Give Us A King



A Harmony of Samuel, Kings, and Chronicles

Part 2

1-2 Kings and 2 Chronicles

Survey of 1 Kings

United Kingdom			Divided Kingdom				
1:1-11:43			12:1 - 22:53				
Establishment of Solomon	Rise of Solomon	Decline of Solomon	Division of the Kingdom	Reign of Various Kings	Reign of Ahab Elijah		
Solomon		8 Kings (Israel) / 4 Kings (Judah)					
Kingdom in Tranquility			Kingdom in Turmoil				
Jerusalem			Samaria: Capital of Israel				
Capital of United Kingdom			Jerusalem: Capital of Judah				
c. 40 years			c. 78 years				

Where Are We Among the Kings?

The Southern Kings of Judah	The Northern Kings of Israel
1. Rehoboam (930 - 913 B.C.)	1. Jeroboam (930 - 909 B.C.)
2. Abijam/Abijah (913 - 910 B.C.)	2. Nadab (909 - 908 B.C.)
3. Asa (910 - 869 B.C.)	3. Baasha (908 - 886 B.C.)
4. Jehoshaphat (872 - 848 B.C.)	4. Elah (886 - 885 B.C.)
	5. Zimri (885 B.C.)
	6. Omri (885 - 874 B.C.)
	7. Ahab (874 - 853 B.C.)

Good Kings and Bad Kings in Judah (in 1 Kings)

Bad Father	Bad Father	Good Father	Good Father
Rehoboam	Abijam	Asa	
Bad Son	Good Son	Good Son	Bad Son
Abijam	Asa	Jehoshaphat	

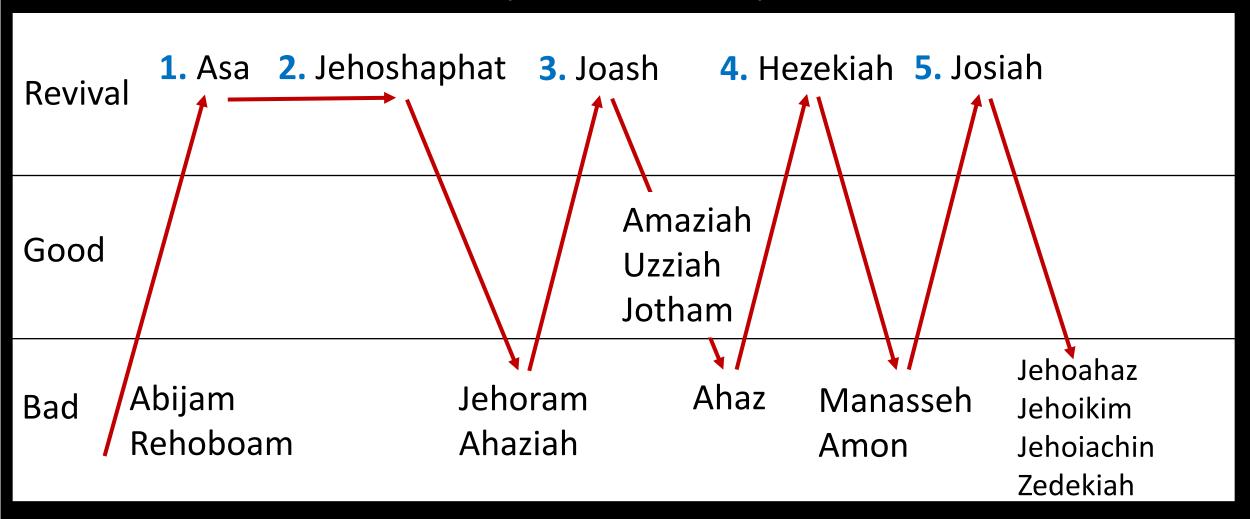
Obedience and Disobedience in Judah

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Rehoboam and Abijam two unrighteous but occasionally obedient kings

Asa and Jehoshaphat two righteous but occasionally disobedient kings

The Five Reformers in Judah (2 Chronicles)



Men of God and Their Message

Prophet	Audience	Message	Reference
Micaiah	Ahab / Jehoshaphat	Go up and prosper / I saw Israel scattered as sheep with no shepherd (Ahab will die)	1 Kings 22:13-28 2 Chronicles 18:12-27
Jahaziel	Jehoshaphat / all Judah	Fear not, stand and see the salvation of the Lord, the Lord is with you (against Moab and Ammon)	2 Chronicles 20:14-19

- 1. We can do many "right" things for the Lord, but one wrong thing will still cause problems in our life (1 K. 22:43; Acts 8:18-24).
- 2. Follow the commandments of God, not the people around you (2 Chron. 17:3-4; 1 Jn. 3:22).

- 3. Let our hearts be "lifted up in the ways of Jehovah" (took delight in the ways of the Lord, NKJV) and encouraged as with go through life (2 Chron. 17:6; Rom. 7:22).
- 4. God's people need to be taught the law of the Lord (2 Chron. 17:7-9; 2 Tim. 2:2).

- 5. Let us willingly offer ourselves unto the Lord to serve in his army and to be prepared for war (2 Chron. 17:16, 18; 2 Tim. 2:3-4).
- 6. Cry out to the Lord for help in time of need (2 Chron. 18:31; Psa. 40:17; Heb. 4:16).
- 7. We should never help the wicked and love them that hate the Lord (2 Chron. 19:2; Psa. 97:10).

- 11. Seek the Lord for help in times of trouble and pray to him with the whole family (2 Chron. 20:1-13; lsa. 55:6).
- 12. Do not fear, the Lord is on the side of the faithful (2 Chron. 20:14-19; Rev. 2:10).
- 13. Spiritual security and prosperity comes when we believe in the Lord and his prophets (2 Chron. 20:20; Josh. 1:8; Psa. 1:1-3).

- 14. Always thank the Lord and praise him for your blessings (2 Chron. 20:24-28; Psa. 92:1).
- 15. God gives his people rest and peace (2 Chron. 20:30; Isa. 32:18).

16. Jehoshaphat joined himself to wicked Ahab and his wicked son Ahaziah. God's people who are good should never join themselves to God's people who are evil (1 K. 22:44; 2 Chron. 19:1-3; 20:35-37; 2 Cor. 6:14 – 7:1; Rom. 12:1; Jas. 4:4; 1 Jn. 2:15).