

# The First Book of the Kings

## Chapter 1

When King David was very old and near the end of his life, Absalom's brother Adonijah plotted to become king.

The prophet Nathan therefore advised Bathsheba to go to David and remind him that he had promised to let Bathsheba's son Solomon become king.

David then summoned the priests and royal guards and ordered them and Nathan to anoint Solomon as king.

Dear God, please give the world good leaders

## Chapter 2

Before King David died, he encouraged his son Solomon to love the Lord with all his heart and soul.

Solomon executed his main enemies and rivals, including Adonijah who had again plotted to become king.

Solomon then was secure and safe as king.

Dear God, thank you for the life of David who, despite his faults, loved you with all his heart

## Chapter 3

The Lord appeared to King Solomon in a dream and said "Ask me for anything you'd like."

Solomon asked for wisdom: "Give your servant a heart to understand how to discern between good and evil."

God replied: "I now give you a heart full of wisdom, wisdom greater than anyone else has ever had."