON SITS ON THE THRONE

- David is no longer the King
- He is the king-father who has seniority
- Solomon is to rule over Judah AND Israel
- Judah and Israel were seen as one nation under David, but were two separate coalitions and entities



WHEN THE SHOE FALLS



- Adoniyah is still partying when word comes of Solomon's coronation
- The celebrating stopped and the guests fled
- David, on his deathbed, bowed before God and thanked Him
- Solomon did NOT seem to be David's favorite, nor did David view Adonijah as a bad or undeserving man
- It is our duty to accept God's will in everything, and to see it's manifestation as blessing

ADONIYAH FLEES TO THE ALTAR

- *Adoniyah's* guests didn't want to be associated with him any longer
- Adonijah grabs the horns of the altar
- Seen as a place of refuge
- He had NOT rebelled
- Little doubt he went to the altar on Araunah's threshing floor on Mt. Moriah



ONLY A MURDERER COULD BE TAKEN FROM THE ALTAR

- Concept of refuge/sanctuary very powerful in the Middle East
- Ex. 21:14
- Adonijah acknowledges Solomon as king, and himself as his servant
- Solomon puts Adonijah on probation
- The new King's first act was one of mercy and not retribution
- John 3:17 ***“ For God did not send the Son....to judge...but through Him the world might be saved....”***

