

Israel Is Divided



Jeroboam

(Solomon's servant)
King of the northern
kingdom of Israel



Rehoboam

(Solomon's son)
King of the southern
kingdom of Judah



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Lesson Focus

Solomon disobeyed God's commands and let his many wives turn him to idolatry. As punishment, God said that his kingdom would be torn away. This happened when Solomon's son Rehoboam lost the kingdom to Jeroboam. The nation was divided into the northern kingdom of Israel and the southern kingdom of Judah.

Key Passages

Grades 2–3: Deuteronomy 17:16–17; 1 Kings 11:1–4, 11:11–13, 12:13–15, 12:24

Grades 4–5: Deuteronomy 17:15–17; 1 Kings 11:1–4, 11:11–13, 12:13–15, 12:20–21, 12:24

What You Heard in the Word

- God became angry with Solomon when Solomon collected wealth for selfish gain and married many wives who led him to the worship of false gods.
- God judged Solomon's sin by dividing the kingdom. The northern kingdom of Israel was ruled by Solomon's servant Jeroboam, and the smaller southern kingdom of Judah was ruled by Solomon's son Rehoboam.