

“MAKE A WISH, SOLOMON!”
(2 KINGS 3)

I. The Reign of Solomon (Chp 1-11)

A. The Transition to the New King (1:1-2:11)

B. Solomon Establishing His Reign (2:12-4:34)

3. He did this by _____ known enemies out of his kingdom! (2:12-46)

4. He did this by asking God for _____ to _____ His people (3:4-28)

a. Solomon’s diplomacy (3:1-3)

1) Solomon made a _____ with Pharaoh, king of Egypt, & married Pharaoh’s _____ to seal the deal!

- What is the significance of this treaty/marriage?

2) Israel sacrificed at the “_____” because there was no _____ place at this time to offer sacrifice until a temple could be built!

- What were the “high places”?

3) At this time, what Solomon offered was not offered to the wrong _____, but just in the wrong _____!

b. Here Lord first _____ to Solomon in a _____! (3:4-9)

1) Solomon’s love for Jehovah was _____ by him offering _____ burnt offerings to the Lord!

- What was the significance of a “burnt offering”?

2) In this dream, God says, “Ask, what shall I _____?” (John 15:7-8)

3) Solomon's heart response viewed everything from _____ will & purpose, not _____ own will or purpose in life! (3:6)

- What do these statements mean?

"little child" =

"I don't know how to go out or come in" =

"Therefore...give your servant an understanding heart" =

- Why would this be needed?

c. God's response to Solomon's request (3:10-15)

1) Because you have not asked _____, I will _____ you what you asked for, _____!

- What did God offer Solomon?

2) Solomon's immediate response was to return to Jerusalem & offer _____ to the Lord _____!

d. The _____ of Solomon before the people (3:16-28)

4) A difficult situation to judge with no _____ to _____ the stories!

5) Solomon declares the baby be "cut in _____ & _____ given to each mother"!

6) When all the people heard of the wisdom of _____ through Solomon, they stood in reverential _____ & _____ of him!

- Where do we get this kind of wisdom today?