

God Appears to Solomon A Second Time

1 Kings 9

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God's Promise and Warning	9	1-5	God appears to Solomon a second time at Gibeon: “if you remain faithful, I will establish your throne forever...”
		6-9	“If you turn away, I will cut off Israel and make them a byword...”
10-14		Cities given to Hiram as payment for building materials	
15-22		An accounting of Solomon's building projects	
23		550 chief officers over the building projects	
24		Pharaoh's daughter moves into her new palace; Solomon builds the Milo	
25		Solomon's triannual sacrifices	
Cities Given to Hiram		26-28	Solomon's fleet of merchant ships with Hiram's sailors bring gold to Solomon

Reflections

God appears to Solomon a second time at Gibeon and promises to establish his throne forever just like He did for David. The rest of the chapter gives a summary of Solomon's building projects, his faithfulness to the requires annual sacrifices, and some of his economic activities.

As you read through Ecclesiastes 2, you see how even though God increased his wealth and prospered him in all his endeavors, Solomon still was unsatisfied or, probably more accurately, unfulfilled. From our text, God's only requirement was that Solomon remain faithful to following Him and God would bless him.

Remember what James wrote concerning business ventures.

James 4:13-17 NASB Come now, you who say, "Today or tomorrow we will go to such and such a city, and spend a year there and engage in business and make a profit." **14** Yet you do not know what your life will be like tomorrow. You are *just* a vapor that appears for a little while and then vanishes away. **15** Instead, *you ought* to say, "If the Lord wills, we will live and also do this or that." **16** But as it is, you boast in your arrogance; all such boasting is evil. **17** Therefore, to one who knows *the* right thing to do and does not do it, to him it is sin.

Remain faithful to God and He will remain faithful to you.

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