**LET’S LEARN SOMETHING FROM KING ASA**

**II Chronicles 15:1-2**

[**1**](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/2-Chronicles-15-1/) **And the Spirit of God came upon Azariah the son of Oded:** [**2**](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/2-Chronicles-15-2/) **And he went out to meet Asa, and said unto him, Hear ye me, Asa, and all Judah and Benjamin; The LORD *is* with you, while ye be with him; and if ye seek him, he will be found of you; but if ye forsake him, he will forsake you.**

**INTRO:**

**\*\*If we look in II Chronicles 15:3-4, we see something about Israel during this time.**

 **a. They went a long season without God!**

 **b. They went a long season without a teaching priest.**

 **c. They went a long season without law.**

**- However, when they sought for the Lord, the Lord was found! Thank God for His faithfulness!**

**\*\*King Asa was a leader for Israel – not like our current leaders in America and across the globe! He was a real godly leader!**

 **1. We will see how he led Israel in a Conflict.**

 **2. We will see how he led Israel in a Change.**

 **3. We will see how he led Israel in a Covenant.**

 **4. We will see how he led Israel in a Celebration.**

**\*\*So let’s now learn something from King Asa!**

**I. KING ASA KNEW SOMETHING ABOUT PRAYER**

**II Chronicles 14:9, 11, 12** [**9**](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/2-Chronicles-14-9/) **And there came out against them Zerah the Ethiopian with an host of a thousand thousand, and three hundred chariots; and came unto Mareshah.** [**11**](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/2-Chronicles-14-11/) **And Asa cried unto the LORD his God, and said, LORD, *it is* nothing with thee to help, whether with many, or with them that have no power: help us, O LORD our God; for we rest on thee, and in thy name we go against this multitude. O LORD, thou *art* our God; let not man prevail against thee.** [**12**](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/2-Chronicles-14-12/) **So the LORD smote the Ethiopians before Asa, and before Judah; and the Ethiopians fled.**

 **A. King Asa knew where to Turn**

 **1. He Relied on the Lord!**

**II Chronicles 14:11b  *it is* nothing with thee to help, whether with many, or with them that have no power: help us, O LORD our God**

 **2. He Rested on the Lord!**

**II Chronicles 14:11 for we rest on thee**

**\*\*If we would pray and rely on the Lord like King Asa did, we would be resting on the Lord like King Asa did!**

 **B. King Asa knew who to Trust**

 **1. He trusted God’s Help!**

**II Chronicles 14:11 help us, O LORD our God**

 **2. He trusted God’s Hand**

**II Chronicles 14:12 [12](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/2-Chronicles-14-12/%22%20%5Co%20%222%20Chronicles%2014%3A12%20KJV%20verse%20detail) So the LORD smote the Ethiopians before Asa,**

**\*\*Have you ever prayed a prayer of faith like that?**

**\*\*I want to learn from King Asa, and I want to have Prayers like that! Don’t you?**

**II. KING ASA KNEW SOMETHING ABOUT POWER**

**II Chronicles 15:9 And he gathered all Judah and Benjamin, and the strangers with them out of Ephraim and Manasseh, and out of Simeon: for they fell to him out of Israel in abundance, when they saw that the LORD his God *was* with him.**

**\*\*In verse 7, God’s man told King Asa to be strong and to not be weak!**

**\*\*In verse 8, King Asa took courage and took God’s power and he began to lead and do things with God’s power!**

 **A. Asa took God’s Power and Rejected some Things**

 **1. He Rejected the Filthy Idols**

**II Chronicles 15:8b put away the abominable idols out of all the land**

**\*\*The word abominable literally means filthy! There’s some filthy gods and things we need to get out of our lives and land as well!**

 **2. He Rejected the Family Idiots**

**II Chronicles 15:16 And also *concerning* Maachah the mother of Asa the king, he removed her from *being* queen, because she had made an idol in a grove: and Asa cut down her idol, and stamped *it*, and burnt *it* at the brook Kidron.**

**\*\*Sometimes you have to part from family to follow God, and sometimes you have to protect your kids from those family members who do not serve God!**

