

- I. Read 1 Kings 8, 2 Chronicles 5-7
- II. Define unknown words
- III. Answer the following questions

Context – 24 priestly courses instituted by David (1 Chronicles 24)

1	Jehoiarib	7	Hakkoz	13	Huppah	19	Pethahiah
2	Jedaiah	8	Abijah	14	Jeshebeab	20	Jehezkel
3	Harim	9	Jeshua	15	Bilgah	21	Jachin
4	Seorim	10	Shecaniah	16	Immer	22	Gamul
5	Malchijah	11	Eliashib	17	Hezir	23	Delaiah
6	Mijamin	12	Jakim	18	Happizzez	24	Maaziah

Comprehension

1. In what month did Solomon assemble the elders
2. What was in the ark of the covenant
3. What passage is Solomon quoting in 1 Kings 8:16, 18-19
4. What was the peace offering Solomon offered before the LORD?
5. Why did Solomon clear out the middle of the court of the temple for the offerings, rather than offering them upon the brasen altar?
6. How many days was the temple dedication ceremony?
7. What is the reference in 2 Chronicles 5:11 to the fact that all the priests were sanctified, and “did not then wait by course”?
8. Where was Solomon standing and kneeling during the dedication?

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9. According to 2 Chronicles 7, what happened to the offerings when Solomon had ended his prayer? What is the significance of this event?

Discussion Opportunities

The following topics are intended to present opportunities for relevant spiritual discussions among the families of the church. These are written as “leading questions”, and are not intended to be “answered” as much as “discussed”. Feel free to add other discussion topics, and be sure to mention them in Sunday School!

1. Solomon acknowledges that God’s glory cannot be contained by a building made with man’s hands, yet Solomon asks God to be willing to regard the temple as “his house”. Why would God allow a house to be built “for Him”? What might this tell us about the nature of God’s interactions with man, not only in this instance, but in all instances?

2. Solomon appeals to God to have so much respect for the temple that, if God’s people with a heart of humility seek toward the house of the LORD, that God would without fail regard this heart and respond with complete mercy. Discuss how this prayer/covenant would have shaped the mindset of God’s people regarding the importance of the temple. Discuss how this unique relationship between God and the temple would inform our understanding of the events of the captivity and the temple’s destruction.

3. Jews pray toward Jerusalem, to this day, on account of the prophetic promises found in Solomon’s prayer regarding God turning away the Jew’s captivity. To this day, the Jews have not been regathered and restored. What condition are they missing that Solomon’s prayer emphasized for their restoration to be completed?