



THE GOOD, THE NOT-SO-GOOD, AND THE DOWN RIGHT BAD: KINGS, LEADERS, AND RULERS IN THE OLD TESTAMENT

## Can you figure out the crossword puzzle?

## ACROSS

- 5. He tricked the king into signing a document that stated all Jews should be put to death. Thankfully the Queen caught on to his evil plan (Esther 3).
- 6. The king of Assyria, he was defeated when God sent an angel to wipe out his entire army (Isaiah 37).
- This man led a rebellion against his father, but he was killed in the battle (2 Samuel 14).
- 9. He solved a tricky dispute when two women both claimed to be the mother of a baby (1 Kings 2).
- 10. God gave this guy the strength and courage to fight a giant when he was a boy. Then, when he grew up to be a strong king, God was still there with him (1 Samuel 16).
- 13. Even though God kept shrinking his army, this man never doubted the Lord. He won the battle (Judges 6).
- This man rebuilt the Upper Gate of the temple of the Lord (2 Chronicles 27).
- 15. This ruler foiled the plans of an evil man who wanted to kill all Jewish people (Esther 1).
- 16. He threw one of his advisor's into a den of lions (Daniel 6).

- 17. This ruler threw three of his advisors into a fiery furnace (Daniel 3).
- 19. This ruler appointed his sons as judges for Israel (1 Samuel 7).
- 20. Often called the "father of all nations," this man had more descendants than stars in the heavens (Genesis 12).

## DOWN

- Rebelled against Solomon and became the King of ten of Israel's tribes; however, he was punished when he refused to listen to God's orders (1 Kings 11).
- 2. When he refused to listen to Moses' warnings, God sent ten plagues to destroy his land and his people (Exodus 7-8).
- 3. One of David's sons, he was replaced by his younger brother when he failed to follow God (1 Kings 1).
- A powerful king, he recovered Israel from its enemies, but he chose to follow the wicked ways of his ancestors (2 Kings 14).
- 7. This man killed his own brothers to become king (Judges 9).
- 11. One of the first things he did as ruler was to break the bronze snake idol Moses made (2 Kings 18).
- 14. This man took up the task of leading the Israelites after Moses died (Joshua 1).
- This man led a complaining group of people out of Pharaoh's rule and into the desert (Exodus 14).





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Answer Key



