# "Josiah: Zealous for the Lord"

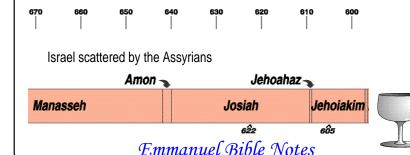
Lord of the Kings • part 13 2 Ki. 22-23; 2 Chr. 34-35

#### Introduction

- zeal for the Lord in this life = no regrets in the next Rev. 5:9; 21:4
- zeal for the Lord = an active, intentional, and consistent pursuit of God and His rule.

## 1. Josiah's zeal for the Lord

- early focus on the Lord 2 Chr. 34:1-3
- actively abolished idolatry 2 Chr. 34:4-7; 2 Ki. 23:15-20; 1 Ki. 13:2
- intentionally reestablished worship in the Temple 2 Chr. 34:8-10, 14-19
- consistently influenced his countrymen 2 Chr. 34:29-33



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## 2. Our zeal for the Lord

• "active"

Eph. 6:4

Mt. 7:21-23

• "intentional"

"Men, like tacks, are useful only if they have good heads and are pointed in the right direction." - author unknown

"The first step in writing a novel is to write a one page statement of purpose." - John Steinbeck

Mt. 6:9-10

"consistent"

2 Chr. 34:33

"Every Christian is either a missionary or an impostor." - Charles Spurgeon

#### 3. Wise in zeal

• Josiah charged ahead without listening

2 Chr. 35:20-24

• marching only with a calling Rom. 10:2; 2 Cor. 7:11