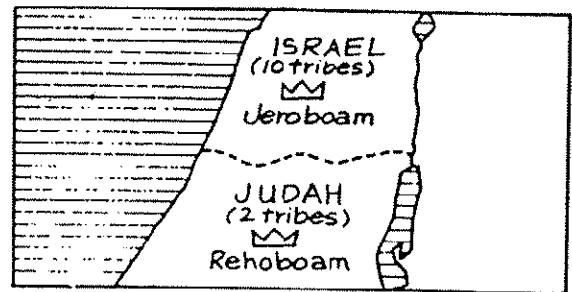


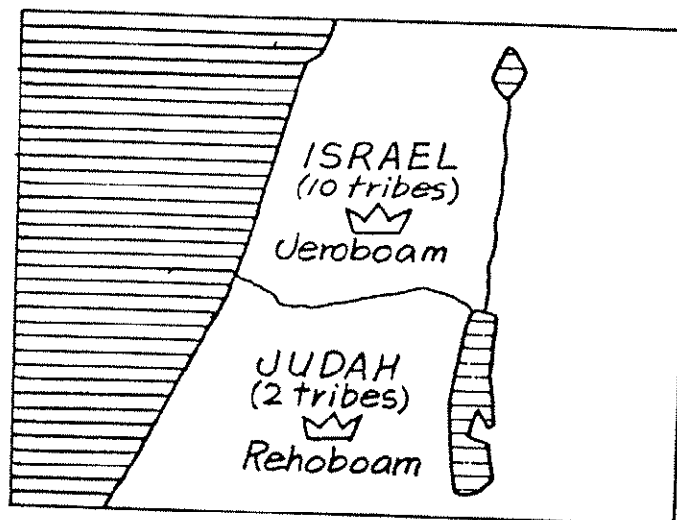
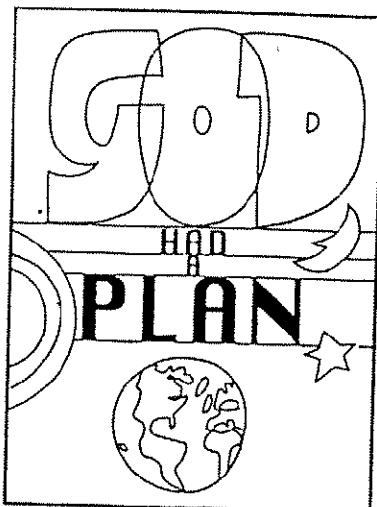
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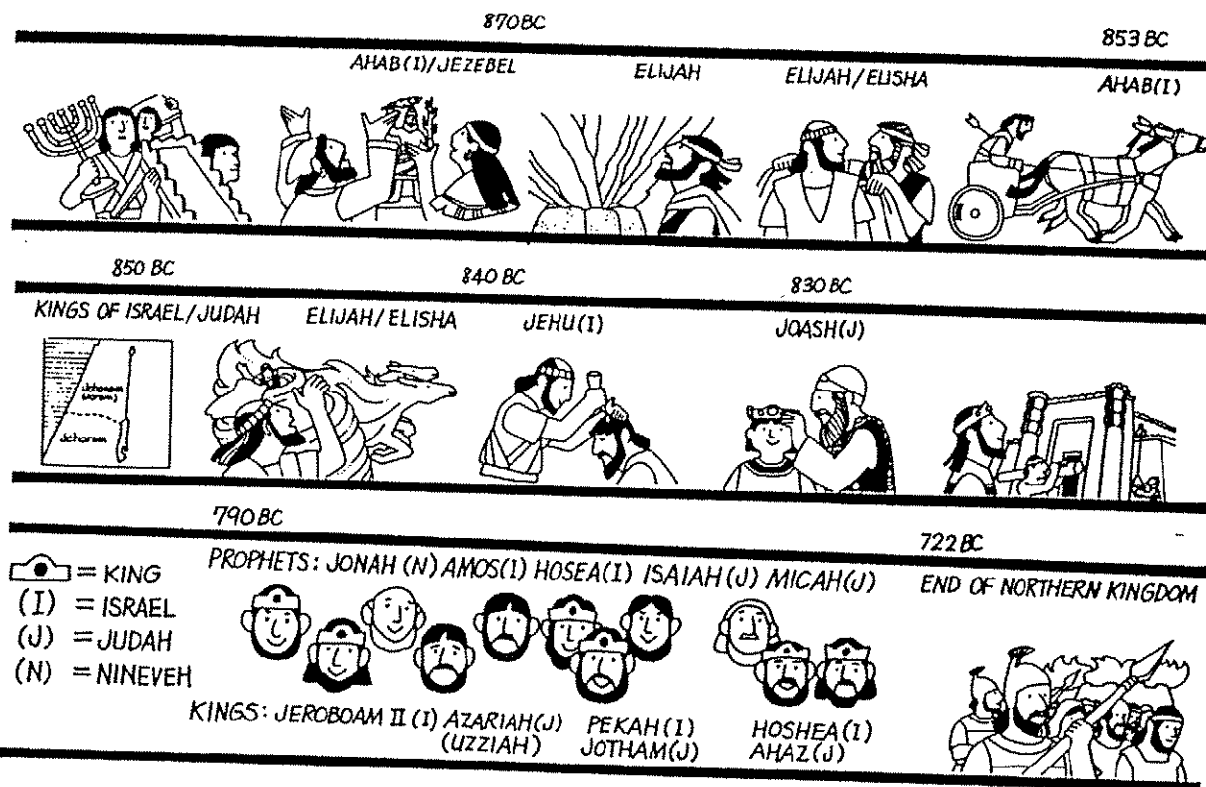
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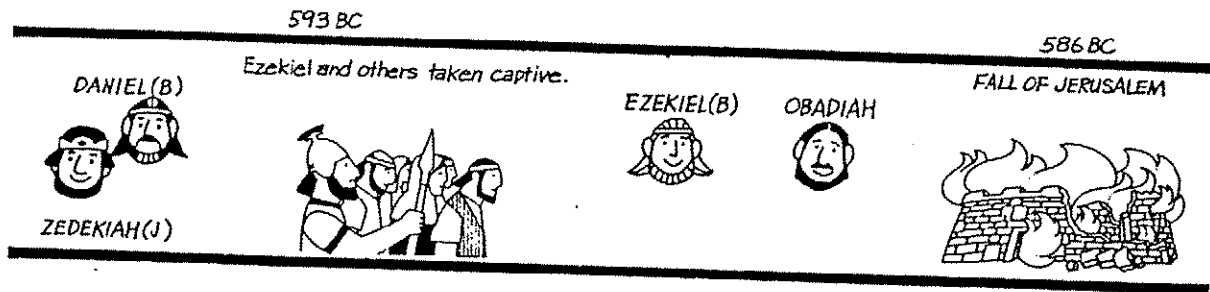
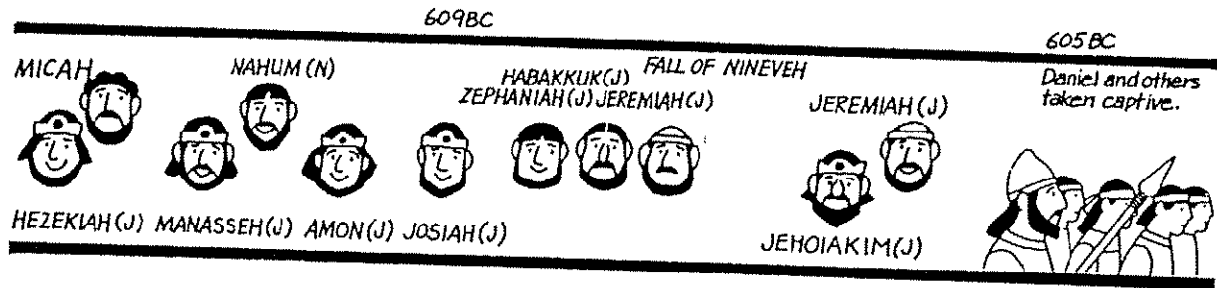


## Part 7

# The Kings and Prophets Of The Divided Kingdom







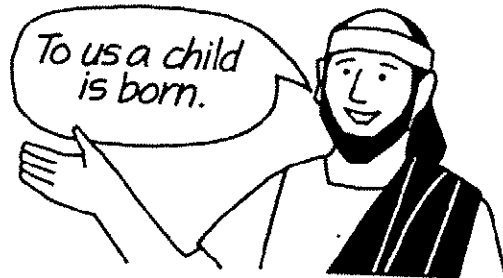


## Memory Challenge



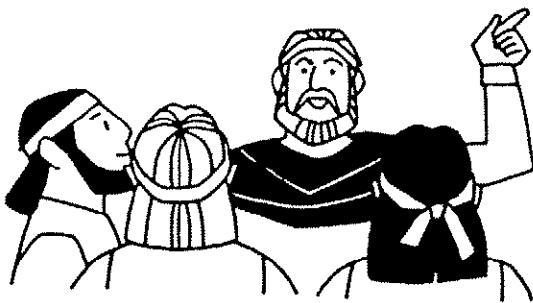
### **II Kings 17:20**

"And the Lord rejected all the descendants of Israel, afflicted them, and delivered them into the hand of plunderers, until He had cast them from His sight."



### **Isalah 9:6**

"For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given; And the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace."



### **Zephaniah 2:3**

"Seek the Lord, all you meek of the earth,  
Who have upheld His justice.  
Seek righteousness, seek humility.  
It may be that you will be hidden  
in the day of the Lord's anger."



### **Jeremiah 13:17**

"But if you will not hear it, my sould will weep in secret for your pride; my eyes will weep bitterly and run down with tears, because the Lord's flock has been taken captive."

"...But his delight is in the law of the Lord  
and on His law he meditates day and night."

