



Community Bible Experience™

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2 Kings 11-25  
CBE, pp. 525  
NIV, pp. 261-273

However

High Places

**How does this happen to a nation founded upon the Scripture?**

1. The Word of God is neglected, tolerated, rejected & finally lost.
2. Idolatry is overlooked, then expected, then glorified.
3. Immorality is smiled at, then promoted, then normalized.
4. Evil is denied, then excused, then out of control.

Any solutions?

Any hope?

THE ONE THING: Jesus

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

## NEXT STEPS

- Memorize Proverbs 4:23 and Mark 12:30-31.
- Complete your CBE readings.
- How will you deal with your "however" and your "high places."
- Other \_\_\_\_\_



## WEEK 8: SAMUEL-KINGS

Hey, it's our last week reading big, reading real, reading together through the Old Testament's Covenant History. Rejoice!

This week, we'll wrap up the demise of Israel's monarchy and the nation.

Note the surprising last paragraph of the last day's reading. In the midst of the nation's downfall due to moral and religious failure, a glimmer of hope shines. Despite the people's unfaithfulness to the covenant, God has remained faithful to His own promise to David. The deeper purpose of God that was revealed at Israel's birth—to bring blessing and restoration to the nations—is still alive.

Source: "Invitation to Samuel-Kings," p. 377.

## 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 one of the hyperlinks below to continue worshipping.

**King of the World:**

<https://www.google.com/search?q=king+of+the+world+lyrics&aq=chrome.69i57j0l5.3647j0j7&sourceid=chrome&ie=UTF-8>

**Like an Avalanche:**

<https://www.google.com/search?q=like+an+avalanche+lyrics&aq=chrome.0l3j69i57j0l2.2207j0j9&sourceid=chrome&ie=UTF-8>

**Gracefully Broken:**

<https://www.google.com/search?q=gracefully+broken+lyrics&aq=chrome.0.0j69i57j0l4.3368j0j9&sourceid=chrome&ie=UTF-8>

**Clean:**

<https://www.google.com/search?ei=DSWYwqemHs3etQWznYygBw&q=clean+by+natalie+grant+lyrics&aq=chrome.0.0j69i57j0l4.3368j0j9&sourceid=chrome&ie=UTF-8>

**Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone):**

<http://www.worshipitogether.com/songs/amazing-grace-my-chains-are-gone/>