

June 24 Questions

- 1) The reign of Asa. Asa's early years were marked by religious _____. God rewarded Asa's reforms with ten years of _____. This reminds us of the proverb: "When a man's ways please the Lord, he makes even his _____ to be at peace with him" (Prov 16:7). Asa used this time to build up Judah's defenses, but nothing he did prepared him for Zerah's million-man army. Asa knew he had no hope of defeating such a foe, and he called out to God, "O Lord, You are our God; let not _____ prevail against You" (2 Chr 14:11b). God honored Asa's request and routed the Ethiopians. This teaches us that no battle is too great for God. When we put our trust in God and obey His word, He is faithful to give us _____ over the enemy. After the battle, God sent Azariah to _____ Asa to continue his religious reforms: "The Lord is with you when you are with him. If you _____ him, he will be found by you, but if you forsake him, he will forsake you. Be _____ and do not give up, for your work will be rewarded" (2 Chr 15:2, 7 NIV). Asa took courage when he heard these words, and he led Judah in a national _____. Asa was so committed to following God that he removed Maacah, his _____, from being the 'Queen-Mother' of Judah. Yet later in his reign, Asa leaned on his own _____, bought off the Syrians rather than _____ in God, and when he was rebuked, he _____ his heart. What a tragic end to a godly man!