



1&2 Chronicles – Textbook Reading



Textbook Reading

(Other material may be read for extra credit/benefit)

Ch. 17

- ☐ The Author and His Purpose
- ☐ Themes of the Books of Chronicles

Study Guide for Textbook chapter 17

The Author and His Purpose

- What does the textbook suggest about the authorship of these books? What does the textbook suggest about the date these books were written?
- Where does the majority of the material in Chronicles come from, according to the textbook?
- What does the textbook say about the selectivity of Chronicles? How does this relate to the author's purpose in writing it? How does this help us understand Chronicles better?
- In what sense is Chronicles the "first Bible commentary"? Do you think this description is accurate? Why or why not?

Themes of the Books of Chronicles

- According to the textbook, what kind of ideas does Chronicles NOT emphasize? Why not? What difference does this make?

David and His Dynasty

- According to the textbook, how does Chronicles emphasize David and his contribution to Israel's history?
- What part does the Davidic covenant play in the Old Testament? Why is this significant?
- What is the function of kingship in Israel, according to the textbook's description of Chronicles?
- How else are David and Solomon significant in Chronicles?

The Temple and the Worship of God

- According to the textbook, how did the temple function in the life of the people Chronicles was writing for? How is this related to its function in earlier history? What does this teach us for today?
- According to the textbook, how does Chronicles evaluate the kings of Judah? What is significant about this?

Review the Study Questions and Summary at the end of the chapter