

Seasons of a Leader

2 Chronicles 34:2 NIV

He did what was right in the eyes of the LORD and followed the ways of his father David, not turning aside to the right or to the left.

The ancient Oriental civilizations, which had run their course for thousands of years, were coming to an end: the dikes were cracking and a dark flood lapped without. As contemporary texts show, men were haunted by a premonition of doom and a gnawing insecurity, together with a nostalgic longing for the better days of long ago. (Bright, A History of Israel, p. 319)

2 Chronicles 34:3a NIV

In the eighth year of his reign, while he was still young, he began to seek the God of his father David.

Isaiah 55:6-7 NIV

Seek the LORD while he may be found;
call on him while he is near. Let the
wicked forsake their ways
and the unrighteous their thoughts.
Let them turn to the LORD, and he will have
mercy on them,
and to our God, for he will freely pardon.

2 Chronicles 34:3b-4 NIV

In his twelfth year he began to purge Judah and Jerusalem of high places, Asherah poles and idols. Under his direction the altars of the Baals were torn down; he cut to pieces the incense altars that were above them, and smashed the Asherah poles and the idols. These he broke to pieces and scattered over the graves of those who had sacrificed to them.

2 Chronicles 35:14-15 NIV

While they were bringing out the money that had been taken into the temple of the LORD, Hilkiah the priest found the Book of the Law of the LORD that had been given through Moses. Hilkiah said to Shaphan the secretary, "I have found the Book of the Law in the temple of the LORD." He gave it to Shaphan.

2 Chronicles 35:18 NIV

The Passover had not been observed like this in Israel since the days of the prophet Samuel; and none of the kings of Israel had ever celebrated such a Passover as did Josiah, with the priests, the Levites and all Judah and Israel who were there with the people of Jerusalem.

Your Season?

Seeking?

Cleaning House?

Pursuing full transformation?