

Long Live the King! Until...God Kills Them! 2 Kings Chapters 8-13

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[1Sa 10:24 ESV] 24 And Samuel said to all the people, "Do you see him whom the LORD has chosen? (Saul) There is none like him among all the people." And all the people shouted, "Long live the king!"

[2Sa 16:16 ESV] 16 And when Hushai the Archite, David's friend, came to Absalom, **Hushai said to Absalom**, **"Long live the king! Long live the king!"**

<u>2Ki 11:12</u> Then he brought out the king's son and put the crown on him and gave him the testimony. And they proclaimed him king (Joash) and anointed him, and they clapped their hands and said, <u>"Long live the king!"</u> (Elishas time, the only Queen Ahabs gdaughter and Evil, was overthrown and executed and Jehoash installed by the Priest!))

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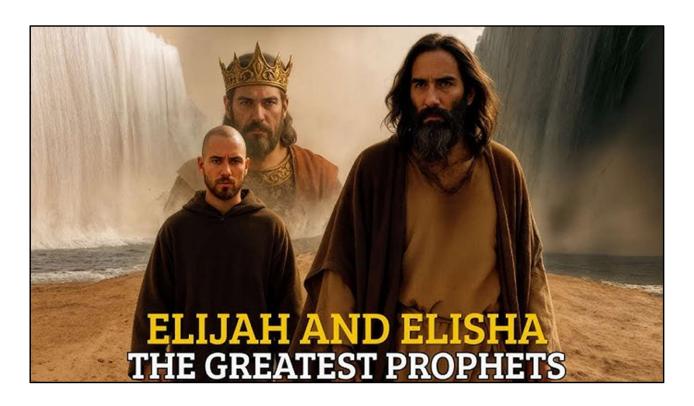
[1Ki 1:25, 34, 39 ESV] 25 For he has gone down this day and has sacrificed oxen, fattened cattle, and sheep in abundance, and has invited all the king's sons, the commanders of the army, and Abiathar the priest. And behold, they are eating and drinking before him, and saying, 'Long live King Adonijah!' ... 34 And let Zadok the priest and Nathan the prophet there anoint him king over Israel. Then blow the trumpet and say, 'Long live King Solomon!' ... 39 There Zadok the priest took the horn of oil from the tent and anointed Solomon. Then they blew the trumpet, and all the people said, "Long live King Solomon!"

2 of the kings were Davids rebel sons who were killed! Absalom and Adonijah

The Battle of Evil and Good, Ahab (Baal) and Yahweh! Heads Roll! [2Ki 10:1, 4, 7, 10-11, 13-14, 17, 19, 21, 23-24, 26-32, 36 ESV] 1 Now Ahab had seventy sons in Samaria. So Jehu wrote letters and sent them to Samaria, to the rulers of the city, to the elders, and to the guardians of the sons of Ahab, saying, ... 4 But they were exceedingly afraid and said, "Behold, the two kings could not stand before him. How then can we stand?" ... 7 And as soon as the letter came to them, they took the king's sons and slaughtered them, seventy persons, and put their heads in baskets and sent them to him at Jezreel. ... 10 Know then that there shall fall to the earth nothing of the word of the LORD, which the LORD spoke concerning the house of Ahab, for the LORD has done what he said by his servant Elijah." 11 So Jehu struck down all who remained of the house of Ahab in Jezreel, all his great men and his close friends and his priests, until he left him none remaining. ... 13 Jehu met the relatives of Ahaziah king of Judah, and he said, "Who are you?" And they answered, "We are the relatives of Ahaziah, and we came down to visit the royal princes and the sons of the gueen mother." 14 He said, "Take them alive." And they took them alive and slaughtered them at the pit of Beth-eked, forty-two persons, and he spared none of them. ... 17 And when he came to Samaria, he struck down all who remained to Ahab in Samaria, till he had wiped them out, according to the word of the LORD that he spoke to Elijah. ... 19 Now therefore call to me all the prophets of Baal, all his worshipers and all his priests. Let none be missing, for I have a great sacrifice to offer to Baal. Whoever is missing shall not live." But Jehu did it with cunning in order to destroy the worshipers of Baal. ... 21 And Jehu sent throughout all Israel, and all the worshipers of Baal came, so that there was not a man left who did not come. And they entered the house of Baal, and the house of Baal was filled from one end to the other. ... 23 Then Jehu went into the house of Baal with Jehonadab the son of Rechab, and he said to the worshipers of Baal, "Search, and see that there is no servant of the LORD here among you, but only the worshipers of Baal." 24 Then they went in to offer sacrifices and burnt offerings. Now Jehu had stationed eighty men outside and said, "The man who allows any of those whom I give into your hands to escape shall forfeit his life." ... 26 and they brought out the pillar that was in the house of Baal and burned it. 27 And they demolished the pillar of Baal, and demolished the house of Baal, and made it a latrine to this day. 28 Thus Jehu wiped out Baal from Israel. 29 But Jehu did not turn aside from the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat.

which he made Israel to sin--that is, the golden calves that were in Bethel and in Dan. 30 And the LORD said to Jehu, "Because you have done well in carrying out what is right in my eyes, and have done to the house of Ahab according to all that was in my heart, your sons of the fourth generation shall sit on the throne of Israel." 31 But Jehu was not careful to walk in the law of the LORD, the God of Israel, with all his heart. He did not turn from the sins of Jeroboam, which he made Israel to sin. 32 In those days the LORD began to cut off parts of Israel. Hazael defeated them throughout the territory of Israel: ... 36 The time that Jehu reigned over Israel in Samaria was twenty-eight years.

