

# **Lessons on God's Intervention**

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Series: 1 Kings – Lessons from the Journey*

***“God is always working for my best even when allowing difficulties!”***

*“And you shall remember the whole way that the LORD your God has led you these forty years in the wilderness, that he might humble you, testing you to know what was in your heart, whether you would keep his commandments or not. And he humbled you and let you hunger and fed you with manna, which you did not know, nor did your fathers know, that he might make you know that man does not live by bread alone, but man lives by every word that comes from the mouth of the LORD.”*

*Deuteronomy 8:2-3 ESV*

## **I Influence God's Blessing in My Life**

*“For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be God's will, than for doing evil.”*

*1 Peter 3:17 ESV*

*“Therefore the LORD said to Solomon, “Since this has been your practice and you have not kept my covenant and my statutes that I have commanded you, I will surely tear the kingdom from you and will give it to your servant.”*

*1 Kings 11:11 ESV*

## **God Does Intervene in My Life**

*“And the LORD was angry with Solomon, because his heart had turned away from the LORD, the God of Israel, who had appeared to him twice”*

*1 Kings 11:9 ESV*

### **Four Ways God Intervenes in My Life**

#### **1. Through His Word**

*“This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success.”*

*Joshua 1:8 ESV*

#### **2. Through His Spirit**

*“And when he comes, he will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment:”*

*John 16:8 ESV*

#### **3. Through My Prayers**

*“And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.”*

*Matthew 6:13 ESV*

#### **4. Through Individuals**

*“Do not regard him as an enemy, but warn him as a brother.”* 2 Thessalonians 3:15 ESV

## God Does Intervene through Circumstances

### **Hadad the Edomite**

*“And the LORD raised up an adversary against Solomon, Hadad the Edomite. He was of the royal house in Edom.”*  
1 Kings 11:14 ESV

### **Rezon King of Syria**

*“God also raised up as an adversary to him, Rezon the son of Eliada, who had fled from his master Hadadezer king of Zobah.”*  
1 Kings 11:23 ESV

*“He was an adversary of Israel all the days of Solomon, doing harm as Hadad did.”* 1 Kings 11:25a ESV

### **Why Does God Allow Difficulties?**

*“that he might make you know that man does not live by bread alone, but man lives by every word that comes from the mouth of the LORD.”*  
Deuteronomy 8:3 ESV

## God Is Concerned with My Heritage

*“Jeroboam the son of Nebat, an Ephraimite of Zeredah, a servant of Solomon, whose mother’s name was Zeruah, a widow, also lifted up his hand against the king.”*  
1 Kings 11:26 ESV

*“Then Ahijah laid hold of the new garment that was on him, and tore it into twelve pieces. And he said to Jeroboam, “Take for yourself ten pieces, for thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, ‘Behold, I am about to tear the kingdom from the hand of Solomon and will give you ten tribes”*  
1 Kings 11:30–31 ESV

*“Yet for the sake of David your father I will not do it in your days, but I will tear it out of the hand of your son. However, I will not tear away all the kingdom, but I will give one tribe to your son, for the sake of David my servant and for the sake of Jerusalem that I have chosen.”*  
1 Kings 11:12–13 ESV

### **Is God Trying to Intervene in My Life?**

*“And I will afflict the offspring of David because of this, but not forever.”*  
1 Kings 11:39 ESV

**““For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.”**

*John 3:16–17 ESV*