## The Lost Book

(Part 1)

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Most likely the **BEST** king Judah ever had in its history. 2 Chronicles 33:25-35:27

- 8 years old, became king. 2 Chronicles 34:1
- 16 years old, sought after God. 2 Chronicles 34:3
- 20 years old, he purged idols from Judah and Jerusalem and from the cities of Manasseh, Ephraim, Simeon, and Naphtali
- 26 years old, repaired the temple. 2 Chronicles 34:8

### Josiah (Judah) 31 years

2 Kings 21:26-23:30; 2 Chronicles 33:25-35:27

- Hilkiah the priest found a copy of the law of Moses. 2 Chronicles 34:14
- Josiah dismayed at the message. inevitable; but 2 Chronicles 34:19ff
- Assembled his people; read the law publicly & renewed the covenant with God. 2 Chronicles 34:29-32; cf. Deuteronomy 31:9-13; Nehemiah 8:1-3

#### **Prophetess** Huldah:

"the destruction of Judah was postponed for Josiah's sake" 2 Chronicles

34:24-28

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Josiah's reforms: 2 Kings 23:4ff

- Began a campaign to destroy idolatry.
- Defiled **Topeth** in the valley of the sons of **Hinnom** to stop the worship of Molech. 2 Kings 23:4ff
  - Filled with the bones of men. 2 Kings 23:14, 16ff
- Destroyed the high places in **Jerusalem** that Solomon had built for his heathen wives. 2 Kings 23:13; cf. 1 Kings 11:6-7

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- Destroyed the shrine to the golden calf at **Bethel** fulfilling the prophecy of 1 Kings 13:1-3; 2 Kings 23:17ff
- Burned the bones of men upon the altars.
- 2 Kings 23:14,16,20 Why?
- 26 years old, kept the Passover. 2 Chronicles 35:1; 35:16-19

# Prophets:

Zephaniah, Nahum, Jeremiah, Habakkuk

> **Primary** Enemy:

Assyria was in the process of falling to the Medes and Babylonians

Pharaoh-Necho of Egypt

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- He and those of his kingdom observed the greatest Passover since the days of Samuel. (350 - 375 years).
- Sacrifices: 2 Chronicles 35:7-9
  - 33,000 Bullocks Josiah.
  - 2,600 Small cattle Rulers of the house of God:
  - 300 Oxen
  - 5,000 Small cattle [ Chiefs of the Levites:
  - 500 Oxen

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### The Bible Is Lost Today In The Home

- The destruction of Marriage. Genesis 2:18-25; Matthew 19:3-9; Hebrews 13:4
- ➤ The destruction of Morality. Ephesians 4:17-19; Ephesians 5:3-8; Jeremiah 6:15
- ➤ The destruction of Roles. 1 Corinthians 11:3; Ephesians 5:22-31; 6:1-4
- Make room in your home for God's word.
  Deuteronomy 6:4-9

### The Bible Is Lost Today In The Home

#### Evidence.

- 1. A recent Pew Forum survey said 39 percent of Americans believe marriage is obsolete.
- 2. The U.S. Census reports that 41 percent of births in America are to parents who are unmarried.
- 3. Today nearly 60 percent of American adults believe sex between an unmarried man and woman is morally acceptable.
- 4. Only 40 percent think it's wrong to have sex outside of marriage.
- 5. 58 percent favor same-sex marriage.

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