Slide 3. [Mat 6:31-33 KJV] 31 Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed? 32 (For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things. **33 But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness**; **and all these things shall be added unto you.**

Kings of Israel were to read the Word of God Every Day.

Slide 4. [Deu 17:14-20 KJV] 14 When thou art come unto the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee, and shalt possess it, and shalt dwell therein, and shalt say, I will set a king over me, like as all the nations that [are] about me; 15 Thou shalt in any wise set [him] king over thee, whom the LORD thy God shall choose: [one] from among thy brethren shalt thou set king over thee: thou mayest not set a stranger over thee, which [is] not thy brother. 16 But he shall not multiply horses to himself, nor cause the people to return to Egypt, to the end that he should multiply horses: forasmuch as the LORD hath said unto you, Ye shall henceforth return no more that way. 17 Neither shall he multiply wives to himself, that his heart turn not away: neither shall he greatly multiply to himself silver and gold. 18 And it shall be, when he sitteth upon the throne of his kingdom, that he shall write him a copy of this law in a book out of [that which is] before the priests the Levites: 19 And it shall be with him, and he shall read therein all the days of his life: that he may learn to fear the LORD his God, to keep all the words of this law and these statutes, to do them: 20 That his heart be not lifted up above his brethren, and that he turn not aside from the commandment, [to] the right hand, or [to] the left: to the end that he may prolong [his] days in his kingdom, he, and his children, in the midst of Israel.

Consequences for Not Seeking God Even with Good Intentions

Slide 5&6. [1Ch 13:2-3, 5, 8-10 KJV] 2 And David said unto all the congregation of Israel, If [it seem] good unto you, and [that it be] of the LORD our God, let us send abroad unto our brethren every where, [that are] left in all the land of Israel, and with them [also] to the priests and Levites [which are] in their cities [and] suburbs, that they may gather themselves unto us: **3 And let us bring** again the ark of our God to us: for we enquired not at it in the days of Saul. ... 5 So David gathered all Israel together, from Shihor of Egypt even unto the entering of Hemath, to bring the ark of God from Kirjathjearim. ... 8 And David and all Israel played before God with all [their] might, and with singing, and with harps, and with psalteries, and with timbrels, and with cymbals, and with trumpets. 9 And when they came unto the threshingfloor of Chidon, Uzza put forth his hand to hold the ark; for the oxen stumbled. 10 And the anger of the LORD was kindled against Uzza, and he smote him, because he put his hand to the ark: and there he died before God. Slide 7. (All priests are Levites but not all Levites are priests.)

David Learned of His Need to Inquire of the Lord at all times.

[1Ch 14:8, 10 KJV] **8** And when the Philistines heard that David was anointed king over all Israel, all the Philistines went up to seek David. And David heard [of it], and went out against them. ... **10** And David enquired of God, saying, Shall I go up against the Philistines? and wilt thou deliver them into mine hand? And the LORD said unto him, Go up; for I will deliver them into thine hand.

Doing Things God's Way

Slide 8-10. [1Ch 15:1-3, 12-13 KJV] 1 And [David] made him houses in the city of David, and prepared a place for the ark of God, and pitched for it a tent. 2 Then David said, None ought to carry the ark of God but the Levites: for them hath the LORD chosen to carry the ark of God, and to minister unto him for ever. 3 And David gathered all Israel together to Jerusalem, to bring up the ark of the LORD unto his place, which he had prepared for it. ... And David called for Zadok and Abiathar the priests, and for the Levites, for Uriel, Asaiah, and Joel, Shemaiah, and Eliel, and Amminadab 12 And said unto them, Ye [are] the chief of the fathers of the Levites: sanctify yourselves, [both] ye and your brethren, that ye may bring up the ark of the LORD God of Israel unto [the place that] I have prepared for it. 13 For because ye [did it] not at the first, the LORD our God made a breach upon us, for that we sought him not after the due order.

