

GRADUATION
SUNDAY



2 Chronicles 16

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 - “Stick with God; he will stick with you.”

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³ For a long time Israel was without the true God, without a priest to teach them, and without the Law to instruct them.

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⁴ But whenever they were in trouble and turned to the LORD, the God of Israel, and sought him out, they found him.

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 - (.5-7) Things are bad everywhere, not safe to travel

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 - Removed idols

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 - Repaired the altar of the LORD

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 - Even dumps grandma as Queen Mom b/c of her idol worship (.16)

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 - Called everyone together to worship God

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¹⁴ They shouted out their oath of loyalty to the LORD with trumpets blaring and rams' horns sounding. ¹⁵ All in Judah were happy about this covenant, for they had entered into it with all their heart. They earnestly sought after God, and they found him. And the LORD gave them rest from their enemies on every side.

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In the thirty-sixth year of Asa's reign, King Baasha of Israel invaded Judah and fortified Ramah in order to prevent anyone from entering or leaving King Asa's territory in Judah.

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² Asa responded by removing the silver and gold from the treasuries of the Temple of the LORD and the royal palace. He sent it to King Ben-hadad of Aram, who was ruling in Damascus, along with this message:

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³ “Let there be a treaty between you and me like the one between your father and my father. See, I am sending you silver and gold. Break your treaty with King Baasha of Israel so that he will leave me alone.”

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⁴ Ben-hadad agreed to King Asa's request and sent the commanders of his army to attack the towns of Israel. They conquered the towns of Ijon, Dan, Abel-beth-maacah, and all the store cities in Naphtali.

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⁵ As soon as Baasha of Israel heard what was happening, he abandoned his project of fortifying Ramah and stopped all work on it.

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⁶ Then King Asa called out all the men of Judah to carry away the building stones and timbers that Baasha had been using to fortify Ramah. Asa used these materials to fortify the towns of Geba and Mizpah.

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⁷ At that time Hanani the seer came to King Asa and told him, “Because you have put your trust in the king of Aram instead of in the LORD your God, you missed your chance to destroy the army of the king of Aram.

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⁸ Don't you remember what happened to the Ethiopians and Libyans and their vast army, with all of their chariots and charioteers? At that time you relied on the LORD, and he handed them over to you.

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⁹ The eyes of the LORD search the whole earth in order to strengthen those whose hearts are fully committed to him. What a fool you have been! From now on you will be at war.”

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¹⁰ Asa became so angry with Hanani for saying this that he threw him into prison and put him in stocks. At that time Asa also began to oppress some of his people.

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¹¹ The rest of the events of Asa's reign, from beginning to end, are recorded in The Book of the Kings of Judah and Israel.

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¹² In the thirty-ninth year of his reign, Asa developed a serious foot disease. Yet even with the severity of his disease, he did not seek the LORD's help but turned only to his physicians.

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¹³ So he died in the forty-first year of his reign.

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