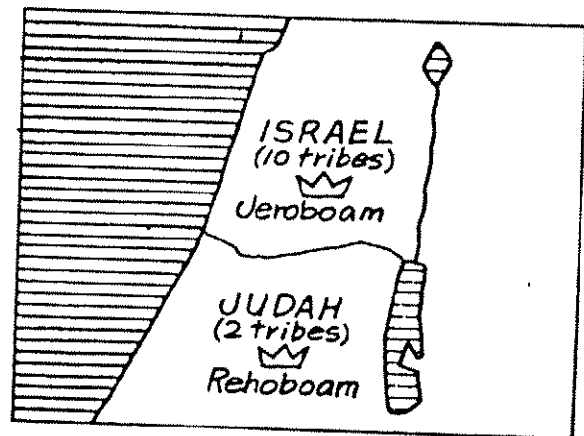




## Lesson 1

# ***The Kingdom Is Divided***

I Kings 12-14



**Read I Kings 11:41-12:15**

1. How long did Solomon reign as king over Israel? \_\_\_\_\_
2. Who became king when Solomon died? \_\_\_\_\_
3. What did Jeroboam and the rest of the people ask of Rehoboam? \_\_\_\_\_
4. What did the elders advise Rehoboam to do? \_\_\_\_\_
5. Did Rehoboam take the advise of these older men? \_\_\_\_\_
6. Whose advice did Rehoboam then seek? \_\_\_\_\_
7. What was their advice? \_\_\_\_\_
8. What did Rehoboam tell the people when they returned on the third day? \_\_\_\_\_
9. Who was really behind these events? \_\_\_\_\_
10. What were some of the things that Solomon had made the people do during his reign? \_\_\_\_\_
11. Who had warned the Israelites that a king would make their lives harder? \_\_\_\_\_



**Read 1 Kings 12:16-24**

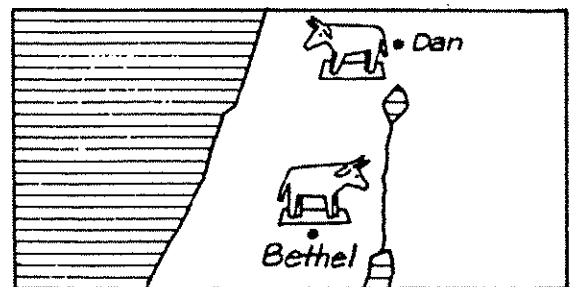
Check the correct answer:

1. When the Israelites heard Rehoboam's answer, they said  
\_\_\_\_\_ they wouldn't have anything to do with David's family.  
\_\_\_\_\_ they were going to kill Rehoboam.
2. When Rehoboam sent Adoram to collect the taxes from the Israelites,  
\_\_\_\_\_ they paid extra taxes so he wouldn't make them work so hard.  
\_\_\_\_\_ they stoned him to death.
3. The people made Jeroboam  
\_\_\_\_\_ king over all the land except Judah.  
\_\_\_\_\_ speak to the king once more.
4. Rehoboam started to gather his army against Israel, but  
\_\_\_\_\_ he couldn't find enough soldiers.  
\_\_\_\_\_ God told him not to fight against his brethren.



**Read 1 Kings 12:25-33**

Fill in the blanks with the correct words:

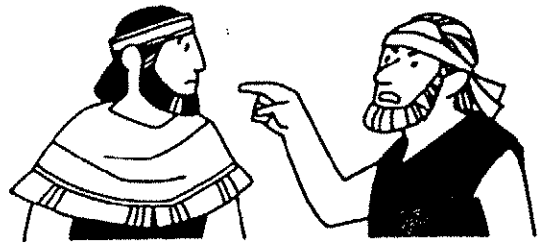


1. Jeroboam built the city of \_\_\_\_\_ in the mountains of \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Jeroboam was afraid that his followers might return to Rehoboam when they went to offer \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Jeroboam made two \_\_\_\_\_ of gold and set one in \_\_\_\_\_ and one in \_\_\_\_\_.
4. Jeroboam also made his own \_\_\_\_\_ days.
5. All of this became a \_\_\_\_\_.



### **Read I Kings 14:1-18**

True/False



- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Jeroboam's son became sick.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Jeroboam sent his wife to see Ahijah, the prophet.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Ahijah could see that it was Jeroboam's wife even though she pretended to be someone else.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. God had told Ahijah what to say.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. Ahijah told Jeroboam's wife that the child would get well.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. Ahijah told Jeroboam's wife that God had given Jeroboam the kingdom, but that he had disobeyed God.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. Ahijah told Jeroboam's wife that when she entered the city, the child would get well.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8. Ahijah told Jeroboam's wife that the kingdom would be removed from the family of Jeroboam.



### **Read I Kings 14:19-20**

- 1. How long did Jeroboam reign as king over **Israel**? \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. Who became king when Jeroboam died? \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. Where else can you read about the things that Jeroboam did?  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 4. Do you think God was pleased with how Jeroboam reigned as king? \_\_\_\_\_
- 5. Did Jeroboam have any choices to make during the time he reigned? Did he make the right ones? \_\_\_\_\_



**Read 1 Kings 14:21-31**



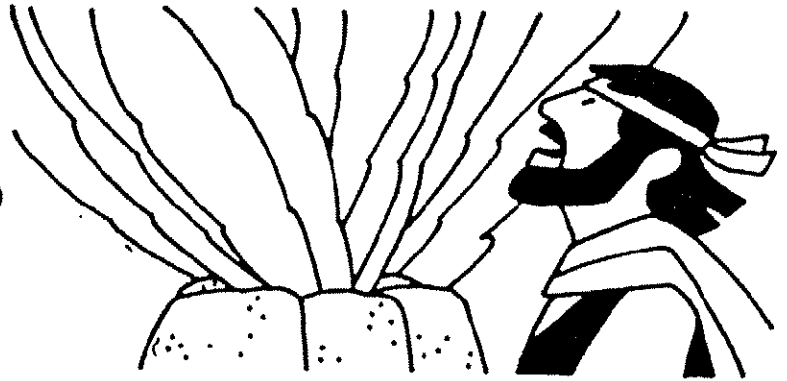
1. How long did Rehoboam reign in **Judah**? \_\_\_\_\_
2. Where was his mother from? \_\_\_\_\_
3. How might this have affected Rehoboam? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
4. Was Rehoboam a king that pleased God? \_\_\_\_\_
5. List some of the things that **Judah** did during the reign of Rehoboam? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
6. What happened when Shishak, the king of Egypt, invaded Jerusalem? \_\_\_\_\_
7. What kind of relations did Rehoboam and Jeroboam have? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
8. When Rehoboam died, who became the next king of **Judah**? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

*As we begin our look at the kings and prophets of the divided kingdom, we will notice the differences and similarities between **Israel** and **Judah**. We will see that **Israel's** kings are, for the most part, all wicked, disobedient to God and lead their kingdoms into idolatry. **Judah**, on the other hand, will have several good kings who turn the people back to serving the true God. **Israel** and **Judah** will continue to be enemies with each other throughout this period. We will also look at several prophets who interacted with the kings in each area. Most of them gave the same warning to the kings: "Return to God or you will be judged." Most of the kings, however, will refuse to listen to the prophets and eventually lead their people to certain disaster.*

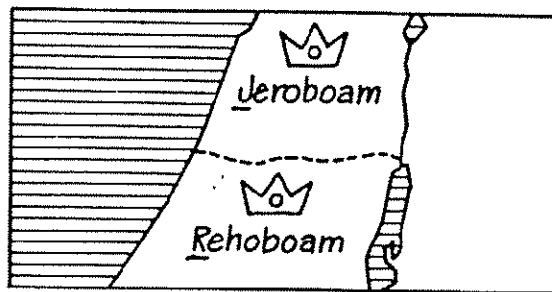
## Lesson 2

# Elijah And Wicked King Ahab

I Kings 16-18



When Rehoboam died, his son and his grandson Asa followed as kings in **Judah**. Asa did what was right in God's eyes. As the years passed, other men became kings of **Israel**. Most of them did not obey God's commands. The worst was Ahab who built temples for idol worship.



Judah



Rehoboam (Solomon's son)



Abijah



Asa (a good king)

Israel



Jeroboam



(many kings)



Ahab (a very wicked king)



### **Read I Kings 16:29-34**

Which verse tells us that . . .

1. Ahab reigned over Israel twenty-two years? vs. \_\_\_\_\_
2. Ahab did more evil than any other king? vs. \_\_\_\_\_
3. To make matters even worse, he married Jezebel, a wicked woman who encouraged him to worship Baal? vs. \_\_\_\_\_



### **Read I Kings 17:1-7**

Check the correct answer:



1. The prophet, Elijah, spoke to Ahab and told him that for three years there would be no  
       \_\_\_\_\_ wars.  
       \_\_\_\_\_ rain.
2. God told Elijah to  
       \_\_\_\_\_ stay near Ahab and give him advice.  
       \_\_\_\_\_ hide near the Brook Cherith.
3. During this drought, Elijah would be fed  
       \_\_\_\_\_ food that had been stored by Ahab.  
       \_\_\_\_\_ by ravens in the morning and evening.

### **What's The Meaning?**

prophets \_\_\_\_\_

sacrifice \_\_\_\_\_

oil \_\_\_\_\_



### **Read 1 Kings 17:8-16**

True/False

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. God sent Elijah to Zarephath.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Elijah asked a wealthy woman to give him some food.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. When the woman made some bread for Elijah, her flour and oil never ran out.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Elijah told her that her flour and oil would not run out until God would send rain.



### **Read 1 Kings 17:17-24**

Circle the correct words:

- 1. The son of this widow in Zarephath **DIED / LEFT HOME.**
- 2. The woman said Elijah had **CAUSED HIS DEATH / TRIED TO SAVE HER SON.**
- 3. Elijah took the boy to his room and **PRAYED TO GOD / SENT FOR A DOCTOR.**
- 4. When the boy came back to life, the woman said she knew that **ELIJAH WAS A MAN OF GOD / HE WAS ONLY ASLEEP.**



### **Read 1 Kings 18:1-19**

True/False

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. God told Elijah to go to Ahab.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Jezebel had been very kind to the prophets of God.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Ahab's servant, Obadiah, had hidden 100 prophets.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Obadiah was afraid Ahab might kill him if he found out he knew where Elijah was.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. Elijah told Ahab that the famine had been caused by his disobedience.



**Read 1 Kings 18:19-29**

1. Who was Ahab to gather at Mount Carmel? \_\_\_\_\_
2. Describe what the prophets of Baal were to do with their sacrifice. \_\_\_\_\_
3. How would the people know which god was the true God? \_\_\_\_\_
4. After awhile, what did Elijah say to these prophets of Baal? \_\_\_\_\_
5. Finally, what did these prophets do to themselves in a desperate attempt to get their god to answer them? \_\_\_\_\_
6. After all of this, did their god send fire on their sacrifice? \_\_\_\_\_



**Read 1 Kings 18:30-40**

Check the things which happened during Elijah's sacrifice:

- \_\_\_\_\_ He repaired the altar of the Lord.
- \_\_\_\_\_ He chose twelve stones to represent the twelve tribes.
- \_\_\_\_\_ He built the altar with the twelve stones.
- \_\_\_\_\_ He built an idol to go on top of the altar.
- \_\_\_\_\_ He dug a trench all around the altar.
- \_\_\_\_\_ He laid the bull on top of the wood.
- \_\_\_\_\_ He poured twelve waterpots of water over the altar.
- \_\_\_\_\_ He called on God to show these people who was the true God.
- \_\_\_\_\_ He cut himself to beg God to hear his prayer.
- \_\_\_\_\_ God sent fire that burned up the sacrifice, the altar, the stones, the dust and all the water.
- \_\_\_\_\_ When the people saw it, they knew God was the true God.
- \_\_\_\_\_ All of the prophets of Baal repented and became prophets of God.



