

29. (Week of March 12, 2017)

**God's Covenant in Israel****2 Kings 17; 18:19-22****Memory Verse:** *Therefore, my beloved, flee from idolatry* (1 Cor. 10:14 ESV).**Sun:** 2 Kings 17:1-6 – How did the northern kingdom, Israel, come to an end?**Mon:** 2 Kings 17:7-12 – Why did the northern kingdom go into captivity? What warning do you see here for us today?**Tue:** 2 Kings 17:13-18 – Repeat yesterday's questions.**Wed:** 2 Kings 17:19-23 – Repeat yesterday's questions.**Thu:** 2 Kings 17:24-33 – "Syncretism" is the combining of differing religious beliefs. How were syncretistic practices introduced into Israel?**Fri:** 2 Kings 17:34-41 – What does God think of "syncretism" (see yesterday's reading and question)?**Sat:** 2 Kings 18:9-12 – Repeat Monday's questions.

30. (Week of March 19, 2017)

**God's Covenant in Judah****2 Kings 22-23; 2 Chronicles 34-36****Memory Verse:** *"But this is the one to whom I will look: he who is humble and contrite in spirit and trembles at my word"* (Isaiah 66:2b ESV).**Sun:** 2 Chronicles 34:1-7 – What reforms did Josiah institute in Judah, even at a young age?**Mon:** 2 Kings 22:3-13 – What important discovery did Hilkiah, the high priest, make in the temple? How did King Josiah respond to this discovery?**Tue:** 2 Kings 22:14-20 – Summarize the message of the prophetess, Huldah, to King Josiah.**Wed:** 2 Kings 23:1-9 – Why is Hilkiah's discovery (see 1 Kings 22:8) called "the Book of the Covenant"? What further reforms does Josiah institute in Judah?**Thu:** 2 Kings 23:10-15, 19-20 – What reforms does Josiah institute in Judah? Do you have any idols in your life that you need to tear down?**Fri:** 2 Kings 23:21-27 – What commendable steps did Josiah take as king of Judah? Why did these reforms fail to save Judah from future exile?**Sat:** 2 Chronicles 36:11-23 – Why and how was Judah taken into exile?

31. (Week of March 26, 2017)

**God's Covenant in Restored Judah****Nehemiah 1-2; 4; 6; 8-10****Memory Verse:** *He sent redemption to his people; he has commanded his covenant forever. Holy and awesome is his name!* (Ps. 111:9 ESV).**Sun:** Nehemiah 1 – On what basis does Nehemiah plead with God on behalf of Judah?**Mon:** Nehemiah 2 – How does God answer Nehemiah's prayer? What initial steps does he take toward rebuilding the walls of Jerusalem?**Tue:** Nehemiah 4 – How does Nehemiah deal with the opposition to his building project? What lessons do we learn here about how to face opposition in our own work for God?**Wed:** Nehemiah 6:1-16 – Repeats yesterday's questions.**Thu:** Nehemiah 9:1-15 – In this prayer, for what do the people of God praise the LORD? Follow their example.**Fri:** Nehemiah 9:16-31 – What sins do the people of God confess to the Lord? Follow their example.**Sat:** Nehemiah 9:32-38; 10:28-31 – What are the petition and the pledge of the people of God?

32. (Week of April 2, 2017)

**God's Covenant in the Psalms****Psalms 25; 74; 103; 111****Memory Verse:** *But the steadfast love of the LORD is from everlasting to everlasting on those who fear him, and his righteousness to children's children, to those who keep his covenant and remember to do his commandments* (Ps. 103:17-18 ESV).**Sun:** Psalms 25:1-7, 17-22 – List David's petitions to the LORD. Make these same requests in your own prayers to God.**Mon:** Psalms 25:8-16 – Summarize David's teaching in this part of the psalm, especially about the "covenant" (vv. 10, 14).**Tue:** Psalms 74:1-11 – Summarize the psalmist's complaint to God.**Wed:** Psalms 74:12-23 – What had God done for his people in the past? On what basis does the psalmist plead with God to act on their behalf in the future?**Thu:** Psalms 103:1-14 – For what does David praise the LORD (vv. 1-5)? Describe the character and works of the LORD (vv. 6-14).**Fri:** Psalms 103:15-22 – Do you fear the LORD, keep his covenant, and obey his commandments (vv. 17-18)?**Sat:** Psalms 111 – Describe the works and character of the LORD. Follow the psalmist's example and praise the LORD.