

Solomon: A Builder of Brilliance

Israel's first temple **2 Chron 3.4; 5.14**
brilliant with God's glory

A brilliant man

renowned for wealth and wisdom

1 Kings 4.30-34; 10.4-7,21-23

peace and prosperity for all

1 Kings 4.20

A man with serious flaws

a love for foreign women **1 Ki 11.1**

who turned his heart from God

1 Kings 11.2-5,9

A Love Child for a Dysfunctional Family

2 Sam 11-19

1. The Product of an Illegitimate Affair

- *David and Bathsheba ch 11-12*
Solomon – loved by the Lord
despite his background
Psalm 145.17

2. The Pain of a Dysfunctional Family

- multiple mothers 1 Chron 3.1-9*
- sibling rivalry*
- incestuous rape ch 13*
- fratricidal murder ch 13*
- palace coup ch 14-15*
- murderous generals ch 18*
- a grieving father ch 19*

God's grace gives hope to all
1 Chron 29.25