

MAN, YOU WALK JUST LIKE YO' DADDY!

2 Kings 22 & 23

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The bible refers to “walk” as spiritual; moral. Each man must decide how he is going to walk, and it will determine what kind of life he lives, the influence he will have on others and what kind of legacy he will leave behind.

Great-Grandfather - King Hezekiah – *2 Kings 18:1-6* ;

Grandfather - King Manasseh - *2 Kings 21:1-9*;

Father – King Amon – *2 Kings 21:19-24*

Josiah went back 16 generations and decided he was going to be dedicated to the Lord like his ancestral father King David.

1. WALKING IN THE WORK FOR THE LORD – vv. 4-5

v. 3 his first interest was to repair the house of the Lord from the damages and the dilapidation from years of misuse and mismanagement.

2. WALKING IN THE WORD OF THE LORD – vv. 8-12

Once the book of the law was found and Josiah heard the words of the book of the law (Deuteronomy for kings), he immediately applied it to himself and the nation. He heard the voice of God when the Word of God was read. Results vv. 18-20. King Josiah walked in the Word. It tenderized his heart for the Lord.

3. WALKING IN THE WORSHIP OF THE LORD – vv. 23:1-3

King Josiah made a commitment to walk in a personal, obedient and worshipful relationship with the Lord. A true worshipper of God can only be known by obedience!

4. WALKING AS A WITNESS FOR THE LORD – vv. 23:4-20

a) What Josiah Removed From The land – 4-19, 24

v. 4 Destroyed all the vessels made for the idol gods.

v. 5 Did away with the priests whom the other bad kings appointed to serve the idol gods

v. 6 Burned Asherah to fine dust and threw the ashes on the graves of past worshippers

v. 7 Tore down the houses where homosexual prostitutes sold their services in the temple

v. 8 Ejected the priests of Judah who burned incense to idols and tore down the high places

v. 10 Destroyed Topheth, a statue where people sacrificed and burned their firstborn to Molech

v. 11 Destroyed the horses and burned the chariots that were dedicated to the sun god.

v. 12 Smashed the altars in pieces on the roof that King Ahaz and Manasseh made in the temple

v. 13 The high places King Solomon built for his pagan wives were destroyed

v. 14 Broke in pieces sacred pillars, cut down the Asherim poles (goddess of fertility;Baal wife)

v. 15 Broke down the altar that wicked King Jeroboam set up along with the high places.

v. 19 Went to Samaria and removed the high places there that provoked the Lord

v. 20 All the priests who served the idols were slaughtered on the altar and burned their bones

v. 24 Removed the mediums and spiritists, teraphim and all the idols and abominations

20b.... The he returned to Jerusalem

b) What Josiah Renewed In The Land – vv. 21-23

Due to all the idolatries they had been involved in, a pure, sincere and holy celebration hadn't been done since Joshua's time. He had them to solemnly remember that the Lord was still their God, Who brought them up out of the land of Egypt and has kept them until that very day.

c) What Josiah's Reputation Was In The Land – v. 25

Josiah's reputation as a man who walked like his ancestral Daddy David, gave him the greatest reputation among all the kings of the earth, except King Jesus; whose Father was God. And He walked with Him fully!