

- 1 Joash was seven years old when he became king, and he reigned forty years in Jerusalem. His mother's name was Zibiah of Beersheba.
- 2 Joash did what was right in the sight of the LORD all the days of Jehoiada the priest.



- 17 Now after the death of Jehoiada the leaders of Judah came and bowed down to the king. And the king listened to them.
- 18 Therefore they left the house of the LORD God of their fathers, and served wooden images and idols; and wrath came upon Judah and Jerusalem because of their trespass.

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### 2 Chronicles 24:2

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- "Examine yourselves as to whether you are in the faith. Test yourselves. Do you not know yourselves, that Jesus Christ is in you? --unless indeed you are disqualified" (2 Cor. 13:5).
- "Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling" (Philippians 2:12).



• "I thank God, whom I serve with a pure conscience, as my forefathers did, as without ceasing I remember you in my prayers night and day, greatly desiring to see you, being mindful of your tears, that I may be filled with joy, when I call to remembrance the genuine faith that is in you, which dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice, and I am persuaded is in you also" (2 Timothy 1:3-5).



- How?
  - 1. Search and Examine the Evidence for Yourself!
    - 2 Tim. 3:16-17; Rom. 10:17; Acts 17:11
    - Luke 1:4
    - John 20:24-29



- The Bible
- Unraveling Evolution, Joshua Gurtler
- Out With Doubt, Kyle Butt
- Standing on Solid Ground, Doy Moyer
- Indestructible Foundations, Peter J. Wilson
- How We Got the Bible, Neil R. Lightfoot



- How?
  - 2. Become a Diligent Student of God's Word!
    - 2 Timothy 2:15; Psalm 1:2
    - I Peter 2:2
    - 2 Peter 3:18



• How?

#### 3. Talk to God Often!

- 1 Thessalonians 5:17
- James 4:8



• How?

#### 4. Worship God Faithfully!

- Acts 2:41-42
- Hebrews 10:24-25
- I Corinthians 14:26



- Why?
  - 1. It's Impossible to Please God Without having your Own Faith!
    - Hebrews 11:6
  - 2. Cannot be Saved Without Belief!
    - John 8:24



- Why?
  - 3. Lack Ability to Resist the Devil and Overcome his Temptations!
    - I Peter 5:8-9; Ephesians 6:16
  - 4. Will not be Able to Endure Persecution!
    - Matt. 13:20-21; 1 Peter 1:6-7



- Why?
  - 5. You will be Spiritually Weak, and Prone to Compromise & Apostasy!
    - 1 Corinthians 16:13; Ephesians 4:13 15; Hebrews 5:12-14; 2 Peter 3:16-17



- Why?
  - 6. Every Follower of Christ must have his or her Own Convictions!
    - Galatians 2:20; Phil. 1:21; 2 Tim. 1:12
  - 7. So YOU will Spend Eternity in Heaven!
    - I Peter 1:9; Revelation 2:10



- 1 Josiah was eight years old when he became king, and he reigned thirty-one years in Jerusalem.
- 2 And he did what was right in the sight of the LORD, and walked in the ways of his father David; he did not turn aside to the right hand or to the left.
- 3 For in the eighth year of his reign, while he was still young, <u>he began to seek the God of his father</u> <u>David</u>...

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