[2Ki 11:1-4, 9-10, 12-18, 20-21 ESV] 1 Now when Athaliah the mother of Ahaziah saw that her son was dead, she arose and destroyed all the royal family. 2 But Jehosheba, the daughter of King Joram, sister of Ahaziah, took Joash the son of Ahaziah and stole him away from among the king's sons who were being put to death, and she put him and his nurse in a bedroom. Thus they hid him from Athaliah, so that he was not put to death. 3 And he remained with her six years, hidden in the house of the LORD, while Athaliah reigned over the land. 4 But in the seventh year Jehoiada sent and brought the captains of the Carites and of the guards, and had them come to him in the house of the LORD. And he made a covenant with them and put them under oath in the house of the LORD, and he showed them the king's son. ... 9 The captains did according to all that Jehoiada the priest commanded, and they each brought his men who were to go off duty on the Sabbath, with those who were to come on duty on the Sabbath, and came to Jehoiada the priest. 10 And the priest gave to the captains the spears and shields that had been King David's, which were in the house of the LORD. ... 12 Then he brought out the king's son and put the crown on him and gave him the testimony. And they proclaimed him king and anointed him, and they clapped their hands and said, "Long live the king!" 13 When Athaliah heard the noise of the guard and of the people, she went into the house of the LORD to the people. 14 And when she looked, there was the king standing by the pillar, according to the custom, and the captains and the trumpeters beside the king, and all the people of the land rejoicing and blowing trumpets. And Athaliah tore her clothes and cried, "Treason! Treason!" 15 Then Jehoiada the priest commanded the captains who were set over the army, "Bring her out between the ranks, and put to death with the sword anyone who follows her." For the priest said, "Let her not be put to death in the house of the LORD." 16 So they laid hands on her; and she went through the horses' entrance to the king's house, and there she was put to death. 17 And Jehoiada made a covenant between the LORD and the king and people, that they should be the LORD's people, and also between the king and the people. 18 Then all the people of the land went to the house of Baal and tore it down; his altars and his images they broke in pieces, and they killed Mattan the priest of Baal before the altars. And the priest posted watchmen over the house of the LORD. ... 20 So all the people of the land rejoiced, and the city was guiet after Athaliah had been put to death with the sword at the king's house. 21 Jehoash was seven years old when he began to reign.



Notice the King is in the background. 1&2Kings are more about the Prophets than the kings! God is the one who really rules!

Greatest?

Elijah is Mentioned again in Mal.4, with Jesus and Moses, by Jesus and in Rev? Elijah didn't Die?

Elisha?

Samuel? Daniel? Isaiah? Jeremiah?

Prophets, Priests and Kings!

Odd things in these 6 chapters

Elisha weeping!

2 Kings shot with arrows as they fled in Chariots! 3 if you count Ahab Dogs eating a woman, licking their blood, unrecognizable

Ever Dream of Being Royalty?

- Our Summer was about <u>Elisha</u> but in books of Kings!
- Elisha's story spanned 50-60 years, and 5 Kings!
 Syria too
- Did you know God did not want Kings for His people?

Disney capitalizes on every little girl wanting to be a Princess!!

Ask Diana!

Did it ever occur to you this summer we were learning about A Prophet BUT in the Books of the Kings?

Our Summer was about Elisha but in books of Kings! But who was most prominent in these books? The Prophets or the Kings? Of course, the Prophets were Far more godly!

Actually, often times these books mention Kings BUT NOT their names, While the Prophet is! [2Ki 5:8 ESV] 8 But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent to the king, saying, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come now to me, that he may know that there is a prophet in Israel."

Elisha's ministry continued through the reigns of <u>Jehoram</u>, <u>Jehu</u>, <u>Jehoahaz</u>, and into the reign of <u>Jehoash</u> of Israel. Also <u>Hazael and BenHadad and Ahaziah</u>

Kings come and go, The Prophets endure! Like Daniel who saw 3 opposing Empires (Judah, Babylon, Medes and Persians) fall and 6 kings fall (Daniel was under five different kings: the reign of **Jehoiakim**, king of Judah (Daniel 1:1). Nebuchadnezzar, Evilmerodach, Belshazzar, Darius, and Cyrus.

Wherever there's Power, there has always been those driven by selfishness and greed to seize that power. Ja.4

Remember when Elisha was recruited, the charge? God didn't mention the miracles he would do, but the kings he would depose! the one who escapes from the sword of Hazael shall Jehu put to death, and the one who escapes from the sword of Jehu shall Elisha put to death. 1Ki. 19:16-18

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God named future kings of HIS choosing long before they were born! Like Josiah (300yrs), (Cyrus 100yrs) Jesus (Isa. 600-700) Did people name their kids accordingly, whole bunches of Jehu's? Did Elisha see Jehu as a kid and watch him in amazement?

