

The Conditions of a Consecrated Life (1 Kings 9)

Notes: Week Seven

The Lord Appears to Solomon - 1 Kings 9:1-28

Topics: <u>Achievements</u>, <u>Appearance</u>, <u>Disobedience</u>, <u>Fellowship</u>, <u>Forsake</u>, <u>Gifts</u>, <u>Heart</u>, <u>Idolatry</u>, <u>Integrity</u>, <u>Law</u>, <u>Marriage</u>, <u>Name</u>, <u>Obligation</u>, <u>Partnerships</u>, <u>Possessions</u>, <u>Prayer</u>, <u>Rejection</u>, <u>Righteousness</u>, <u>Sacrifice</u>, <u>Slavery</u>, <u>Wealth</u>, <u>Worship</u>

Open It

- 1. Who in your family has been a "hard act to follow" because of his or her achievements?
- 2. *How do you tend to react to warnings?

Explore It

- 3. When did the Lord appear to Solomon a second time? (9:1-2)
- 4. *What positive response did God make to the prayers Solomon had offered at the dedication of the temple? (9:3)
- 5. *What "if" did God reiterate to Solomon concerning his relationship to God? (9:4-5)
- 6. *What did God promise to do if Solomon or his descendants failed to obey His commands? (9:6-9)
- 7. During what time period was Solomon busy with building the temple and palace? (9:10)
- 8. How did Hiram feel about the "gift" Solomon gave him in thanks for the raw materials for the temple? (9:11-13)
- 9. For what sorts of projects did Solomon conscript laborers? (9:15-19)
- 10. Who provided the slave labor in Solomon's kingdom? (9:20-21)
- 11. What sorts of positions were filled by Israelites? (9:22-23)
- 12. How did Solomon go about fulfilling the temple obligations? (9:25)
- 13. What seafaring venture did Solomon and Hiram enter into together? (9:26-28)

Get It

- 14. What could possibly cause God to reject Israel and the temple that had been built for Him?
- 15. What conclusion would passers-by draw if they were to see the temple in Israel devastated?
- 16. Why was it wise that Solomon did not make any Israelites slaves?
- 17. *What behavior does God expect of His people today?
- 18. *Why is it so abhorrent to God for His people to turn away from Him and worship other gods?

Apply It

- 19. *What practices can help you to live in obedience to God day by day?
- 20. What "temple" can you ask God to consecrate?