## Lesson 3

# ***The Evil Plans Of Ahab and Jezebel***

I Kings 18-22



**Read I Kings 18:41-46**

Which verse tells us that . . .

1. Elijah told Ahab there was the sound of rain? vs. \_\_\_\_\_
2. Elijah sent his servant seven times to see if he could see any signs of rain? vs. \_\_\_\_\_
3. The seventh time the servant returned and said he saw a tiny cloud? vs. \_\_\_\_\_
4. Soon the sky was black with clouds? vs. \_\_\_\_\_
5. Elijah ran ahead of Ahab? vs. \_\_\_\_\_



**Read I Kings 19:1-8**

1. What had Ahab told Jezebel? \_\_\_\_\_
2. What did Jezebel vow to do? \_\_\_\_\_
3. What did Elijah do? \_\_\_\_\_
4. What did Elijah pray? \_\_\_\_\_
5. What did the angel do? \_\_\_\_\_
6. How far did Elijah go on this amount of food? \_\_\_\_\_



### **Read I Kings 19:9-21**

Check the correct answer:

1. When Elijah was in the cave, he told God that  
\_\_\_\_\_ he was the only one left that was serving God.  
\_\_\_\_\_ he would return to Jezreel and see Ahab.
2. God sent Elijah to a mountain where God  
\_\_\_\_\_ told him Ahab and Jezebel would not kill him.  
\_\_\_\_\_ sent a great wind and an earthquake.
3. Again, God sent a fire and then a  
\_\_\_\_\_ hurricane.  
\_\_\_\_\_ still small voice.
4. This time, God spoke to Elijah and told Elijah to  
\_\_\_\_\_ go back and anoint a new king over Syria,  
Israel and a new prophet.  
\_\_\_\_\_ keep running away from Ahab and Jezebel.
5. God told Elijah that there were 7,000 people who  
\_\_\_\_\_ were trying to kill him.  
\_\_\_\_\_ had not worshipped Baal.
6. When Elijah found Elisha, he  
\_\_\_\_\_ threw his mantle over him  
and he followed Elijah.  
\_\_\_\_\_ didn't want to come with Elijah.

### **What's The Meaning?**

stone \_\_\_\_\_

seal \_\_\_\_\_

mantle \_\_\_\_\_



**Read 1 Kings 21:1-16**



1. Where was Naboth's vineyard?  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. What did Ahab request of Naboth? \_\_\_\_\_
2. Why didn't Naboth want to sell his vineyard? \_\_\_\_\_
3. How did Ahab react? \_\_\_\_\_
4. What did Jezebel do about it? \_\_\_\_\_
5. How did she write the letters? \_\_\_\_\_
5. What happened at the fast? \_\_\_\_\_
6. What did they do to Naboth? \_\_\_\_\_
7. Did Ahab get the vineyard? \_\_\_\_\_
8. Who had warned the people that a king would take their vineyards for himself? \_\_\_\_\_



**Read 1 Kings 21:17-29**

Check the things that Elijah said to Ahab:

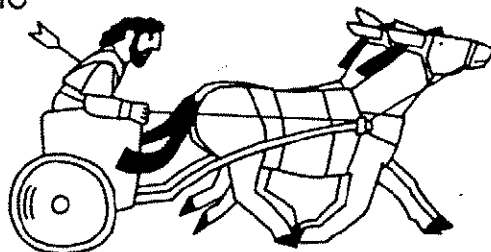
- \_\_\_\_\_ Have you murdered and taken possession (of the vineyard)?
- \_\_\_\_\_ The dogs will lick your blood where they licked the blood of Naboth.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Since you are the king, don't worry about it.
- \_\_\_\_\_ You have sold yourself to do evil in the sight of the Lord.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I will cut off from Ahab's family every male in Israel.
- \_\_\_\_\_ The dogs will eat Jezebel by the wall of Jezreel.



# Read 1 Kings 22:29-39

Check the correct answer:

1. King Ahab (the king of **Israel**) and King Jehoshaphat (the king of **Judah**)  
 \_\_\_\_\_ went up to Ramoth Gilead to fight together against the Syrians.  
 \_\_\_\_\_ went to war against each other.
2. King Ahab wanted to go into the battle  
 \_\_\_\_\_ wearing a disguise.  
 \_\_\_\_\_ riding on a white horse.
3. During the battle, Ahab was  
 \_\_\_\_\_ captured by the enemy.  
 \_\_\_\_\_ struck by an arrow.
4. Ahab was removed from the battle and he  
 \_\_\_\_\_ died later that evening.  
 \_\_\_\_\_ soon recovered from the injury.
5. When they washed Ahab's chariot  
 \_\_\_\_\_ many people came to pay their respect for Ahab.  
 \_\_\_\_\_ the dogs licked the blood, just as Elijah had said.



# Read 1 Kings 22:39-53

Fill in the missing names:

**Judah**

Asa (a good king)

|

\_\_\_\_\_ (a \_\_\_\_\_ king)

|

\_\_\_\_\_

**Israel**

Ahab (a wicked king)

|

\_\_\_\_\_ (a \_\_\_\_\_ king)

Lesson 4

***Elisha Takes  
Elijah's Place***

II Kings 1-5



**Read II Kings 2:1-25**

1. Who was Elisha? (See I Kings 19:19-21) \_\_\_\_\_
2. What was God going to do with Elijah? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. What did Elijah ask Elisha to do three different times, but Elisha refused? \_\_\_\_\_
4. What did Elijah do at the Jordan River? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
5. What was Elisha's last request of Elijah? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
6. How was Elijah taken up into heaven? \_\_\_\_\_
7. What did Elisha do when he got back to the Jordan River? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
8. What did the sons of the prophets want Elisha to ask the servants to do? \_\_\_\_\_
9. Did they find Elijah? \_\_\_\_\_
10. Describe the two miracles that Elisha performed. (See verses 19-25) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



### **Read II Kings 4:1-7**

Fill in the blanks with the missing words:



This story is about a \_\_\_\_\_ who had two \_\_\_\_\_. After her husband died, her \_\_\_\_\_ were going to make her sons be his \_\_\_\_\_ because she could not pay her debts.

She told \_\_\_\_\_ that all she had in the house was a jar of \_\_\_\_\_. Elisha told her to go and borrow \_\_\_\_\_ from her \_\_\_\_\_. She took the vessels and filled them with \_\_\_\_\_ and then Elisha told her to go and \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ and pay her \_\_\_\_\_.



### **Read II Kings 4:8-37**

True/False

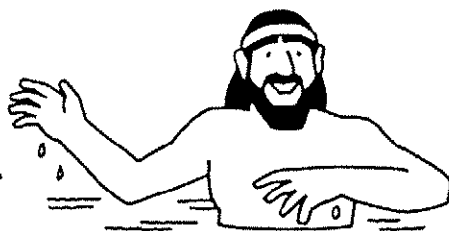
- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. A woman in the town of Shunem always wanted Elisha to eat a meal with them when he came through the city.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. She and her husband fixed up a little room for Elisha .
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Elisha wanted to pay the woman money for the room.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Gehazi, Elisha's servant, said the woman didn't have a son.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. Elisha told her that she would have a son in about a year.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. When the child grew up, one day he went to his father in the field and said he was hungry.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. Elisha went to the house and found the boy lying on the bed.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8. Elisha told the woman to send for a doctor.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 9. Elisha stretched himself over the boy twice and he awoke.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 10. Elisha sent for the woman and gave her the boy alive again.



## Read II Kings 5:1-19

Check the correct answer:

1. Naaman was a commander of the army of the King of Syria  
\_\_\_\_\_ but he had leprosy.  
\_\_\_\_\_ who wanted to be king.
2. Naaman's wife had a  
\_\_\_\_\_ young Israelite girl as a servant.  
\_\_\_\_\_ doctor in **Israel**.
3. The little girl suggested that Naaman  
\_\_\_\_\_ return her to her family.  
\_\_\_\_\_ go to see the prophet in **Israel** to be cured of leprosy.
4. When Naaman came to Elisha's house  
\_\_\_\_\_ Elisha refused to see him.  
\_\_\_\_\_ Elisha sent a messenger and told Naaman to go and wash seven times in the Jordan.
5. When Naaman heard these instructions, he  
\_\_\_\_\_ was furious.  
\_\_\_\_\_ immediately went to the Jordan and washed.
6. Naaman's servant  
\_\_\_\_\_ finally persuaded Naaman to go ahead and wash.  
\_\_\_\_\_ took Naaman back home.
7. When Naaman dipped in the Jordan seven times  
\_\_\_\_\_ his leprosy was cured.  
\_\_\_\_\_ his leprosy was a little better.
8. Naaman returned to Elisha and said he  
\_\_\_\_\_ knew that the God of Israel was the true God.  
\_\_\_\_\_ should have sent him to a cleaner river.
9. Naaman wanted to give Elisha a  
\_\_\_\_\_ position in the king's army.  
\_\_\_\_\_ gift.