Princess Diana long regretted the glory and fame of being a Royal! I wonder if Even King David would take a pass if he could do it over again? Jonathan was blessed!

[2Ki 3:4-5, 9-10, 12-13 ESV] 4 Now Mesha king of Moab was a sheep breeder, and he had to deliver to the king of Israel 100,000 lambs and the wool of 100,000 rams. 5 But when **Ahab died**, the king of Moab rebelled against **the king of Israel**. ... 9 So the **king of Israel** went with the king of Judah and the king of Edom. And when they had made a circuitous march of seven days,

there was no water for the army or for the animals that followed them. 10 Then the king of Israel said, "Alas! The LORD has called these three kings to give them into the hand of Moab." ... 12 And Jehoshaphat said, "The word of the LORD is with him." So the king of Israel and Jehoshaphat and the king of Edom went down to him. 13 And Elisha said to the king of Israel, "What have I to do with you? Go to the prophets of your father and to the prophets of your mother." But the king of Israel said to him, "No; it is the LORD who has called these three kings to give them into the hand of Moab." [2Ki 5:5-8 And the king of Syria said, "Go now, and I will send a letter to the king of Israel." So he went, taking with him ten talents of silver, six thousand shekels of gold, and ten changes of clothing. 6 And he brought the letter to the king of Israel, which read, "When this letter reaches you, know that I have sent to you Naaman my servant, that you may cure him of his leprosy." 7 And when the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to kill and to make alive, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Only consider, and see how he is seeking a quarrel with me." 8 But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent to the king, saying, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come now to me, that he may know that there is a prophet in Israel." [2Ki 6:9-12, 21, 26 ESV] 9 But the man of God sent word to the king of Israel, "Beware that you do not pass this place, for the Syrians are going down there." 10 And the king of Israel sent to the place about which the man of God told him. Thus he used to warn him, so that he saved himself there more than once or twice. 11 And the mind of the king of Syria was greatly troubled because of this thing, and he called his servants and said to them, "Will you not show me who of us is for the king of Israel?" 12 And one of his servants said, "None, my lord, O king; but Elisha, the prophet who is in Israel, tells the king of Israel the words that you speak in your bedroom." ... 21 As soon as the king of Israel saw them, he said to Elisha, "My father, shall I strike them down? Shall I strike them down?" ... 26 Now as the king of Israel was passing by on the wall, a woman cried out to him, saying, "Help, my lord, O king!"

[2Ki 7:6 ESV] 6 For the Lord had made the army of the Syrians hear the sound of chariots and of horses, the sound of a great army, so that they said to one another, "Behold, **the king of Israel** has hired against us the kings of the Hittites and the kings of Egypt to come against us."

[2Ki 8:16, 25-26 ESV] 16 In the fifth year of Joram the son of Ahab, king of Israel, when Jehoshaphat was king of Judah, Jehoram the son of Jehoshaphat, king of Judah, began to reign. ... 25 In the twelfth year of Joram the son of Ahab, king of Israel, Ahaziah the son of Jehoram, king of Judah, began to reign. 26 Ahaziah was twenty-two years old when he began to

reign, and he reigned one year in Jerusalem. His mother's name was Athaliah; she was a granddaughter of Omri king of Israel.

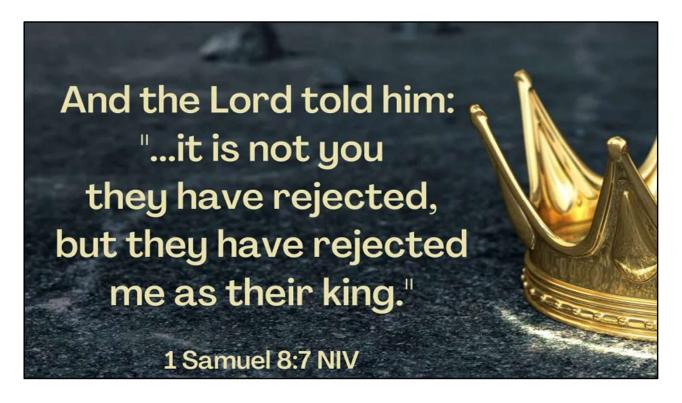
[2Ki 9:21 ESV] 21 Joram said, "Make ready." And they made ready his chariot. Then Joram king of Israel and Ahaziah king of Judah set out, each in his chariot, and went to meet Jehu, and met him at the property of Naboth the Jezreelite.

[2Ki 13:14, 16, 18 ESV] 14 Now when Elisha had fallen sick with the illness of which he was to die, Joash king of Israel went down to him and wept before him, crying, "My father, my father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" ... 16 Then he said to the king of Israel, "Draw the bow," and he drew it. And Elisha laid his hands on the king's hands. ... 18 And he said, "Take the arrows," and he took them. And he said to the king of Israel, "Strike the ground with them." And he struck three times and stopped.

There were 2 King Ahaziahs – 1 in Israel earlier on and this one in Judah/Jerusalem grandson of Omri

Ever Dream of Being Royalty?

