

### How the Mighty are Fallen!

1 Kings 11:1-11



# I. Solomon at His Highest – the Beginning.

- A. He was a botanist, zoologist, architect, poet, historian, philosopher, scholar, statesman, diplomat, patron of the arts & on we could go.
- B. Solomon had a widespread kingdom.
- C. Solomon made a wonderful request from God.
- D. Solomon also possessed great wealth.



### I. Solomon at His Highest – the Beginning.

- E. He was the builder of a magnificent buildings.
- F. He was a preacher of a splendid sermons. (8:12-21)
- G. He was the pray-er of a marvelous prayer. (8:22-53)
- H. He was the writer of incredible books.
- I. He was the expert of intelligent diplomacy.
- K. He was the possessor of direct revelation from God. (3:5; 9:2; & 11:9)



#### 2 Chronicles 7:14

If My people who are called by My name will humble themselves, and pray and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land.



## II. Solomon at the Lowest – His fall:

- A. His Complacency the worst things only showed up when he was older. (V. 4&6)
- B. His Arrogance he was sure he would not fall.
- C. An undisciplined thought life.
- D. The seduction of Satan the appeal of the flesh.



### II. Solomon at the Lowest – His fall:

- E. The tendency to soften in our beliefs and practices
- F. His half-heartedness.
- G. The adoption of foreign deities –
- H. Outright disobedience and rebellion to God's word.
- I. Incomplete commitment –
- J. He lacked repentance in his life.



### Ecclesiastes 1:2

'Vanity of vanity, all if vanity!'

The summation of a life outside the will of God.