## What's The Meaning?

leprosy \_\_\_\_\_



### Read II Kings 5:20-27

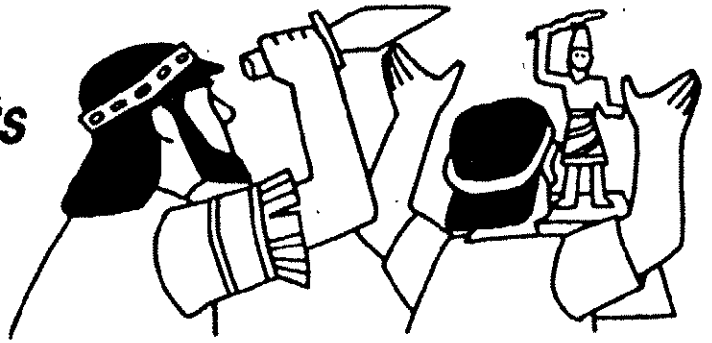
1. What did Gehazi, Elisha's servant, decide that he would do? \_\_\_\_\_
2. Was Naaman glad to give Gehazi what he asked for? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Did he tell Elisha the truth? \_\_\_\_\_
4. What did Elisha say would happen to Gehazi? \_\_\_\_\_
5. Do you think the little servant girl had faith in God that her master could be healed? \_\_\_\_\_
6. Did Naaman have faith that he could be healed? \_\_\_\_\_
7. Why do you think he was angry when Elisha simply told him to go and wash in the river seven times? \_\_\_\_\_
8. Are there simple things we are told to do that sometimes we don't want to do? Give an example. \_\_\_\_\_
9. Why do you think Gehazi thought Elisha would never know about the gift? \_\_\_\_\_
10. Have you ever thought you could do something you shouldn't do as long as no one knows about it? Give an example. \_\_\_\_\_
11. Even if no one ever knows about it, does that make it right? Who *will* know about it? \_\_\_\_\_
12. Should our parents be able to trust us even when they aren't watching us, like when we are at school? \_\_\_\_\_



## Lesson 5

# Kings and Prophets Of Israel

II Kings 9-10  
Hosea, Amos



Nearly every king in **Israel** (The Northern Kingdom) was a wicked king who disobeyed God and led the people to serve foreign gods and idols. God will send several prophets to warn the people to turn away from their idolatry and return to serving Him. God will allow an enemy to capture and eventually destroy the nation of **Israel**. God sends several prophets to warn the people, but they will not turn from their idols.



**Read II Kings 9:1-37**

1. Who did Elisha send his servant to anoint as king? \_\_\_\_\_
2. What was Jehu told to do to the house of Ahab? \_\_\_\_\_
3. When Jehu killed Joram, the son of Ahab, where did they throw his body? \_\_\_\_\_
4. Who else was killed at this time by Jehu? \_\_\_\_\_
5. Who heard that Jehu was coming to Jezreel? \_\_\_\_\_
6. What happened to Jezebel? \_\_\_\_\_
7. What happened when they went to bury her? \_\_\_\_\_
8. What had Elijah predicted would happen to Ahab's house and to Jezebel? (See I Kings 21:23-24) \_\_\_\_\_





## Read II Kings 10:18-36

True/False

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. After Jehu had destroyed the rest of Ahab's family, he called all the worshippers of Baal together for a sacrifice.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. When the worshippers of Baal were crowded together into the temple of Baal, Jehu sent eighty men to kill them.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Jehu destroyed all the Baal worship in Israel.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Jehu destroyed the calf worship which Jereboam started.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. Jehu did not fully walk in the ways of the Lord.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. During this time, the Lord began to cut off areas of **Israel** and give them to their enemies.



Read the following verses and find the name of each king of **Israel** in the puzzle below. How many kings were good?

Verses

- II Kings 13:1-2
- II Kings 13:10-13
- II Kings 14:23-24
- II Kings 15:8-9
- II Kings 15:17-18
- II Kings 15:23-24
- II Kings 17:1-2

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**Hosea** was a prophet who spoke to the kingdom of **Israel** during this period from Jereboam II to Hoshea. (II Kings 14-17). He warned them that they would be judged by God for their disobedience. Eventually, the kingdom of Israel was captured by the Assyrians just as Hosea had warned. Hosea saw the end of the kingdom in his lifetime. His prophecies came true.



**Hosea**



**Read Hosea 1:1-11**

Match Hosea's children with the meaning of the names:

Jezreel

"I will no longer have mercy on Israel."

Lo-Ruhamah

"I will bring an end to the kingdom of Israel."

Lo-Ammi

"You are not my people and I will not be your God."



**Read the following verses and match them with what Hosea told the people of Israel:**

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|---------------|-------|---|
| 1. Hosea 4:12 | _____ | They mixed with evil people and became like them.                 |
| 2. Hosea 5:13 | _____ | They went to other nations for help instead of going to God.      |
| 3. Hosea 6:4  | _____ | Worshipping idols had caused them to stray.                       |
| 4. Hosea 7:8  | _____ | They sowed the wind and reaped a whirlwind.                       |
| 5. Hosea 8:7  | _____ | Their faithfulness was like morning dew that disappeared quickly. |



**Read the following verses and tell what Hosea warned would happen if they did not return to God:**

Hosea 9:3 \_\_\_\_\_

Hosea 9:9 \_\_\_\_\_

Hosea 9:17 \_\_\_\_\_

Hosea 10:15 \_\_\_\_\_

Another prophet who spoke to the kingdom of **Israel** during this time was **Amos**. He lived in the southern kingdom of Judah, but he prophesied to the nation of **Israel** during this time of great idolatry. Amos told the people the importance of living a life that pleases God. They should worship the one, true God.



**Amos**



**Read the following verses and answer the questions:**

1. What was the occupation of Amos? (Amos 1:1) \_\_\_\_\_
2. What did Amos say would happen to King Jeroboam and to **Israel**? (Amos 7:11) \_\_\_\_\_
3. What would happen to **Israel**? (Amos 9:8) \_\_\_\_\_



**Read Amos 7:1-8:6**

Match the verses below to the message of the vision on the right, then number the pictures that best illustrate the visions:

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|----|----------|-------|---|
| 1. | Amos 7:1 | _____ | The land would be destroyed by fire.                            |
| 2. | Amos 7:4 | _____ | The locusts would destroy the crops.                            |
| 3. | Amos 7:7 | _____ | The Lord would judge the people like a builder measures a wall. |
| 4. | Amos 8:1 | _____ | The people were once beautiful like fruit, but now rotten.      |



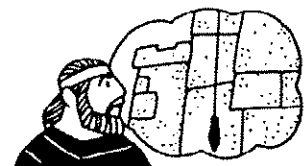
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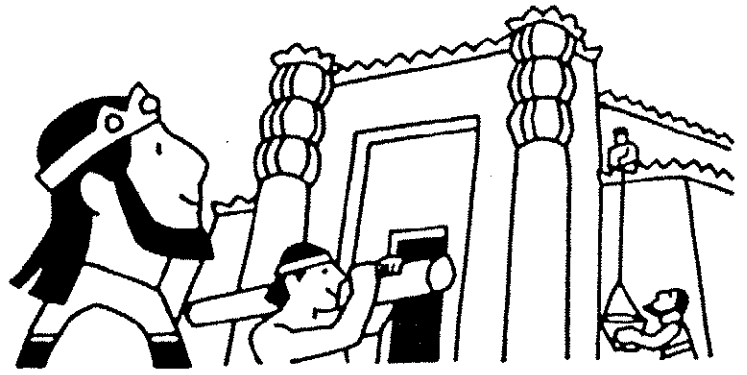


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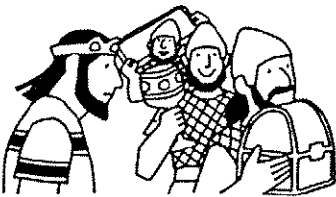
## Lesson 6

# King Joash Repairs the Temple

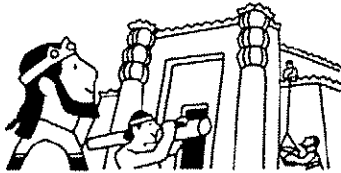
II Kings 12-14  
Joel



Now our attention turns to the Southern Kingdom of **Judah** and some of its kings and prophets.  **Read II Kings 11:1-3; 21 and 12:1-21**



1. How was Joash rescued from his evil grandmother? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

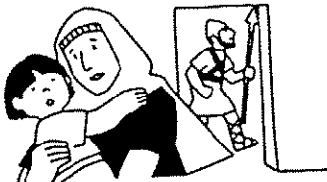


2. How long was he hidden? \_\_\_\_\_

3. How old was Joash when he was eventually crowned king of **Judah**? \_\_\_\_\_

4. How long did Jehoash (Joash) reign in **Judah**? \_\_\_\_\_

5. What kind of king was Jehoash? Did he remove **ALL** the false worship? \_\_\_\_\_



6. What project did Jehoash assign the priests? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

7. When Hazael, the king of Syria, threatened to attack Jerusalem, what did Jehoash do? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



8. How did Jehoash's reign come to an end? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

9. Who became the next king? \_\_\_\_\_

**Now, draw a line from the pictures to the matching questions.**



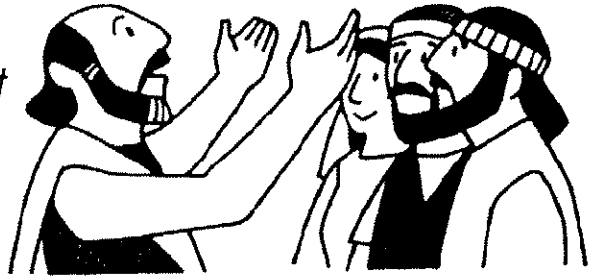
**Read II Kings 14:1-22, 15:1-7**

Check the correct answer:



1. Amaziah, the son of Jehoash, became king of **Judah** when  
\_\_\_\_\_ he was 25 years old.  
\_\_\_\_\_ his father was an old man.
2. He did what was right in the sight of the Lord  
\_\_\_\_\_ and even destroyed all the idol worship.  
\_\_\_\_\_ except he did not remove the idol worship.
3. Soon after he became king, Amaziah  
\_\_\_\_\_ put to death the men who had murdered his father, Jehoash.  
\_\_\_\_\_ rewarded the men who had murdered his father.
4. When **Judah** was defeated by Israel in battle, the king of Israel  
\_\_\_\_\_ captured Amaziah.  
\_\_\_\_\_ murdered Amaziah.
5. The king of **Israel** also went to Jerusalem and  
\_\_\_\_\_ broke down the wall of Jerusalem and carried away the treasures of the Temple.  
\_\_\_\_\_ killed all of the king's sons.
6. After Amaziah died, his son Azariah, became king of **Judah** when he  
\_\_\_\_\_ was sixteen years old.  
\_\_\_\_\_ promised to replace the idols in the land.
7. Azariah also did everything that was right  
\_\_\_\_\_ except that he did not remove the high places of false worship.  
\_\_\_\_\_ and even removed all the idols from the land.
8. Because he did not return fully to the Lord,  
\_\_\_\_\_ Azariah was defeated in battle.  
\_\_\_\_\_ the Lord struck Azariah with leprosy and he died.