- In total, over 40 Kings for Israel & Judah, only 5?
 Good
- · Conspiracies, Assassinations, Coup D'etats, Drama!!!
- "the one who escapes from the sword of <u>Hazael</u> shall <u>Jehu</u> put to death, and the one who escapes from the sword of Jehu <u>shall Elisha put to death</u>."
 - 1 Kings 19:16-18



Be Careful What you ask for!! The Classic text for this truth!

Why would Israel want a human King?

They wanted someone they could see! They lived by sight, not by faith. Which also meant less praying, fasting, seeking God, more direct action, which often were costly ineffective actions (People like to see someone just do something) They wanted someone human like themselves so he would be more tolerant of sin!!

God Himself was Israels 1st king, They rejected Him for human kings Before Human Kings were Prophets and Judges! – Samuel!!

[1Sa 8:1, 3-22 ESV] 1 When Samuel became old, he made his sons judges over Israel. ... 3 Yet his sons did not walk in his ways but turned aside after gain. They took bribes and perverted justice. 4 Then all the elders of Israel gathered together and came to Samuel at Ramah 5 and said to him, "Behold, you are old and your sons do not walk in your ways. Now appoint for us a king to judge us like all the nations." 6 But the thing displeased Samuel when they said, "Give us a king to judge us." And Samuel prayed to the LORD. 7 And the LORD said to Samuel, "Obey the voice of the people in all that they say to you, for they have not rejected you, but they have rejected me from being king over them. 8

According to all the deeds that they have done, from the day I brought them up out of Egypt even to this day, forsaking me and serving other gods, so they are also doing to you. 9 Now then, obey their voice; only you shall solemnly warn them and show them the ways of the king who shall reign over them." 10 So Samuel told all the words of the LORD to the people who were asking for a king from him. 11 He said, "These will be the ways of the king who will reign over you: he will take your sons and appoint them to his chariots and to be his horsemen and to run before his chariots. 12 And he will appoint for himself commanders of thousands and commanders of fifties, and some to plow his ground and to reap his harvest, and to make his implements of war and the equipment of his chariots. 13 He will take your daughters to be perfumers and cooks and bakers. 14 He will take the best of your fields and vineyards and olive orchards and give them to his servants. 15 He will take the tenth of your grain and of your vineyards and give it to his officers and to his servants. 16 He will take your male servants and female servants and the best of your young men and your donkeys, and put them to his work. 17 He will take the tenth of your flocks, and you shall be his slaves. 18 And in that day you will cry out because of your king, whom you have chosen for yourselves, but the LORD will not answer you in that day." 19 But the people refused to obey the voice of Samuel. And they said, "No! But there shall be a king over us, 20 that we also may be like all the nations, and that our king may judge us and go out before us and fight our battles." 21 And when Samuel had heard all the words of the people, he repeated them in the ears of the LORD. 22 And the LORD said to Samuel, "Obey their voice and make them a king." Samuel then said to the men of Israel, "Go every man to his city."

Games of Thrones – It's Hard to Keep Up!

- Notice both the physical and spiritual realms!
- Satan's schemes behind the scenes! Ahab in Judah?!
- Satan's spies on Israels Kings: Jezebel, Athaliah
- Satan uses beauty/lust of the eyes to corrupt us
- God rules over both/All! Syria, Judah, Israel!!!!

There is this dizzying assortment of stories at the end of 2Kings and we tend to get caught up in the Names of men and miss the whispers and puppeteering of Satan and the overruling reign of our Sovereign God!!

[Dan 2:21 ESV] 21 He changes times and seasons; **he removes kings and sets up kings**; he gives wisdom to the wise and knowledge to those who have understanding;

[Jer 27:5-7 ESV] 5 "It is I who by my great power and my outstretched arm have made the earth, with the men and animals that are on the earth, and I give it to whomever it seems right to me. 6 Now I have given all these lands into the hand of Nebuchadnezzar, the king of Babylon, my servant, and I have given him also the beasts of the field to serve him. 7 All the nations shall serve him and his son and his grandson, until the time of his own land comes. Then many nations and great kings shall make him their slave.

[Dan 4:17 ESV] 17 The sentence is by the decree of the watchers, the decision by the word of the holy ones, to the end that the living may know that **the Most High** rules the kingdom of men and gives it to whom he will and sets over it the lowliest of men.'

2ki.8:19 19 Yet the LORD was not willing to destroy Judah, for the sake

of David his servant, since he promised to give a lamp to him and to his sons forever

[1Sa 18:20-21 ESV] 20 Now Saul's daughter <u>Michal loved David</u>. And they told Saul, and the thing pleased him. 21 <u>Saul thought, "Let me give her to him, that she may be a snare for him</u> and that the hand of the Philistines may be against him." Therefore Saul said to David a second time, "You shall now be my son-in-law."

