

THE BOOK OF THE LAW WAS LOST!

There is not a darker picture in the history of the Hebrews than that which is described in II Kings chapter twenty one and twenty two. The “Book of the Law”, God’s Word for Israel had been lost.

How far into sin will a people go when they no longer have or know God’s Word? In II Kings 22, we are told:

“They have forsaken me” (v. 17)

“Have burned incense unto other gods,” (v. 17).

Look at the condition in Israel during the time the book of the law was lost:

“Moreover Manasseh shed innocent blood very much till he had filled Jerusalem from one end to another.” (II Kings 21:16).

“He (Amon) did that which was evil in the sight of Jehovah as did Manasseh his father. And he walked in all the way that is father walked in, and served the idols that his father served and worshiped them, and forsook Jehovah, the God of his fathers, and walked not in the way of Jehovah” (II Kings 21:19-22).

“He (Manasseh) made his son to pass through the fire.” (II Kings 21:6). This is a reference to the practice of infant sacrifice adopted and adapted from the fire god “Molech.”

The following article is a history of the introduction and development of human (infant) sacrifice as it came into and was accepted in Israelite worship.