**Joel** was a prophet who spoke to the Southern Kingdom of **Judah** during this time. Joel told the people of **Judah** that a terrible attack of locusts which had just taken place was God's judgment on them for their many sins. Joel told the people to return to God and His love.



**Read Joel 1:1-12**

Which verse tells us that . . .



1. The land had suffered an attack of locusts which had destroyed everything? vs. \_\_\_\_\_
2. All of the crops, grain, wine and oil were ruined? vs. \_\_\_\_\_
3. Even the trees were withered? vs. \_\_\_\_\_



**Read Joel 2:12-17 and 18-20**

Check the things that Joel told the people they should do and then what the Lord would do for them if they repented:

- |       |  |
|-------|--|
| _____ | Turn to me with all your heart.                  |
| _____ | Return to the Lord your God.                     |
| _____ | Build yourselves new idols.                      |
| _____ | Call a sacred assembly.                          |
| _____ | Make some new feast days.                        |
| _____ | The Lord will send grain and new wine and oil.   |
| _____ | The Lord will drive away the northern army.      |
| _____ | The Lord will allow other nations to attack you. |
| _____ | You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied.        |
| _____ | You will know that I am in the midst of Israel.  |



**Read Joel 2:28-32 and Acts 2:17-21**



Many years later, the apostle Peter will quote from Joel when he preaches to the people about Jesus and the resurrection. What does he mean when he says, "Whoever calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."? \_\_\_\_\_

### **What Do You Think?**

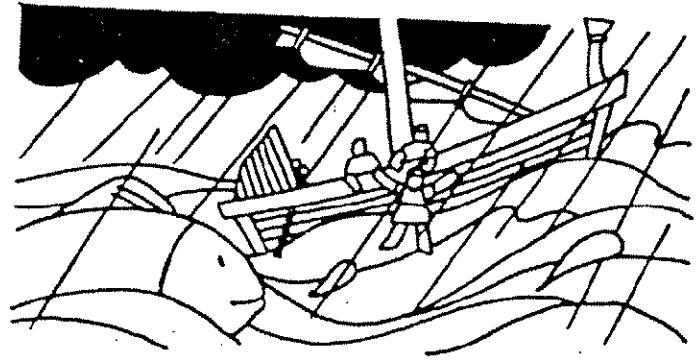
1. What was the sin that **Israel** and **Judah** nearly always committed? \_\_\_\_\_
2. Why do you think they continually practiced worshipping idols? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Do you think they thought they might be pleasing God or do you think they had forgotten all about God? \_\_\_\_\_
4. Why do think it was so displeasing to God that his people did this? \_\_\_\_\_
5. Even the nation of **Judah**, which tried to serve God, didn't worship God in the way He had instructed. Why do you think God was angry with them, if they were at least trying to worship Him? \_\_\_\_\_
6. What was one word that nearly every prophet spoke to the people? \_ \_ \_ \_ \_
7. Do you think it is important to God how we worship Him today? Why? \_\_\_\_\_
8. Had God told the Israelites how to worship Him? \_\_\_\_\_
9. Has God told us how we are to worship Him today? \_\_\_\_\_
10. Where can we read how God wants us to worship? \_\_\_\_\_



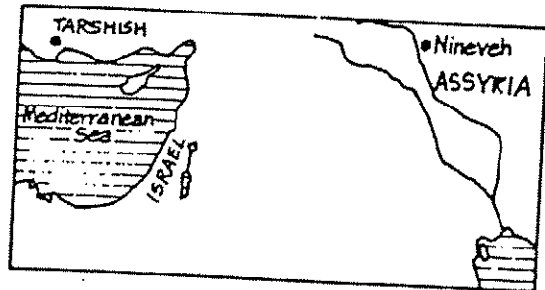
## Lesson 7

# God Sends Jonah To Nineveh

Jonah 1-4



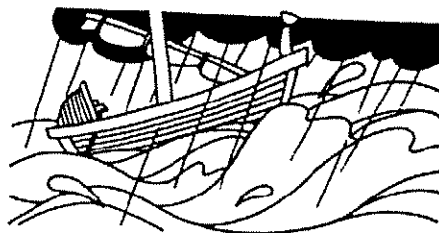
Assyria was growing very powerful. God's people in **Israel** were afraid they would be conquered by Assyria. Nineveh was an evil city within the Assyrian empire. God called **Jonah** to go to Nineveh and warn them that they would be destroyed for their wickedness. Jonah did not want to go. He wanted Nineveh to be crushed.



**Read Jonah 1:1-9**

True/False

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. God sent Jonah to Nineveh because it was such a good city.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Jonah was glad to go to Nineveh.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Jonah thought that he could hide from the Lord.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. When he took a ship to Tarshish, God sent a great wind and they thought the ship would wreck.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. The crew on the ship were calling to their gods to save them.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. They found Jonah sleeping and told him to worship their gods with them.





### **Read Jonah 1:10-17**

1. What had Jonah told the men on the ship? \_\_\_\_\_
2. What did Jonah tell the men they could do to save themselves from the storm? \_\_\_\_\_
3. At first, what did the crew do instead of throwing Jonah into the sea? \_\_\_\_\_
4. When the storm got worse and worse, what two things did the crew ask of God? \_\_\_\_\_
5. What happened when the crew threw Jonah into the sea? \_\_\_\_\_
6. What did the crew do once the storm calmed? \_\_\_\_\_
7. What happened to Jonah when he was thrown into the sea? \_\_\_\_\_



### **Read Jonah 2:1-10**

Check the things that Jonah prayed to God from inside the fish:

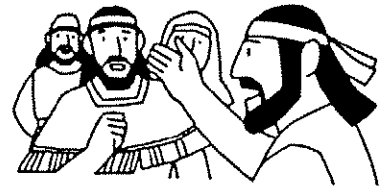


- \_\_\_\_\_ I cried to the Lord and He answered me.
- \_\_\_\_\_ You cast me into the deep.
- \_\_\_\_\_ A lifeboat rescued me.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Weeds were wrapped around my head.
- \_\_\_\_\_ When my soul fainted, I remembered You.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I will sacrifice to idols.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Salvation is of the Lord.

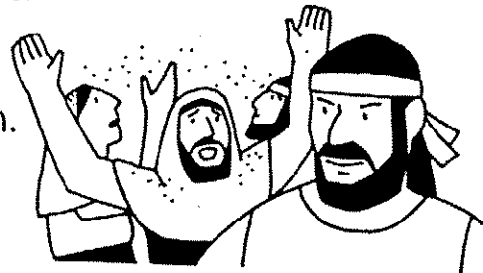


### Read Jonah 3:1-10

Check the correct answer:



1. God spoke to Jonah again and told him to  
\_\_\_\_\_ go to Nineveh and preach God's message.  
\_\_\_\_\_ forget about going to Nineveh.
2. Nineveh was a  
\_\_\_\_\_ small city.  
\_\_\_\_\_ large city that took three days to go through.
3. Jonah's message to Nineveh was  
\_\_\_\_\_ in forty days Nineveh would be destroyed.  
\_\_\_\_\_ God might punish them if they didn't repent.
4. When the people heard Jonah's message, they  
\_\_\_\_\_ laughed at Jonah.  
\_\_\_\_\_ believed.
5. When the king of Nineveh heard  
\_\_\_\_\_ he had Jonah put in prison.  
\_\_\_\_\_ he covered himself with ashes.
6. The king commanded the people to  
\_\_\_\_\_ make a great feast for Jonah.  
\_\_\_\_\_ not eat or drink anything.
7. The king ordered the people to  
\_\_\_\_\_ turn from their evil ways.  
\_\_\_\_\_ find Jonah and kill him.
8. When God saw that they had turned from their evil ways, he  
\_\_\_\_\_ didn't believe that they really meant it.  
\_\_\_\_\_ did not destroy the city like he said he would.
9. This story illustrates that God  
\_\_\_\_\_ is in control of the affairs of all nations.  
\_\_\_\_\_ is really only concerned with His people.





### Read Jonah 4:1-11

Use the words in the box below to answer the questions:

1. When God decided not to destroy Nineveh, this made Jonah very \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Jonah told God that he \_\_\_\_\_ this is what would happen.
3. Jonah was so upset that he asked God to take his \_\_\_\_\_.
4. Jonah went out of the city and made himself a \_\_\_\_\_ to sit under.
5. God prepared a \_\_\_\_\_ to shade Jonah.
6. The next day a \_\_\_\_\_ destroyed the plant.
7. Jonah was so hot he wanted to \_\_\_\_\_.
8. God said that he had the right to have \_\_\_\_\_ on a city, just as he had pity on Jonah.

life

angry

worm

knew

plant

die

shelter

pity



## Lesson 8

# The Kingdom Of Israel Falls

II Kings 17



**Read II Kings 17:1-6**

True/False

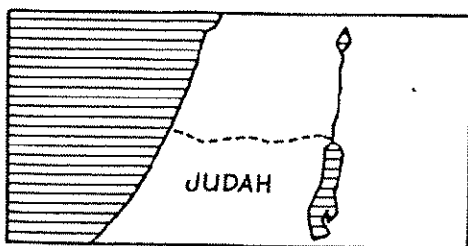
- ☐ 1. Hoshea was the king of **Israel** at this time.
- ☐ 2. He was a good king.
- ☐ 3. When the king of Assyria challenged **Israel**, Hoshea became his vassal and paid him taxes.
- ☐ 4. Eventually, Hoshea was put into prison for trying to plot against the king of Assyria.
- ☐ 5. Finally, the king of Assyria defeated **Israel** and carried the people away from their land.



**Read II Kings 17:7-18**

Check the things which **Israel** had done which had caused them to be totally defeated as a nation:

- ☐ They had feared other gods.
- ☐ They had followed the statutes of the nations around them.
- ☐ They read God's law everyday.
- ☐ They built themselves high places for false worship.
- ☐ They built pillars and images to worship.
- ☐ They burned incense in the high places.
- ☐ They would not listen to God's prophets.
- ☐ They repented and turned to the Lord.
- ☐ They left the commandments of the Lord.
- ☐ They burned their own children in idol worship.
- ☐ They practiced witchcraft.