[1Ki 11:1-14 ESV] 1 Now King Solomon loved many foreign women, along with the daughter of Pharaoh: Moabite, Ammonite, Edomite, Sidonian, and Hittite women, 2 from the nations concerning which the LORD had said to the people of Israel, "You shall not enter into marriage with them, neither shall they with you, for surely they will turn away your heart after their gods." Solomon clung to these in love. 3 He had 700 wives, who were princesses, and 300 concubines. And his wives turned away his heart. 4 For when Solomon was old his wives turned away his heart after other gods, and his heart was not wholly true to the LORD his God, as was the heart of David his father. 5 For Solomon went after Ashtoreth the goddess of the Sidonians, and after Milcom the abomination of the Ammonites. 6 So Solomon did what was evil in the sight of the LORD and did not wholly follow the LORD, as David his father had done. 7 Then Solomon built a high place for Chemosh the abomination of Moab, and for Molech the abomination of the Ammonites, on the mountain east of Jerusalem. 8 And so he did for all his foreign wives, who made offerings and sacrificed to their gods. 9 And the LORD was angry with Solomon, because his heart had turned away from the LORD, the God of Israel, who had appeared to him twice 10 and had commanded him concerning this thing, that he should not go after other gods. But he did not keep what the LORD commanded. 11 Therefore the LORD said to Solomon, "Since this has been your practice and you have not kept my covenant and my statutes that I have commanded you, I will surely tear the kingdom from you and will give it to your servant. 12 Yet for the sake of David your father I will not do it in your days, 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 David my servant and for the sake of Jerusalem that I have chosen." 14 And the LORD raised up an adversary against Solomon, Hadad the Edomite. He was of the royal house in Edom.

How do you Interpret Gods longsuffering? Rom.2:3-4 Escape, God forgot OR Inevitability, eat and drink, tomorrow we die. Refuse to repent!

Rom 2:3-7 Do you suppose, O man--you who judge those who practice such things and yet do them yourself--that you will escape the judgment of God? 4

Or do you presume on the riches of his kindness and forbearance and patience, not knowing that God's kindness is meant to lead you to repentance?

5 But because of your hard and impenitent heart you are storing up wrath for yourself on the day of wrath when God's righteous judgment will be revealed. 6 He will render

to each one according to his works: 7 to those who by patience in well-doing seek for glory and honor and immortality, he will give eternal life;

[Gen 6:2 ESV] 2 the sons of God saw that the daughters of man were attractive. And they took as their wives any they chose.

[Neh 13:23, 25-27 ESV] 23 In those days also I saw the Jews who had married women of Ashdod, Ammon, and Moab. ... 25 And I confronted them and cursed them and beat some of them and pulled out their hair. And I made them take an oath in the name of God, saying, "You shall not give your daughters to their sons, or take their daughters for your sons or for yourselves. 26 Did not Solomon king of Israel sin on account of such women? Among the many nations there was no king like him, and he was beloved by his God, and God made him king over all Israel. Nevertheless, foreign women made even him to sin. 27 Shall we then listen to you and do all this great evil and act treacherously against our God by marrying foreign women?" [Pro 2:16 ESV] 16 So you will be delivered from the forbidden woman, from the adulteress with her smooth words,

[Pro 6:24 ESV] 24 to preserve you from the evil woman, from the smooth tongue of the adulteress.

[Pro 7:5 ESV] 5 to keep you from the forbidden woman, from the adulteress with her smooth words.

[2Sa 11:1-4 ESV] 1 In the spring of the year, the time when kings go out to battle, David sent Joab, and his servants with him, and all Israel. And they ravaged the Ammonites and besieged Rabbah. But David remained at Jerusalem. 2 It happened, late one afternoon, when David arose from his couch and was walking on the roof of the king's house, that he saw from the roof a woman bathing; and the woman was very beautiful. 3 And David sent and inquired about the woman. And one said, "Is not this Bathsheba, the daughter of Eliam, the wife of Uriah the Hittite?" 4 So David sent messengers and took her, and she came to him, and he lay with her. (Now she had been purifying herself from her uncleanness.) Then she returned to her house. [1Ki 3:1 ESV] 1 Solomon made a marriage alliance with Pharaoh king of Egypt. He took Pharaoh's daughter and brought her into the city of David until he had finished building his own house and the house of the LORD and the wall around Jerusalem.

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lust of the eyes to corrupt us 1Jn.2:15

[Deu 32:35 ESV] 35 **Vengeance is mine, and recompense**, for the time when their foot shall slip; for the day of their calamity is at hand, and their doom comes swiftly.' [Rom 12:19 ESV] 19 Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." [Heb 10:30 ESV] 30 For we know him who said, "Vengeance is mine; I will repay." And again, "The Lord will judge his people."

Games of Thrones – It's Hard to Keep Up!

- How do you Interpret God's longsuffering?
 - Romans 2:3-4
- Vengeance is Mine I will Repay! Romans 12:19, Hebrews 10:30

