

Living On Borrowed Faith

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Text: 2 Chronicles 24:1-27

Why would a person who has experienced divine deliverance, the blessing and grace of God, the kindness of godly people abandon God and brutally murder those who love God? How can we avoid this same pitfall?

The Life of Joash - His early years

1. His sister saved his life. 2 Chronicles 22:10-12
2. Crowned king at 7.
3. Repaired the temple and destroyed many of idolatrous sites.
4. Jehoiada, the priest and adopted father of Joash, dies at 130

His Failures – what went wrong?

1. Joash did what was right in the eyes of the Lord all the years of Jehoiada the priest. 2 Chronicles 24:2
2. Officials of Judah came and bowed down to the king Vs17
3. Zechariah, son of Jehoiada, was stoned to death. Vs 21
4. He was assassinated because he had Zechariah killed. Vs 25
5. He was buried in the city of David but not in the tombs of the kings. Vs 25

How can we avoid this tragic end? His downfall started at age 45.

1. You cannot go the distance on borrowed faith.
2. Significance, security and stardom can be found but never kept unless it comes from God. 2 Chronicles 24:17
3. Those who forget the kindness of God will miss His grace and mercy. 2 Chronicles 24:22
4. Your choice of companions always makes a difference, good or bad. 1 Corinthians 15:33