

## **1 Chronicles.**

The first and second Chronicles is one book in the Jewish Bible and is a supplement to the books of 1 and 2 Samuel and 1 and 2 Kings. Chronicles deals almost exclusively with the history of Judah while the books of Samuel and Kings deals with both kingdoms: Israel and Judah. The Sovereignty of God is the central and most important theme of the Chronicles and the reign and life of David is predominant.

## **2 Chronicles.**

The history of Judah as related here is on the whole a dark picture of instability and apostasy, interspersed with periods of religious reformation. There are five periods of reformation as described under King Asa; under King Jehoshaphat, under the priest, Jehoiada and King Joash, under King Hezekiah and under King Josiah.

The spiritual message of 2 Chronicles is that the power of pray will give success and victory and the spiritual lessons are the preeminence of wisdom; the glory of the Lord; and the spirit of Praise renders God's people invincible.

### **1 Chronicles 1.**

Read the chapter. Adam's line to Noah, sons of Japheth, Ham and Shem; Shem's line to Abraham; sons of Ishmael and Keturah; Kings of Edom.

### **1 Chronicles 2.**

Read the chapter. The sons of Israel are written; the posterity of Judah; the children of Jesse; the posterity of Caleb; of Hezron; of Jerahmeel; of Sheshan.

### **1 Chronicles 3.**

Read the chapter. The sons of David are written; his line to Zedekiah; successors of Jeconiah.

### **1 Chronicles 4.**

Read the chapter. Posterity of Judah by Caleb, the son of Hur; Ashur the son fo Hezron and everyone has heard of the prayer of Jabez:

*And Jabez called on the God of Israel, saying, Oh that You would bless me indeed, and enlarge my coast, and that Your hand might be with me, and that You would keep me from evil, that it may not grieve me! And God granted him that which he requested.*

*Or,*

*Our Father, Which art in heaven, Hallowed be Your Name, Your Kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and foregive us our debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil; for Yours is the Kingdom and the Power and the Glory, forever; Amen. Jesus repeated the prayer of Jabez.*