Kings of Judah and Israel									
Saul					1050-1010 BC	1			
David				The state of the s	1010-970	1			
				Solomon	970-930	1			
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Judah (and Benjamin)					Israel (Ten Northern Tribes)				
King	Reign		Character	Prophets	King	Reign		Character	Prophets
1. Rehoboam	931-913	17 years	Bad	Shemaiah	1. Jeroboam I	931-910	22 years	Bad	Ahijah
2. Abijah	913-911	3 years	Bad		2. Nadab	910-909	2 years	Bad	
3. Asa	911-870	41 years	Good		3. Baasha	909-886	24 years	Bad	
					4. Elah	886-885	2 years	Bad	
					5. Zimri	885	7 days	Bad	
					6. Omri	885-874*	12 years	Bad	Elijah
4. Jehoshaphat	870-848*	25 years	Good		7. Ahab	874-853	22 years	Bad	Micaiah
5. Jehoram	848-841*	8 years	Bad		8. Ahaziah	853-852	2 years	Bad	
6. Ahaziah	841	1 years	Bad		9. Joram	852-841	12 years	Bad	Elisha
7. Athaliah	841-835	6 years	Bad		10. Jehu	841-814	28 years	Bad	
8. Joash	835-796	40 years	Good	Joel	11. Jehoahaz	814-798	17 years	Bad	Jonah
9. Amaziah	796-767	29 years	Good		12. Jehoash	798-782	16 years	Bad	Amos
10. Uzziah (Azariah)	767-740*	52 years	Good	Isaiah Micah	13. Jeroboam II	782-753*	41 years	Bad	Hosea
11. Jotham	740-732*	16 years	Good		14. Zechariah	753-752	6 mo	Bad	
12. Ahaz	732-716	16 years	Bad		15. Shallum	752	1 mo	Bad	
13. Hezekiah	716-687	29 years	Good		16. Menahem	752-742	10 years	Bad	
14. Manasseh	687-642*	55 years	Bad-repent	Nahum Habakkuk Zephaniah	17. Pekahiah	742-740	2 years	Bad	
15. Amon	642-640	2 years	Bad		18. Pekah	740-732*	20 years	Bad	
16. Josiah	640-608	31 years	Good		19. Hoshea	732-712	9 years	Bad	
17. Jehoahaz	608	3 mo	Bad	Zephanian					
18. Jehoiakim	608-597	11 years	Bad	Daniel					
19. Jehoiachin	597	3 mos	Bad	Ezekiel	722 BC Fall of Isreal / Assyrian Captivity				
20. Zedekiah	597-586	11 years	Bad	Jeremiah					
Destruction of Je	rusalem, 9th	Av. 586 BC	. Babylonian C	aptivity					

3 Kings over United Israel – Saul, David, Solomon

19 Kings of Israel. NO godly Kings, some say Jehu was? Elisha dealt with him and 1 Evil Queen!

20 Kings of Judah – 5-8 good kings, but even the good ones were sinners and brought troubles!

Elijah and Elisha dealt with 12 Kings/queen!

Notice 2 Kings same name Ahaziah, Maybe 2 Jehoshaphats Jehoram and Joram

Joram – son of Ahab! Joash was 7yo and escaped Athaliah the evil queen. 2Chron. 24:1-27

Chart- See Judah on the left, Israel on right. A Kingdom divided BUT 3 kings over United Kingdom at the Top! God blessed the 1st 3 kings increasingly. Then everything went downhill for both kingdoms See list of Prophets during that time

Contrasting statements:

9 times the measure was! "as David his father had done", 8 kings: Solomon, Jeroboam, Abijam, Asa, Ahaz, Hezekiah, Josiah, Jehoshaphat! 4 declared good

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12x 'the sins of Jeroboam', 20x 'made Israel to Sin', 12x in Kings 1&2 'What was evil in the sight of the Lord'!

[1Ki 11:6, 33 ESV] 6 So <u>Solomon</u> did what was evil in the sight of the LORD and did not wholly follow the LORD, <u>as David his father had done</u>. ... (Solomon described as evil, wrote 3 books, an outlier)

Jeroboam. 33 because they have forsaken me and worshiped Ashtoreth the goddess of the Sidonians, Chemosh the god of Moab, and Milcom the god of the Ammonites, and they have not walked in my ways, doing what is (Jeroboam/Israel) walked in all the sins that his father did before him, and his heart was not wholly true to the LORD his God, as the heart of David his father. right in my sight and keeping my statutes and my rules, as David his father did. [1Ki 11:36, 38 ESV] 36 Yet to his son I will give one tribe, that David my servant may always have a lamp before me in Jerusalem, the city where I have chosen to put my name. ... 38 And if you will listen to all that I command you, and will walk in my ways, and do what is right in my eyes by keeping my statutes and my commandments, as David my servant did, I will be with you and will build you a sure house, as I built for David, and I will give Israel to you.

[1Ki 15:3, 11 ESV] 3 (<u>Abijam</u>) 1Ki 15:3 And he walked in all the sins that his father did before him, and his heart was not wholly true to the LORD his God, as the heart of David his father.

11 And <u>Asa</u> did what was right in the eyes of the LORD, <u>as David his father had</u> <u>done</u> [2Ki 14:3 ESV] 3 And he did what was right in the eyes of the LORD, yet not like David his father. He did in all things as Joash his father had done.

[2Ch 17:3 ESV] 3 The LORD was with <u>Jehoshaphat</u>, because <u>he walked in the earlier ways of his father David</u>. He did not seek the Baals,

[2Ki 16:2 ESV] 2 <u>Ahaz</u> was twenty years old when he began to reign, and he reigned sixteen years in Jerusalem. And he did not do what was right in the eyes of the LORD his God, <u>as his father David had done</u>,

[2Ki 18:3 ESV] 3 (<u>Hezekiah</u>) And he did what was right in the eyes of the LORD, <u>according to all that David his father had done</u>.