**Read II Kings 17:24-41**

1. Who did the king of Assyria send to live in the cities of Samaria (**Israel**)? \_\_\_\_\_
2. What happened to some of these people who had moved into the land? Why? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. Did these people recognize that this was the Lord's land? \_\_\_\_\_
4. Who did the king of Assyria send to Samaria (**Israel**)? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
5. What was he supposed to do? \_\_\_\_\_
6. Did these people fully turn to serving the Lord? What did they continue practicing? \_\_\_\_\_
7. What was one of the things that God had said to His people in His covenant with them? (See verse 35) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
8. Since God had brought the people up out of Egypt, what did he expect of them? (See verse 36) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
9. What had God always promised them, if they would only serve Him? (See verse 39) \_\_\_\_\_
10. Did these nations that had been moved into the land of **Israel** ever fully understand and follow the commandments of the Lord? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

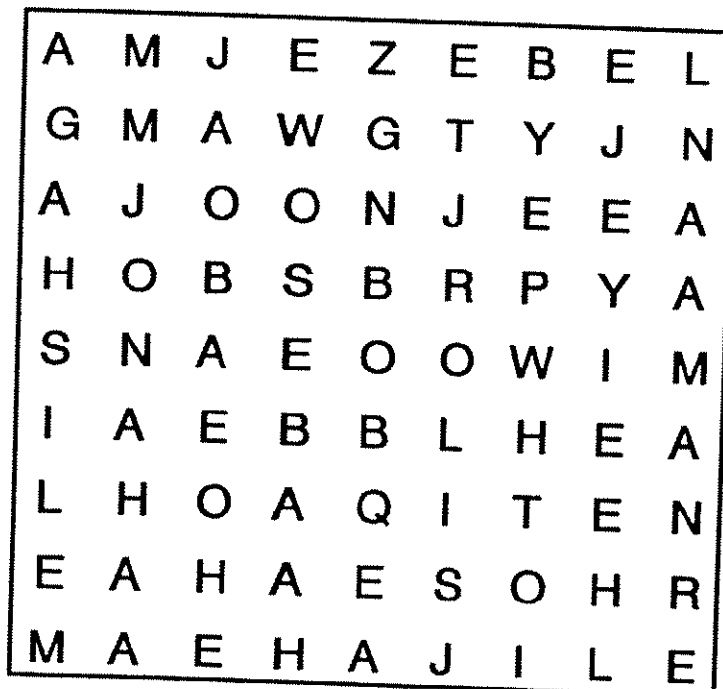
### **What Do You Think?**

1. How do you think the people of **Israel** feel now that they have been taken captive by the Assyrian king? Do you think that they wish they had listened more carefully to the warnings of the prophets? \_\_\_\_\_
2. Do you think that the Israelites had plenty of chances to return to serving the Lord? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Why do you think they were so stubborn in their refusal to give up their idol worship? \_\_\_\_\_
4. Do you think that this will serve as a good lesson for the people of **Judah** who still live in the land? \_\_\_\_\_
5. How do many people today treat God's laws? \_\_\_\_\_
6. Do people today ever do what others around them are doing instead of what God tells them to do? Give an example. \_\_\_\_\_
7. Do you think God is pleased today when people refuse to follow His commandments? \_\_\_\_\_
8. Some people today say that God is a God of love and wouldn't punish anyone just for disobeying? From what you have learned from this lesson, do you think this is true? Why? \_\_\_\_\_
9. Do you think it matters to God how we worship Him? \_\_\_\_\_
10. What were some of the things that God promised the people of Israel if they obeyed Him? \_\_\_\_\_
11. What are some of the things that God has promised to us if we obey Him? \_\_\_\_\_

## Reviewing What You've Learned

Find the answers to the questions in the puzzle below:

1. I was the first king of the divided kingdom. My father was Solomon.
2. Because I was afraid my people might return to Jerusalem, I built golden calves for them to worship in Dan and Bethel.
3. I was the most wicked king the Israelites ever had.
4. I told Ahab to assemble all the prophets of Baal at Mt. Carmel to show that God was the true God.
5. I was married to King Ahab and I encouraged him to lead the people into the worship of Baal.
6. I was a prophet who named my three children names which meant warnings to Israel.
7. I was the prophet who took the place of Elijah.
8. I was cured of my leprosy when I dipped in the Jordan River seven times.
9. I was a prophet who was sent to Nineveh, but tried to run away from God.
10. I was a prophet and a herdsman.

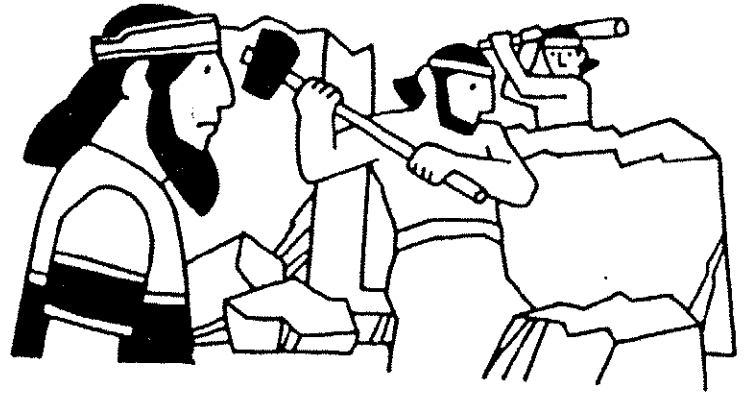




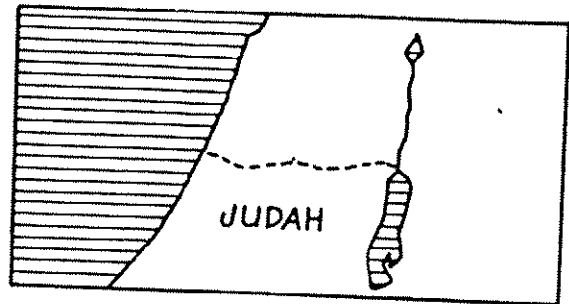
## Lesson 9

# Hezekiah Brings Spiritual Renewal

II Kings 18-20



Now we will turn our attention back to **Judah**. **Israel** as a nation has come to an end. **Judah** is all that is left of God's people, even though they have not always completely followed His laws. In this lesson we will look at one of the best kings of **Judah** and see how his trust in God helped him in leading the people.



**Read II Kings 18:1-16**

1. Who was the king of **Judah** at this time? \_\_\_\_\_
2. What kind of king was Hezekiah? \_\_\_\_\_
3. What four things did Hezekiah remove from **Judah**? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
4. What had happened to the nation of **Israel** during the reign of Hezekiah? \_\_\_\_\_
5. What country had carried **Israel** away captive? \_\_\_\_\_
6. Why had God allowed **Israel** to be destroyed? \_\_\_\_\_
7. After **Israel** had been taken captive, what did the king of Assyria force Hezekiah to do? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



### Read II Kings 18:17-37

True/False

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. The king of Assyria sent his army and officers to Jerusalem (**Judah**) to see King Hezekiah.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Eliakim, Shebna and Joah wanted these officers to speak to them in their own Hebrew language.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. These Assyrian officers were boasting and making fun of the men of **Judah** for following God. (See verse 28-29)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. These men said that the Lord would not deliver **Judah**.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. They reminded the men of Jerusalem that God had not delivered Samaria (**Israel**) from the king of Assyria.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. Eliakim, Shebna and Joah were happy to bring this message to King Hezekiah.



### Read II Kings 19:1-7

Check the correct answer:

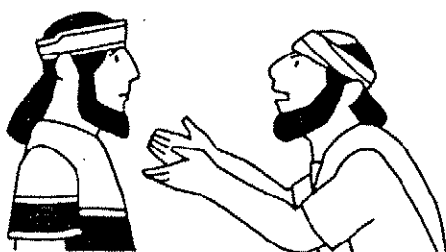
1. When Hezekiah heard what these officers had said, he  
\_\_\_\_\_ was happy.  
\_\_\_\_\_ tore his clothes to show his sorrow.
2. King Hezekiah sent his servants to  
\_\_\_\_\_ get help from Isaiah, the prophet.  
\_\_\_\_\_ get help from Egypt.
3. They told Isaiah, the prophet, that these Assyrian officers had  
\_\_\_\_\_ spoken bad things against God.  
\_\_\_\_\_ said they wanted God to be their God.
4. The prophet, Isaiah, told Hezekiah's servants  
\_\_\_\_\_ that they should prepare the army.  
\_\_\_\_\_ not to be afraid of the words of the king of Assyria.
5. Isaiah said that God would  
\_\_\_\_\_ help the men of **Judah** win a battle against Assyria.  
\_\_\_\_\_ cause the king of Assyria to be killed in his own land.



**Read II Kings 19:32-37**

Check the things that Isaiah said about the king of Assyria:

- \_\_\_\_\_ He would not come into the city, (Jerusalem).
- \_\_\_\_\_ He would not shoot an arrow there.
- \_\_\_\_\_ He would steal all the treasures of the temple.
- \_\_\_\_\_ He would build a siege mound around the city.
- \_\_\_\_\_ He would go back the way he came.



Describe what actually happened to the army of the king of Assyria. Did Isaiah's predictions come true?

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**Read II Kings 20:1-11**

1. What was Hezekiah's condition at this time? \_\_\_\_\_
2. What was Isaiah's message to Hezekiah? \_\_\_\_\_
3. What was Hezekiah's response? \_\_\_\_\_
4. How did Hezekiah say he had lived before God? \_\_\_\_\_
5. What message did Isaiah receive before he left the city? \_\_\_\_\_
6. How much longer would Hezekiah live? \_\_\_\_\_
7. What else did God promise Hezekiah at this time? \_\_\_\_\_
8. What was the sign given to Hezekiah that he would be healed? \_\_\_\_\_





**Read II Kings 20:12-29**



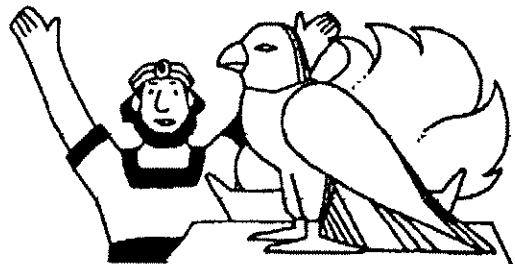
Number these sentences in the correct order:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Isaiah asked Hezekiah who these men were and what Hezekiah had shown them.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Hezekiah showed these men all of his treasures.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Isaiah told Hezekiah that one day everything in his house and some of his sons would be taken to Babylon.
- \_\_\_\_\_ The son of the king of Babylon came to visit Hezekiah.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Hezekiah was glad that there would be peace while he was king.



