

Scripture to read: 2Kings 22, 23 chapter

King Josiah

Josiah was eight years old when he became king, and he reigned in Jerusalem thirty-one years. He did what was pleasing in the LORD's sight, in the eighteenth year of his reign, King Josiah sent Shaphan to the Temple of the LORD. He told him, "Go to Hilkiah the high priest and have him count the money the gatekeepers have collected from the people at the LORD's Temple. Entrust this money to the men assigned to supervise the restoration of the LORD's Temple. Shaphan also told the king, "Hilkiah the priest has given me a scroll." And he read it to the king. When the king heard this, he tore his clothes in despair and with great burden in his heart told that we have lived a life that is not pleasing to the Lord. Josiah realized his sins and tells the priests to inquire the Lord. The Lord spoke to the priests to tell Josiah that he has accepted the request of Josiah.

Question:

Did Josiah rule according to God's law?

Answer:

In order to get away from God's anger Josiah gathers the entire people to hear what the Lord has told in the book of the law. He asked the entire people to pledge to obey the LORD by keeping all his commands, laws, and decrees with all his heart and soul, and then he destroyed all the Idols, Statues and Shrines. He also defiled the pagan shrines, where they had offered sacrifices. The king destroyed the altars that Manasseh had built in the two courtyards of the LORD's Temple, The king also tore down the altar the pagan shrine that Jeroboam had made when he caused Israel to sin, thus Josiah consecrated the nation this way. Children! if you read the bible every day and walk according to it. Even we too can keep ourselves holy and live a life that is pleasing to the Lord.

Oh, how I love your instructions! I think about them all day long. Psalms 119:97

Prayer

Jehovah God! Your word is the lamp for my feet, and a light unto my path. We will read thy word and will walk according to it Lord. Amen