[2Ki 22:1-2 ESV] 1 **Josiah was eight years old** when he began to reign, and he reigned thirty-one years in Jerusalem. His mother's name was Jedidah the daughter

of Adaiah of Bozkath. 2 And <u>he did what was right in the eyes of the LORD and walked in all the way of David his father, and he did not turn aside to the right or to the left.</u>

[2Ch 28:1 ESV] 1 Ahaz was twenty years old when he began to reign, and he reigned sixteen years in Jerusalem. And he did not do what was right in the eyes of the LORD, as his father David had done,

[1Ki 15:5 ESV] 5 because <u>David</u> did what was right in the eyes of the LORD and did not turn aside from anything that he commanded him all the days of his life, except in the matter of Uriah the Hittite.

[2Ch 31:20-21 ESV] 20 Thus <u>Hezekiah</u> did throughout all Judah, and he **did what** was good and right and faithful before the LORD his God. 21 And every work that he undertook in the service of the house of God and in accordance with the law and the commandments, seeking his God, he did with all his heart, and prospered.

[2Ki 20:3 ESV] 3 "Now, O LORD, please remember how I have walked before you in faithfulness and with a whole heart, and have done what is good in your sight." And Hezekiah wept bitterly.

[2Ki 12:1-3 ESV] 1 In the seventh year of Jehu, **Jehoash began to reign**, and he reigned forty years in Jerusalem. His mother's name was Zibiah of Beersheba. 2 And **Jehoash did what was right in the eyes of the LORD all his days**, because Jehoiada the priest instructed him. 3 Nevertheless, the high places were not taken away; the people continued to sacrifice and make offerings on the high places.

Asa

[1Ki 15:11 ESV] 11 And Asa did what was right in the eyes of the LORD, as David his father had done.

[1Ki 15:3 ESV] 3 And he walked in all the sins that his father did before him, and his heart was not wholly true to the LORD his God, as the heart of David his father. [2Ch 14:2 ESV] 2 And Asa did what was good and right in the eyes of the LORD his God.

[2Ch 15:17 ESV] 17 But the high places were not taken out of Israel. Nevertheless, the heart of Asa was wholly true all his days.

[2Ch 16:7, 10 ESV] 7 At that time Hanani the seer came to Asa king of Judah and said to him, "Because you relied on the king of Syria, and did not rely on the LORD your God, the army of the king of Syria has escaped you. ... 10 Then Asa was angry with the seer and put him in the stocks in prison, for he was in a rage with him because of this. And Asa inflicted cruelties upon some of the people at the same time.

The Son of David! 7x in NT

[2Ch 1:1 ESV] 1 Solomon the son of David established himself in his kingdom, and

the LORD his God was with him and made him exceedingly great.

[Pro 1:1 ESV] 1 The proverbs of Solomon, son of David, king of Israel:

[Ecc 1:1 ESV] 1 The words of the Preacher, the son of David, king in Jerusalem.

[Mat 1:1, 20 ESV] 1 The book of the genealogy of Jesus Christ, the son of David, the son of Abraham. ... 20 But as he considered these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, "Joseph, son of David, do not fear to take Mary as your wife, for that which is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit.

[Mat 9:27 ESV] 27 And as Jesus passed on from there, two blind men followed him, crying aloud, "Have mercy on us, Son of David."

[Mat 12:23 ESV] 23 And all the people were amazed, and said, "Can this be the Son of David?"

[Mat 15:22 ESV] 22 And behold, a Canaanite woman from that region came out and was crying, "Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David; my daughter is severely oppressed by a demon."

[Mat 20:30-31 ESV] 30 And behold, there were two blind men sitting by the roadside, and when they heard that Jesus was passing by, they cried out, "Lord, have mercy on us, Son of David!" 31 The crowd rebuked them, telling them to be silent, but they cried out all the more, "Lord, have mercy on us, Son of David!"

[Mat 21:9, 15 ESV] 9 And the crowds that went before him and that followed him were shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!" ... 15 But when the chief priests and the scribes saw the wonderful things that he did, and the children crying out in the temple, "Hosanna to the Son of David!" they were indignant,

[Mat 22:42 ESV] 42 saying, "What do you think about the Christ? Whose son is he?" They said to him, "The son of David."

[Mar 10:47-48 ESV] 47 And when he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to cry out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" 48 And many rebuked him, telling him to be silent. But he cried out all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!"

[Mar 12:35 ESV] 35 And as Jesus taught in the temple, he said, "How can the scribes say that the Christ is the son of David?

[Luk 3:31 ESV] 31 the son of Melea, the son of Menna, the son of Mattatha, the son of Nathan, the son of David,

[Luk 18:38-39 And he cried out, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" 39 And those who were in front rebuked him, telling him to be silent. But he cried out all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!"

Evil Kings who followed their father – Jeroboam

[1Ki 14:16 ESV] 16 And he will give Israel up because of **the sins of Jeroboam**, which he sinned and made Israel to sin."

[2Ki 10:29 ESV] 29 But <u>Jehu did not turn aside from the sins of Jeroboam</u> the son of Nebat, which he made Israel to sin--that is, the golden calves that were in Bethel and in Dan.

