

*Adventures in Kings*  
Failing to End Well  
2 Kings 12:1-21

**I. The Summary of Jehoash's Reign (vs. 1-3)**

~ he did what was right "because Jehoiada the priest instructed him"

**II. The Details of a "Welcome to Worship" Building Campaign (vs. 4-16)**

~ so maybe the clergy aren't the best choice for building project manager

**III. The Disappointing End (vs. 17-21)**

~ temple riches carried off and the assassination of the king

*"Now after the death of Jehoiada the princes of Judah came and paid homage to the king. Then the king listened to them. And they abandoned the house of the LORD, the God of their fathers, and served...idols," (2 Chronicles 24:17-18a)*

*"Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. Consider him who endured such opposition from sinful men, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart. (Hebrews 12:1-3)*

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**Point to Ponder:** If our lives were to end next week, could it be said that we finished well?

**Next Week:**

We will continue our sermon series *Adventures in Kings* by looking at the text of **2 Kings 16:1-9** *God's Ways or Ours*. Pastor Paul Toms will be preaching.