**Read II Kings 20:20 - 21:18**

*Hezekiah did live fifteen more years, but then he died. When he died, his son Manasseh became king when he was twelve years old.*



*Check the things that Manasseh did during his reign:*

- \_\_\_\_\_ He did evil like the nations which the Lord had driven out of the land.
- \_\_\_\_\_ He rebuilt the high places his father had torn down.
- \_\_\_\_\_ He made altars for Baal.
- \_\_\_\_\_ He made wooden images like Ahab had done.
- \_\_\_\_\_ He made the people serve God.
- \_\_\_\_\_ He offered his own children as sacrifices.
- \_\_\_\_\_ He put idols in the house of God.
- \_\_\_\_\_ He encouraged the people to do more evil than the nations God had driven out of the land.
- \_\_\_\_\_ He finally returned to God.
- \_\_\_\_\_ He shed much blood.

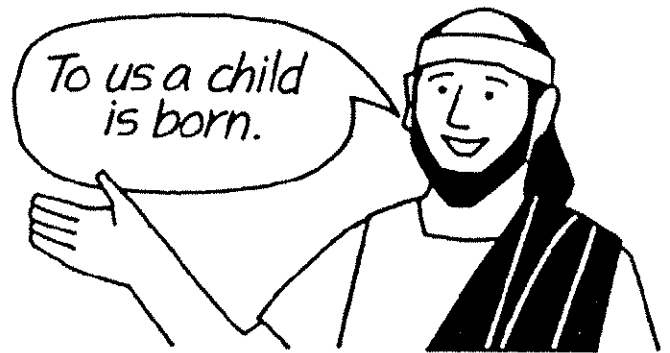
Check the things which God said he would do to **Judah**:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Wipe Jerusalem as one wipes a dish.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Deliver them into the hand of their enemies.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Protect my people.

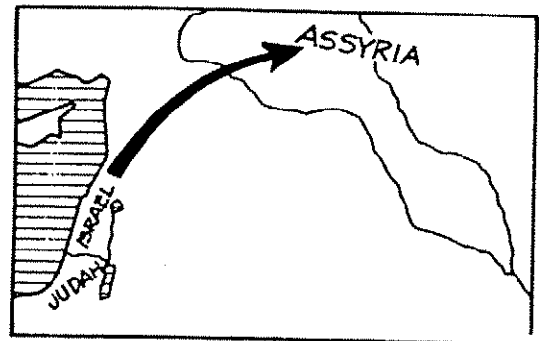
## Lesson 10

# Isaiah and Micah Bring God's Messages

II Kings 21  
Isaiah, Micah, Nahum



**Isaiah** lived during the time when the northern kingdom of **Israel** was captured by the Assyrians. He saw God's protection of **Judah**, the southern kingdom, from the Assyrians during the reign of Hezekiah, but he knew **Judah** would someday fall to the Babylonians. He did for **Judah** what Joel, Hosea and Amos did for **Israel**. His ministry lasted about forty years. **Isaiah** also speaks of the coming Saviour.

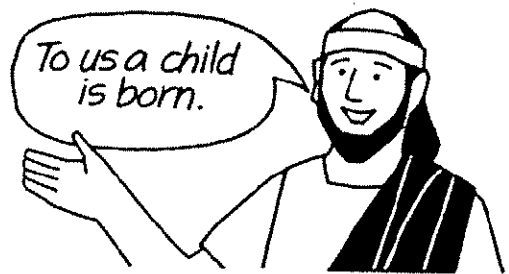


**Read Isaiah 1:1 and 6:8**

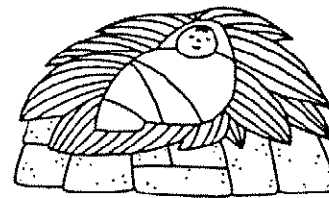


1. During the reigns of which kings of **Judah** did Isaiah prophesy?  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. Who were the visions of Isaiah about? \_\_\_\_\_
3. When God needed someone to take His message to His people, how did Isaiah respond? \_\_\_\_\_
4. Was Isaiah going to speak to people who wanted to hear his message? Why? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Isaiah** is best known for his prophecies about the coming of Jesus many years later. These are called **Messianic** prophecies because they are about the Messiah, or the Christ. In the midst of his prophecies of judgment for Judah and Israel, it is comforting to hear of the hope of the Christ.

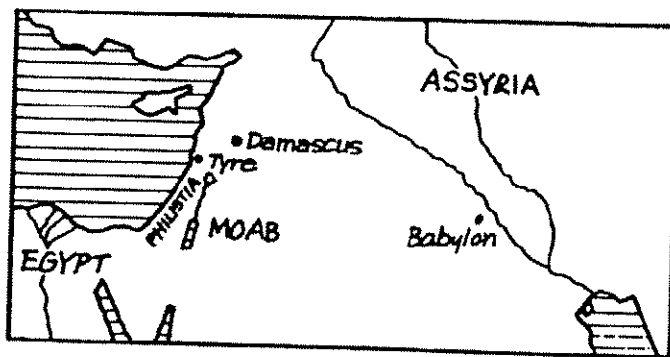


**Read the following verses from Isaiah and match the description on the right:**



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| 1. Isaiah 2:1-4  | _____ | Christ would be powerful over death.                                       |
| 2. Isaiah 7:14   | _____ | Christ would be born of a virgin.  |
| 3. Isaiah 9:6-7  | _____ | Christ would be called the Prince of Peace and sit on David's throne.      |
| 4. Isaiah 53:1-5 | _____ | Christ would come from the family of Jesse.                                |
| 5. Isaiah 25:8   | _____ | The Lord's house (the church) would be established during the latter days. |
| 6. Isaiah 11:1   | _____ | Christ would be wounded for our transgressions.                            |

**Isaiah** also spoke judgments against the other nations who were the enemies of Israel. Look at the beginning of Isaiah chapters 13-23 and see how many names of nations you can find on this map. Circle the names on the map.



Another prophet during this time was **Micah**. He prophesied to **Judah** during the reigns of Jotham, Ahaz and Hezekiah, kings of **Judah**. Micah spoke about Samaria, the capitol of **Israel** and Jerusalem, the capitol of **Judah**. But his message was directed especially to **Judah**. God's message through all of His prophets is the same message - of sin, destruction, exile, restoration and the coming of a Saviour to save the world.



The Lord has a case against His people.



**Read the following verses and match them to the descriptions and pictures.**

1. Micah 5:2

2. Micah 3:12

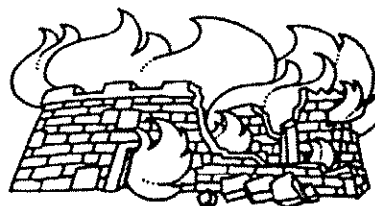
3. Micah 4:6-7

4. Micah 6:8

5. Micah 7:14-20



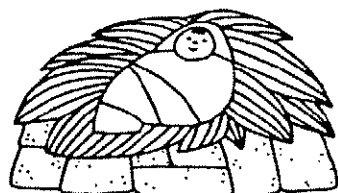
One day, the people would return and live in their land again.



Jerusalem would be destroyed.



God wants His people to live righteously.



The Messiah would be born in Bethlehem.



Even though God had punished them, he would forgive them and be their Shepherd again.

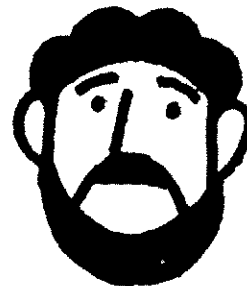


**Read II Kings 21:19-26**

Fill in the blanks with the missing words:

1. After Manasseh died, his son \_\_\_\_\_ became king of **Judah**.
2. Amon did what was \_\_\_\_\_ in the sight of the Lord.
3. Amon worshipped all the \_\_\_\_\_ that his father, Manasseh, had worshipped.
4. The servants of Amon \_\_\_\_\_ against him and killed him.
5. His son, \_\_\_\_\_, became king in his place.

During this time another prophet, **Nahum**, was bringing God's message to Nineveh, a great city in the Assyrian Empire. Jonah had preached to Nineveh many years before, but they had forgotten his warnings. Nahum warned that Nineveh would be destroyed because of its wickedness. He also told of God's justice and love.



**Read the following verses and match the verses with Nahum's descriptions of God and his judgment against Nineveh:**

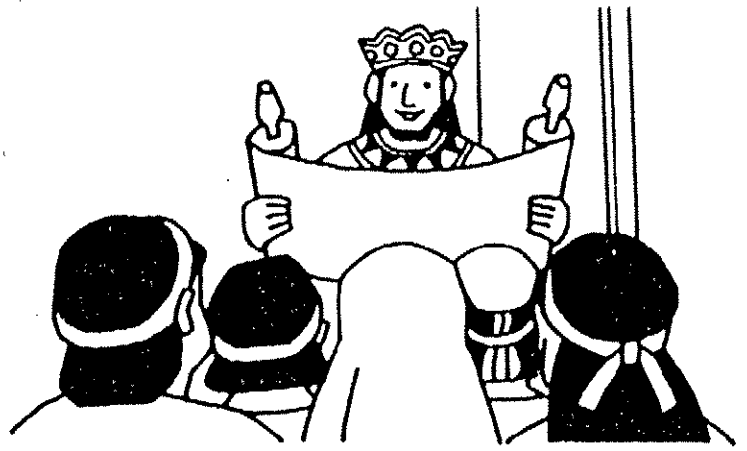
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| 1. Nahum 1:2  | _____ | The Lord is slow to anger.               |
| 2. Nahum 1:3  | _____ | The Lord is good.                        |
| 3. Nahum 1:7  | _____ | The Lord takes vengeance on his enemies. |
| 4. Nahum 1:14 | _____ | The Lord is jealous.                     |
| 5. Nahum 2:13 | _____ | The Lord is great in power.              |
|               | _____ | The Lord will burn their chariots.       |
|               | _____ | The Lord will destroy their idols.       |



## Lesson 11

# King Josiah Reads God's Word

II Kings 22-23  
Habakkuk, Zephaniah



**Read II Kings 22:1-20**

1. How old was Josiah when he became king? \_\_\_\_\_
2. How many years was he king of **Judah**? \_\_\_\_\_
3. What kind of king was Josiah? How good? \_\_\_\_\_
4. What kind of work was going on in the house of the Lord? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
5. What did Hilkiah, the high priest, find in the house of the Lord? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
6. When Shaphan, the scribe, read the book to Josiah, how did the king react? \_\_\_\_\_
7. Why was Josiah so upset when he heard the words in the book of the law? \_\_\_\_\_
8. What was the message of God that Huldah, the prophetess, spoke to Josiah's messengers concerning the nation of **Judah**? (See verses 16-17) \_\_\_\_\_
9. What was the good news concerning King Josiah? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
10. Why would King Josiah be spared from seeing the destruction that would come upon **Judah**? \_\_\_\_\_



### **Read II Kings 23:1-20**

Check the things that King Josiah did to return the nation of **Judah** to serving the true God:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Gathered all the elders of **Judah** together.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Read the Book of the Covenant to all the people.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Made a covenant with God to keep all the commands that were written in the book.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Burned all the articles that had been made for worshipping Baal and Asherah and any other idols.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Removed all the idolatrous priests who had been burning incense to the idols.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Allowed these priests to go and set up their worship in another town.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Burned the wooden images.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Removed the horses and burned the chariots that were dedicated to the sun.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Tore down the high places which Solomon had built.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Removed the altar and high place which Jeroboam had built at Bethel in **Israel**.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Buried the bones of the men who had worshipped idols.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Did not destroy the idols in the land of **Israel** because he was not king over that nation.



