

The King and his Kingdom

1 Kings 4.1-34

***Imagine what Jesus
and his kingdom are like!***

***what we see now is only a shadow
of the good things to come Heb 10.1
2 Cor 5.1; 1 Cor 13.12***

***God will fulfil all his promises to us
as he did to Solomon 3.12-13
2 Cor 1.20***

1. A Glorious Kingdom, vs 1-28

- ***a well organised kingdom vs1-19
peace is the product of order
1 Cor 14.33
lack of order results in misery
Judges 21.25***

- **a blissful kingdom vs 20,25**
lots of people Gen 22.17
everyone satisfied John 6.11-12
happy and secure Mic 4.3-4
such bliss is a gift from God
James 1.17; Eccles 2.24-26
and a picture of heaven
Rev 7.15-17; 21.4-5
- **an extensive kingdom v21,24**
Christ's kingdom is global
Zech 9.10; Micah 5.4-5;
Col 1.16; Rev 7.9
- **a wealthy kingdom vs 21-23,27-28**
nothing was lacking
like the glory to come!
2 Cor 4.17; Rom 8.17-18;
John 17.24; Rev 21.24,26
- **a well-protected kingdom v26**
our king guarantees
our eternal security Rev 21.27

2. The King of the kingdom, vs 29-34

- ***understanding: deep and broad v29***
- ***unrivalled wisdom and fame v30-31***
 - proverbs and songs v32***
 - botany and zoology v33***
- ***the world's star attraction v34***

a clear pointer to Jesus

Mat 4.24-25; 7.28; 12.42

one greater than Solomon