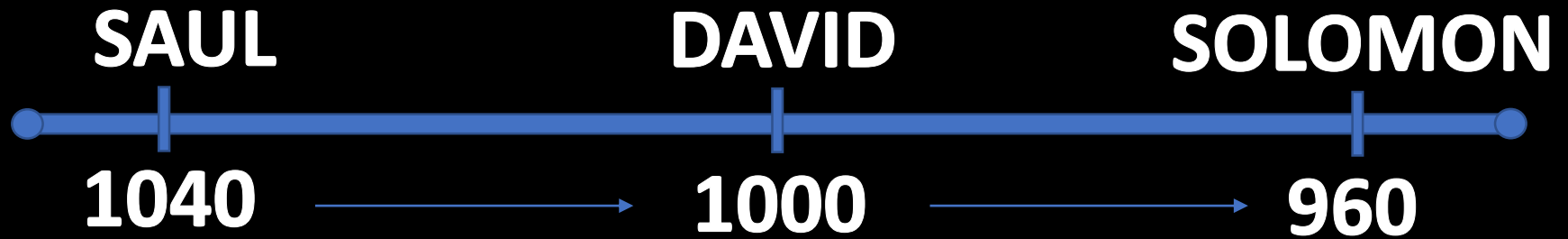


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Saul, David, Solomon

Jeroboam

DIVIDED KINGDOM

Rehoboam

SOLOMON'S FAILURE

1 KINGS 11:11-13

So the Lord said to Solomon, “Because have done this, and you have not kept My covenant and My statutes, which I have commanded you, I will surely tear the kingdom from you, and will give it to your servant.

SOLOMON'S FAILURE

1 KINGS 11:11-13

12 Nevertheless I will not do it in your days for the sake of your father David, but I will tear it out of the hand of your son. 13 However, I will not tear away all the kingdom, but I will give one tribe to your son for the sake of My servant David and for the sake of Jerusalem which I have chosen.”

SOLOMON'S DEATH

1 KINGS 11:41-43

Now the rest of the acts of Solomon and whatever he did, and his wisdom, are they not written in the book of the acts of Solomon? 42 Thus the time that Solomon reigned in Jerusalem over all Israel was forty years. 43 And Solomon slept with his fathers and was buried in the city of his father David, and his son Rehoboam reigned in his place.

2 NEW CHARACTERS

1. Rehoboam

- **Son of Solomon**
- **Approved by Judah to succeed Solomon as King**
- **Lacked the wisdom his father had**

2 NEW CHARACTERS

2. Jeroboam

- **Was appointed as foreman of building projects by King Solomon**
- **Was told by God through Ahijah The Prophet he would be King**
- **Solomon learned of the prophecy and tried to have Jeroboam killed**
- **Led the rebellion of 10 Northern tribes and became their first King**

REHOBOAM'S FOOLISHNESS

1 KINGS 12:1-15

Then Rehoboam went to Shechem, for all Israel had come to Shechem to make him king. 2 Now when Jeroboam the son of Nebat heard of it, he was living in Egypt (for he was yet in Egypt, where he had fled from the presence of King Solomon).

REHOBOAM'S FOOLISHNESS

1 KINGS 12:1-15

3 Then they sent and called him, and Jeroboam and all the assembly of Israel came and spoke to Rehoboam, saying, 4 “Your father made our yoke hard; now therefore lighten the hard service of your father and his heavy yoke which he put on us, and we will serve you.”

REHOBOAM'S FOOLISHNESS

1 KINGS 12:1-15

5 Then he said to them, “Depart for three days, then return to me.” So the people departed. 6 King Rehoboam consulted with the elders who had served his father Solomon while he was still alive, saying, “How do you counsel me to answer this people?”

REHOBOAM'S FOOLISHNESS

1 KINGS 12:1-15

7 Then they spoke to him, saying, “If you will be a servant to this people today, and will serve them and grant them their petition, and speak good words to them, then they will be your servants forever.” **8** But he forsook the counsel of the elders which they had given him, and consulted with the young men who grew up with him and served him.

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JEROBOAM'S FOOLISHNESS

1 KINGS 12:25-33

Then Jeroboam built Shechem in the hill country of Ephraim, and lived there. And he went out from there and built Penuel. 26 Jeroboam said in his heart, “Now the kingdom will return to the house of David.

JEROBOAM'S FOOLISHNESS

1 KINGS 12:25-33

27 If this people go up to offer sacrifices in the house of the Lord at Jerusalem, then the heart of this people will return to their lord, even to Rehoboam king of Judah; and they will kill me and return to Rehoboam king of Judah.”

JEROBOAM'S FOOLISHNESS

1 KINGS 12:25-33

28 So the king consulted, and made two golden calves, and he said to them, "It is too much for you to go up to Jerusalem; behold your gods, O Israel, that brought you up from the land of Egypt." 29 He set one in Bethel, and the other he put in Dan. 30 Now this thing became a sin, for the people went to worship before the one as far as Dan.

JEROBOAM'S FOOLISHNESS

1 KINGS 12:25-33

31 And he made houses on high places, and made priests from among all the people who were not of the sons of Levi. 32 Jeroboam instituted a feast in the eighth month on the fifteenth day of the month, like the feast which is in Judah, and he went up to the altar; thus he did in Bethel, sacrificing to the calves which he had made. And he stationed in Bethel the priests of the high places which he had made.

JEROBOAM'S FOOLISHNESS

1 KINGS 12:25-33

33 Then he went up to the altar which he had made in Bethel on the fifteenth day in the eighth month, even in the month which he had devised in his own heart; and he instituted a feast for the sons of Israel and went up to the altar to burn incense.

JEROBOAM'S FAILURE

1 KINGS 13:33-34

After this event Jeroboam did not return from his evil way, but again he made priests of the high places from among all the people; any who would, he ordained, to be priests of the high places. 34 This event became sin to the house of Jeroboam, even to blot it out and destroy it from off the face of the earth.

Saul **David** **Solomon**

Jeroboam

NORTH - 19 KINGS

SOUTH - 20 KINGS

Rehoboam