

MESSAGE NOTES | FEBRUARY 17 2019



The Chronicles
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CBE: p. 361-463 | NIV: p. 274-324

Here's what you are to look for in the Chronicles:

1. Look for the big story line by looking for big names.
2. Note that the emphasis is exclusively on the line of David.
3. Watch for the major faith lessons.
 - a. Solomon → "Will God really dwell on earth with humans?"
p.419 (2 Chronicles 6:18)

Lesson: **God's plan has always been to live among His people!**

- b. Rehoboam → "He abandoned the Law of the LORD."
p.427 (2 Chronicles 12:1)

Lesson: **Once we are established and strong in our faith, our greatest temptation will be to abandon the Word precisely because we are so familiar with it.**

- c. Jehoshaphat → "I can tell him only what my God says"
p.433 (2 Chronicles 18:13)

Lesson: **Truth has never been and will be determined by consensus**

- d. Manasseh → the most wicked king in the history of the people of God
p. 456 (2 Chronicles 33)

Lesson: **God's amazing grace always responds to genuine repentance!**

- e. Josiah → "I have found the Book." p.458 (2 Chronicles 34)

Lesson: **Rediscovering the Word of God (which cannot be destroyed) and living in obedience to it, leads to revival.**

4. Pay attention to the ending ("aliyah").

THE ONE THING: ***The story of God is not over!***

Miss something? Completed sermon notes are available online. Binders to organize your sermon notes are available at the upstairs Welcome Desk.

NEXT STEPS

- Memorize 2 Chronicles 6:18.
- CBE readings for this week (don't give up).
- Gather with your CBE small group.
- Write your family story.



This week, as we begin reading Chronicles, we're going to revisit the covenant history we read last year. You'll already be familiar with a lot of what we read this week, though you'll notice a different emphasis. Each day, pay attention to the idea of true worship.

As you meet with your small group, remember to treat each discussion more like a book club than a traditional study.

These gatherings are a chance to immerse ourselves in the story together. They're not about finding all the right answers or settling every interpretive debate. Honor each person's questions and insights—and be sure to encourage one another in your reading!

Source: "Invitation to Chronicles-Ezra-Nehemiah," p. 358.

JOIN THE CONVERSATION

Think of your weekly discussion group as more of a book club than a Bible study. All you have to do is share your responses to five simple questions:

1. What's something you noticed **for the first time**?
2. What **questions** did you have?
3. Was there anything that **bothered** you?
4. What did you learn about **loving God**?
5. What did you learn about **loving others**?

WORSHIP LYRICS

If you'd like to spend more time with the lyrics from any of the songs this morning, please click on the song title below to continue worshipping.

[Rising Sun](#)

[Unchanging God](#)

[Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me](#)

[Only a Holy God](#)

[Your Grace is Enough](#)