

Sermon: Two Little Kings

Bible Verses: 2 Chronicles 33-34

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Manasseh

He did _____ in the eyes of the Lord by following disgusting practices of _____ nations, the very nations that God *drove out* and _____ for doing wrong.

He made new altars and places to worship _____. He even _____ his own sons to false gods, burning them to _____!

Josiah

He did what was _____ in the eyes of the Lord, *not turning aside to the right or to the left (that means he was _____ and wholeheartedly following God)*.

He _____ to find God, he _____ God, and he wanted to know God and serve God.

Josiah didn't _____ for good things to happen, and he didn't _____ avoid evil. He passionately attacked evil and pursued good things.

- Josiah _____ Judah of high places and idols.
- He didn't get rid of evil stuff - He _____ them down, _____ them to pieces, _____ them, etc. He even _____ the bones of the false priests!
- Josiah began to _____ the _____ of the Lord. He decided to do great things in service to God.
- **When they found God's word, and read it, Josiah immediate _____ in mourning for not doing _____ in God's book!!**

Finally, when Manasseh was in distress he _____ of the Lord and humbled himself, and GOD HAD _____ ON MANASSEH, BECAUSE TRULY PURSUED GOD.

I can be _____, or make decisions today, tomorrow, and each day to live like _____.

HOW TO BE MORE PASSIONATELY HOLY:

- Read about the life of Jesus (Books of Matthew, Mark, Luke, John in the Bible)
- _____ what Jesus says
- Find the idols in your life (anything that distracts you from God) and _____ them
- Stretch yourself by _____ to do things for God
- Look for opportunities to tell people about Jesus' forgiveness
- Commit to follow him with all your energy, no matter what may come. Be it life or _____, wealth or poverty.

TAKE IT HOME (Go deeper by doing these studies and practices at home this week)

Day 1: Read 2 Chronicles 34 (Josiah). List the idols/problems that keep you from God. How can you **destroy** them?

Day 2: Read Mark 12:28-31. How much strength should you use? Jesus lists four things you should love God with, what are they? Which of those do you need to work on more? How can you do that? Then read James 2:14-19 - what does it mean?

Day 3: Read Psalm 46. God is described as *what*? If you gave God EVERYTHING what do you fear most? How does this Psalm help?

Day 4: Spend time in prayer today talking with God about good things you want to do to serve him. Then read Matthew 25:14-30 (Jesus is talking about what his Kingdom is like)

Day 5: Take a risk: find someone to invite to Church who doesn't know Jesus yet. Read Romans 10:14-15 and Mark 16:15.