**\*\*God’s power helped King Asa to do it, and His power can help you to do it also!**

 **B. Asa took God’s Power and Renewed some Things**

 **1. He Renewed the Altar**

**II Chronicles 15:8 and renewed the altar of the LORD,**

**\*\*Has it been a long time since you used the altar? It’s time to renew it and go back and pray again!**

 **2. He Renewed the Allegiance**

**II Chronicles 15:9, 12 [9](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/2-Chronicles-15-9/%22%20%5Co%20%222%20Chronicles%2015%3A9%20KJV%20verse%20detail) And he gathered all Judah and Benjamin, . . . .** [**12**](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/2-Chronicles-15-12/) **And they entered into a covenant to seek the LORD God of their fathers with all their heart and with all their soul;**

 **C. Asa took God’s Power and Rededicated some Things**

 **1. Rededicated with an Attitude of Seeking**

**\*\*Are you willing to seek the Lord with all your heart and rededicate yourself to God?**

 **2. Rededicated with an Attitude of Sacrifice**

**II Chronicles 15:11 And they offered unto the LORD the same time,**

**\*\*Are you willing to rededicate yourself to the Lord and make some sacrifices?**

 **3. Rededicated with an Attitude of Submission**

**\*\*Are you willing to submit yourself to the Lord and rededicate your life to God?**

 **4. Rededicate with an Attitude of Sincerity**

**\*\*Are you willing to rededicate yourself to God with ALL your heart and soul and sincerely mean it?**

**\*\*I want to learn something from King Asa, and I want to have Power like that! Don’t you?**

**III. KING ASA KNEW SOMETHING ABOUT PROMISES**

**II Chronicles 15:14-15 [14](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/2-Chronicles-15-14/%22%20%5Co%20%222%20Chronicles%2015%3A14%20KJV%20verse%20detail) And they sware unto the LORD with a loud voice, and with shouting, and with trumpets, and with cornets.** [**15**](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/2-Chronicles-15-15/) **And all Judah rejoiced at the oath: for they had sworn with all their heart, and sought him with their whole desire; and he was found of them: and the LORD gave them rest round about.**

 **A. Promises were made with Mouths**

**\*\*There was not a preacher there to speak for them!**

 **1. They Swore Loudly**

**II Chronicles 15:14a they sware unto the LORD with a loud voice**

 **2. They Shouted Loudly**

**II Chronicles 15:14b and with shouting**

 **B. Promises were made with Music**

 **1. They used Horn Music to make Promises**

**II Chronicles 15:14c with trumpets, and with cornets**

 **2. They used Heavenly Music to make Promises**

**\*\*It sure did get God’s attention because He honored it!!**

 **C. Promises were made with Meaning**

 **1. We see the Devotion in their Hearts**

**II Chronicles 15:12 And they entered into a covenant . . . with all their heart and with all their soul.**

 **2. We see the Desire in their Hearts**

**II Chronicles 15:15 they had sworn with all their heart, and sought him with their whole desire;**

**\*\*I want to learn something from King Asa, and I want to have Promises like that! Don’t you?**

**IV. KING ASA KNEW SOMETHING ABOUT PEACE**

 **A. The Lord gave Asa and Israel Peaceful Rewards**

 **1. Look at the Promise of Peaceful Reward**

**II Chronicles 15:7 Be ye strong therefore, and let not your hands be weak: for your work shall be rewarded.**

**\*\*There is a peaceful reward when we reject, renew, and rededicate as God has told us to do!**

 **2. Look at the Presence of Peaceful Reward**

**II Chronicles 15:19 And there was no *more* war unto the five and thirtieth year of the reign of Asa.**

**\*\*God can conquer your enemy and keep you off the battlefield and on the blessed field!**

 **B. The Lord gave Asa and Israel Peaceful Rest**

**II Chronicles 15:15 and the LORD gave them rest round about.**

 **1. A Peaceful Heart with God always brings Rest**

 **2. A Perfect Heart with God always brings Rest**

**II Chronicles 15:17b nevertheless the heart of Asa was perfect all his days.**

**\*\*I want to learn something from King Asa, and I want to have Peace like that! Don’t you?**

**CLOSE**

**Is there something you need to do today? Is there a prayer you need to pray? Is there something you need to reject? Do you need to renew the altar in your life? Do you need to rededicate? Why not learn from King Asa and be strong and take courage to come to this altar and do what you need to do? You will be rewarded with peace!**