

August 10 Questions

- 1) The death of Josiah (Summer 609 BC). Pharaoh Necho II of _____ responded to the urgent appeal for help by Ashur-uballit II of _____ and marched his army north to aid the Assyrians. When Josiah engaged Necho at Megiddo, Necho warned him to stand aside: “Cease opposing _____, who is with me, lest he destroy you” (2 Chr 35:21). Josiah ignored this warning and ended up being killed in the ensuing battle. How could such a godly man come to such a tragic end? Josiah made the mistake of thinking that because Necho was the king of a pagan nation, he couldn’t be acting in harmony with God’s will (cf. Isa 36:10). His mistake teaches us that God is _____ over the nations, and while not everyone who claims to have a message from God really does, we would be wise to stop and consider the fact that God often uses the _____ of the world to accomplish His plans and purposes (cf. Isa 45:1–3). Josiah’s son, _____ became king after his father’s death, but Necho _____ him to Egypt and made his brother _____ king instead. Jehoiakim was a wicked man who was more concerned with building himself a palace of _____ than he was with obeying God. God sent Jeremiah to rebuke him (Jer 22:15–16). This teaches us that knowing God means more than knowing what He has done (the _____) or knowing what He has said (the _____). It means knowing God as a person—what brings Him joy or makes Him angry, His values, concerns and priorities—and then _____ in the light of that knowledge. Such a life brings honor and glory to God!