**I Kings**

*I Kings 8:31 – 8:66*

*Solomon’s Dedication Prayer Continued*

Individual Sin Against Others (31-32)

* 23 Therefore if thou bring thy gift to the altar, and there rememberest that thy brother hath ought against thee; 24 Leave there thy gift before the altar, and go thy way; first be reconciled to thy brother, and then come and offer thy gift. 25 Agree with thine adversary quickly, whiles thou art in the way with him; lest at any time the adversary deliver thee to the judge, and the judge deliver thee to the officer, and thou be cast into prison. 26 Verily I say unto thee, Thou shalt by no means come out thence, till thou hast paid the uttermost farthing. (Matt 5:23-26)
* Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but *rather* give place unto wrath: for it is written, Vengeance *is* mine; I will repay, saith the Lord. (Rom 12:19)

Corporate Sin & Signs of God’s Judgment (33-34)

* NOTE: Corporate – National, Church, etc.
* Smitten Before the Enemy
* No Rain
  + Analogy – Spiritual Drought
* Famine/Pestilence/Sickness
  + Analogy – Spiritual Famine

Keys to Turning God’s Wrath

* Pray (33, 35, 38)
* Confess His Name (33, 35)
* Repent (Turn - 33, 35)

Readiness to Receive Strangers

* Thou shalt neither vex a stranger, nor oppress him: for ye were strangers in the land of Egypt. (Exodus 22:21)
* Love ye therefore the stranger: for ye were strangers in the land of Egypt. (Deut 10:19)
* And thou shalt remember that thou wast a bondman in the land of Egypt, and the LORD thy God redeemed thee: therefore I command thee this thing to day. (Deut 15:15)

Preparation for Battle (44-53)

* Prayer (44)
* Righteous Before God (46)
* Whole Hearted Service (48)

Why Will God Respond?

* We are His People (51)
* We are His Inheritance (51)
* He Separated Us (53)
* He Has Never Failed His Promises (56)
* He Will Never Leave Us (57)
  + *Let your* conversation *be* without covetousness; *and be* content with such things as ye have: for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee. (Heb 13:5)
  + Note: Solomon was asking desiring that the Lord would not leave or forsake them. We KNOW the Lord will never leave or forsake us.

Our Greatest Needs as Christians

* That He May Incline Our Hearts Unto Him (58)
* That He Maintain the Cause of His People (59)
* What is the Cause?
  + ….that all the people of the earth may know that the LORD is God and that there is none else.” (60)
* Offer Sacrifice (62)
* Leave Joyful and Glad of Heart for His Goodness! (66)