### **Read II Kings 23:21-25**

Fill in the blanks with the correct words:

1. The king commanded the people to keep the \_\_\_\_\_.
2. The Passover was a reminder of when the Israelites had been delivered from \_\_\_\_\_.
3. The Passover had not been observed since the days of the \_\_\_\_\_.
4. The Passover was held in the \_\_\_\_\_ year of King Josiah.
5. There had not been any other king as good as \_\_\_\_\_.

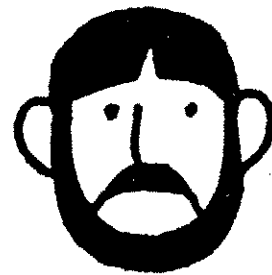


### Read II Kings 23:28-30

Match the names on the left with their correct descriptions:

1. Josiah \_\_\_\_\_ The king of Egypt who killed Josiah.
2. Pharoah Necho \_\_\_\_\_ One of the best kings of **Judah**.
3. Jehoahaz \_\_\_\_\_ Josiah's son who became king.

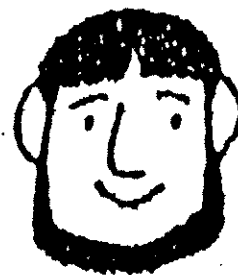
**Habakkuk** was another prophet of **Judah** near the end of Josiah's reign. The Northern Kingdom of **Israel** had already been destroyed by Assyria. Then Assyria had fallen, just as Nahum had prophesied. Now the Southern Kingdom of **Judah** is being threatened by the strong but evil nation of the Babylonians. Habakkuk asks God two questions and God answers.



Read the following verses and check the correct answer:

1. Habakkuk's first question: (1:1-4)
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Why is righteous **Judah** being punished?
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Why is **Judah's** wickedness going unpunished?
2. God's answer: (1:5-11)
  - \_\_\_\_\_ God is sending a terrible and powerful nation against **Judah**.
  - \_\_\_\_\_ **Judah** has done nothing wrong.
3. Habakkuk's second question: (1:12-2:1)
  - \_\_\_\_\_ How could God use such a wicked nation to punish **Judah**, who was more righteous?
  - \_\_\_\_\_ How could God allow **Judah** to escape the punishment of the Babylonians?
4. God's answer: (2:2-20)
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Babylon is just too powerful for God to control them.
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Babylon will be punished, too, for it's wickedness.

Another prophet who prophesied in **Judah** during the reign of Josiah was **Zephaniah**. He was most likely responsible for the revival during Josiah's reign. The people of **Judah** had been doing many wicked things and Josiah wanted them to return to serving God. **Zephaniah** writes about the **DAY OF THE LORD**, which will be a time of God's judgment on the nation of **Judah** as well as the other evil people around **Judah**. He also speaks of a time when a few people of **Judah** will return from their captivity.



*Read the following verses and match the correct statements:*

- |                   |       |  |
|-------------------|-------|--|
| 1. Zephaniah 1:7  | _____ | Money will not be able to help you in the <b>Day of the Lord</b> .                   |
| 2. Zephaniah 1:8  | _____ | The <b>Day of the Lord</b> will be a day of mourning.                                |
| 3. Zephaniah 1:10 | _____ | God will remove the proud and the haughty in the <b>Day of the Lord</b> .            |
| 4. Zephaniah 1:14 | _____ | The <b>Day of the Lord</b> is at hand and God has prepared a sacrifice.              |
| 5. Zephaniah 1:18 | _____ | The righteous might be spared on the <b>Day of the Lord</b> , if they seek the Lord. |
| 6. Zephaniah 2:3  | _____ | The princes and kings will be punished in the <b>Day of the Lord</b> .               |
| 7. Zephaniah 3:11 | _____ | Even the mighty men will cry out in the <b>Day of the Lord</b> .                     |

Reviewing  
***The Kings and Prophets  
Of The Divided Kingdom***

Fill in the blanks with the correct names:

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. I was the son of Solomon who became the first king of the divided kingdom.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. I was the first king of the Northern Kingdom of Israel.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. I set up golden calves in Dan and Bethel so my people would not have to go all the way to Jerusalem to worship.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. I was the most wicked king that ruled in Israel.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. I had a vineyard and Ahab had me killed so he could have it.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. I was a prophet who was fed by ravens.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. I was the wife of Ahab.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8. I took the place of Elijah when he was taken up into heaven.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 9. I was one of the good kings of Judah who prayed to God and he added 15 years to my life.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 10. I was hidden from my evil grandmother and became king when I was 8 years old.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 11. I was probably the best king of Judah.

## ***Reviewing The Prophets of the Divided Kingdom***

Match the name of the prophet with the correct description on the right:

- |              |       |  |
|--------------|-------|--|
| 1. Hosea     | _____ | Prophet to <b>Judah</b> . Spoke to the people about a terrible attack of locusts.  |
| 2. Joel      | _____ | Prophet to <b>Israel</b> . His children were named warnings to Israel.   |
| 3. Amos      | _____ | Prophet to <b>Nineveh</b> . When God sent him to Nineveh, he tried to run away.  |
| 4. Jonah     | _____ | Prophet to <b>Nineveh</b> . He spoke to Nineveh many years after they had forgotten Jonah's warnings.  |
| 5. Micah     | _____ | Prophet to <b>Israel</b> . A herdsman prophet.   |
| 6. Nahum     | _____ | Prophet to <b>Judah</b> . He asked God two questions and God answered him.   |
| 7. Habakkuk  | _____ | Prophet to <b>Judah</b> . He spoke of the Day of the Lord.   |
| 8. Zephaniah | _____ | Prophet to <b>Judah</b> . When God needed someone to take his message, he said, "Here am I, send me."  |
| 9. Isaiah    | _____ | Prophet to <b>Judah</b> . Prophesied during the time of Isaiah. His message was about the destruction of Judah, but also about its return and the coming of the Saviour. |

## Reviewing The Meaning

Match the words with their correct meaning, then number the pictures according to their descriptions:

1. prophets

2. sacrifice

3. oil

4. stone

5. seal

6. leprosy

\_\_\_\_\_ A name used for several serious skin diseases.

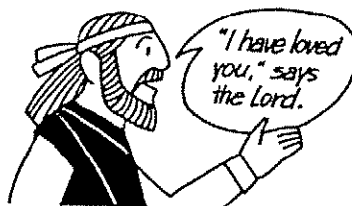
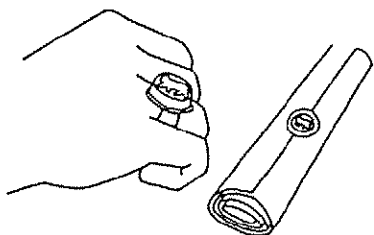
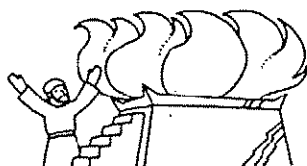
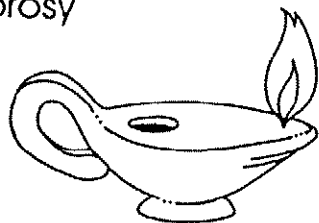
\_\_\_\_\_ A small tool or ring that had a design cut into one side.

\_\_\_\_\_ To throw large stones and rocks at a person until he or she is dead.

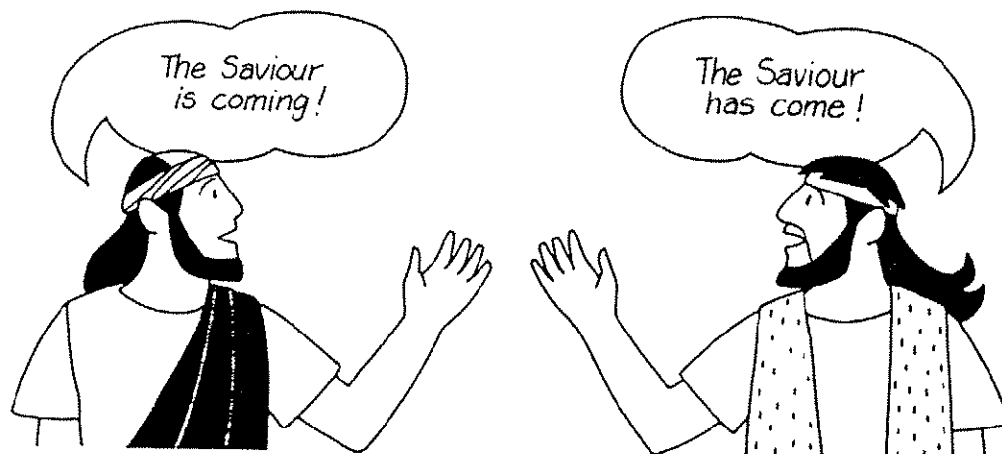
\_\_\_\_\_ Men and women in the Old and New Testaments chosen by God to tell His messages to people.

\_\_\_\_\_ Usually from olives, it was used for fuel for lamps, as a medicine for wounds and as a hair dressing and skin softener.

\_\_\_\_\_ A gift or offering given to God. Usually involving the killing of an animal.



## ONE GREAT PROMISE



*The Old Testament*

*The New Testament*

*Isaiah 7:14; 9:6*

*Isaiah 11:1*

*Isaiah 53*

*Isaiah 25:8*

*Isaiah 11:3-16; 32:1*

*Jeremiah 31:31-34*

*Jeremiah 23*

*Daniel 7:13-14*

*Hosea 11:1*

*Joel 2:28-32*

*Matthew 12:40,41*

*Micah 5:2*