Seek the Lord

Slide 11. [1Ch 16:11 KJV] 11 Seek the LORD and his strength, seek his face continually.

Slide 11. [Jer 29:13 KJV] 13 And ye shall seek me, and find [me], when ye shall search for me with all your heart.

You have to prepare your heart to seek the Lord.

[2Ch 12:14 KJV] 14 And he did evil, because he prepared not his heart to seek the LORD.

[Psa 34:10 KJV] 10 The young lions do lack, and suffer hunger: but they that seek the LORD shall not want any good [thing].

[Psa 105:4 KJV] 4 Seek the LORD, and his strength: seek his face evermore.

Slide 13. [Pro 28:5 KJV] 5 Evil men understand not judgment: but they that seek the LORD understand all [things].

Slide 14. [Isa 31:1 KJV] 1 Woe to them that go down to Egypt for help; and stay on horses, and trust in chariots, because [they are] many; and in horsemen, because they are very strong; **but they look not unto the Holy One of Israel, neither seek the LORD!**

You cannot Find the Correct Jesus Your Way.

Slide 15. [Jhn 8:21 KJV] 21 Then said Jesus again unto them, I go my way, and ye shall seek me, and shall die in your sins: whither I go, ye cannot come.

[Jhn 7:34 KJV] 34 Ye shall seek me, and shall **not** find [me]: and where I am, [thither] ye cannot come.

Jesus is From Above. We Seek him by Faith

Slide 16. [Jhn 8:23-24 KJV] 23 And he said unto them, Ye are from beneath; I am from above: ye are of this world; I am not of this world. 24 I said therefore unto you, that ye shall die in your sins: for if ye believe not that I am [he], ye shall die in your sins.

Slide 17-18. [Act 17:24-27 KJV] 24 God that made the world and all things therein, seeing that he is Lord of heaven and earth, dwelleth not in temples made with hands; 25 Neither is worshipped

with men's hands, as though he needed any thing, seeing he giveth to all life, and breath, and all things; 26 And hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth, and hath determined the times before appointed, and the bounds of their habitation; 27 That they should seek the Lord, if haply they might feel after him, and find him, though he be not far from every one of us:

Slide 19. [Rom 2:6-9 KJV] 6 Who will render to every man according to his deeds: 7 To them who by patient continuance in well doing seek for glory and honour and immortality, eternal life: 8 But unto them that are contentious, and do not obey the truth, but obey unrighteousness, indignation and wrath, 9 Tribulation and anguish, upon every soul of man that doeth evil, of the Jew first, and also of the Gentile;

Slide 20. [Rom 2:13 KJV] 13 (For not the hearers of the law [are] just before God, but the doers of the law shall be justified.

[Jhn 9:3-7 KJV] 3 Jesus answered, Neither hath this man sinned, nor his parents: but that the works of God should be made manifest in him. 4 I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work. 5 As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world. 6 When he had thus spoken, he spat on the ground, and made clay of the spittle, and he anointed the eyes of the blind man with the clay, 7 And said unto him, Go, wash in the pool of Siloam, (which is by interpretation, Sent.) He went his way therefore, and washed, and came seeing.

Slide 21. [Jhn 9:9 KJV] 9 Some said, This is he: others [said], He is like him: [but] he said, I am [he].

Slide 22. [Jhn 9:35-37 KJV] 35 <u>Jesus heard that they had cast him out; and when he had</u> found him, he said unto him, Dost thou believe on the Son of God? 36 He answered and said, Who is he, Lord, that I might believe on him? 37 And Jesus said unto him, Thou hast both seen him, and it is he that talketh with thee.

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[Act 2:38, 41 KJV] 38 Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. ... 41 Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day there were added [unto them] about three thousand souls.

[Act 8:12 KJV] 12 But when they believed Philip preaching the things concerning the kingdom of God, and the name of Jesus Christ, they were baptized, both men and women.

[Mat 28:19 KJV] 19 Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: