

King Solomon Prefigures Pope Alexander VI

King Solomon (Reigned 970-930 B.C.)

- 1) He was very wealthy.
- 2) He broke the Mosaic Law concerning marriage by marrying non-Israelite women, and too many women (700 wives / 300 concubines).
- 3) He had a tenacious enemy: Jeroboam the son of Nebat. (NOTE: Jeroboam came from the tribe of Ephraim – i.e., north of Jerusalem).
- 4) Solomon founded trading posts and colonies throughout the Mediterranean and South Asia.
- 5) In Third Kings Chapter 3, Solomon threatened to split the baby between two prostitutes.

Pope Alexander VI (Reigned 1492-1503)

- 1) He was very wealthy.
- 2) He is accused of breaking the sixth commandment in notable ways (enough said)
- 3) He had a tenacious enemy: the Dominican friar Girolamo Savonarola. (NOTE: Savonarola came from Florence – i.e., north of Rome).
- 4) During his papacy, the Spanish and Portuguese founded trading posts and colonies in the New World, Africa, and India.
- 5) In the bull Inter-Caetera (1493), Pope Alexander VI split the New World between Spain and Portugal.

Above: You can compare the two men, number by number.