[2Ki 13:2, 11 Jehoahaz 2 He did what was evil in the sight of the LORD and

<u>followed the sins of Jeroboam</u> the son of Nebat, which he made Israel to sin; he did not depart from them. ... 11 He also did what was evil in the sight of the LORD. <u>He did not depart from all the sins of Jeroboam</u> the son of Nebat, which he made Israel to sin, but he walked in them.

[1Ki 14:11-12 ESV] 11 Anyone belonging to Jeroboam who dies in the city the dogs shall eat, and anyone who dies in the open country the birds of the heavens shall eat, for the LORD has spoken it." 12 Arise therefore, go to your house. When your feet enter the city, **the child shall die**.

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[1Ki 14:16 ESV] 16 And he will give Israel up because of **the sins of Jeroboam**, which he sinned and made Israel to sin."

[1Ki 15:30 ESV] 30 It was for **the sins of Jeroboam** that he sinned and that he made Israel to sin, and because of **the anger to which he provoked the LORD**, the God of Israel.

[1Ki 16:31 ESV] 31 And as if it had been a light thing for him to walk in **the sins of Jeroboam** the son of Nebat, he took for his wife Jezebel the daughter of Ethbaal king of the Sidonians, and went and served Baal and worshiped him.

[2Ki 10:29, 31 ESV] 29 But Jehu did not turn aside from the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, which he made Israel to sin--that is, the golden calves that were in Bethel and in Dan. ... 31 But Jehu was not careful to walk in the law of the LORD, the God of Israel, with all his heart. He did not turn from the sins of Jeroboam, which he made Israel to sin.

[2Ki 13:2, 11 ESV] 2 He did what was evil in the sight of the LORD and followed the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, which he made Israel to sin; he did not depart from them. ... 11 He also did what was evil in the sight of the LORD. He did not depart from all the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, which he made Israel to sin, but he walked in them.

[2Ki 14:24 ESV] 24 And he did what was evil in the sight of the LORD. He did not depart from all the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, which he made Israel to sin.

[2Ki 15:9, 18, 24, 28 ESV] 9 And he did what was evil in the sight of the LORD, as his fathers had done. He did not depart from the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, which he made Israel to sin. ... 18 And he did what was evil in the sight of the LORD. He did not depart all his days from all the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, which he made Israel to sin. ... 24 And he did what was evil in the sight of the LORD. He did not turn away from the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, which he made Israel to sin. ... 28 And he did what was evil in the sight of the LORD. He did not depart from the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, which he made Israel to sin.

[1Ki 16:2, 19, 26 ESV] 2 "Since I exalted you out of the dust and made you leader over my people Israel, and you have walked in the way of Jeroboam and have

made my people Israel to sin, provoking me to anger with their sins, ... 19 because of his sins that he committed, doing evil in the sight of the LORD, walking in the way of Jeroboam, and for his sin which he committed, making Israel to sin. ... 26 For he walked in all the way of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, and in the sins that he made Israel to sin, provoking the LORD, the God of Israel, to anger by their idols.

[2Ki 13:6 ESV] 6 Nevertheless, they did not depart from the sins of the house of **Jeroboam**, which he made Israel to sin, but walked in them; and the Asherah also remained in Samaria.)

[2Ki 17:22 ESV] 22 The people of Israel walked in all the sins that Jeroboam did. They did not depart from them,

Royal Pains!!

- Be careful What you ask for, God may give it to you!
- Displacement Priority! Choices always demote others
- God always knows best, but we want easiest, feelings
- Our Spiritual lives (Prophets & Priests) over Political!
- Sin brings division, A kingdom divided against itself ...

Sin brings division, A kingdom divided against itself...and Ends in Slavery!!!

God allows YOU to run/govern your life to a large extent, Even allowing sinful choices to some measure...but pray and obey OR He may give you over to what you want, to your own destruction!!

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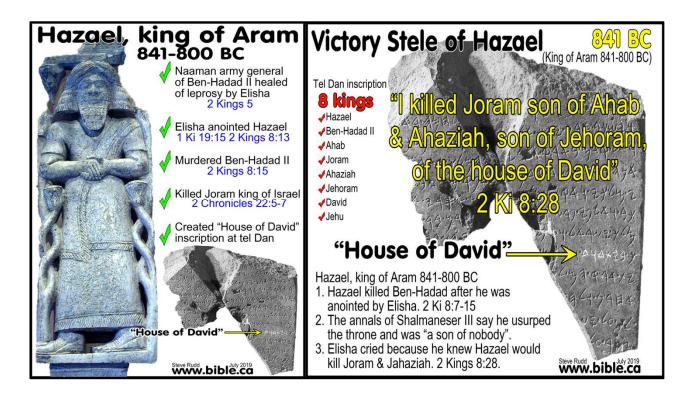
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Royal Pains!!

- Israel (10 tribes) had NO godly Kings, but had Elisha!
- Both kingdoms were put in time out, Judah returned
- David was the standard, the Son of David our hope!



2Ki.8-13 (chapters)

King Hazael (Syria) was prominent and Known BUT King David had no Archaeological evidence for so many years, until the dug up the Tel Dan Stele! In 1993!!

Hazael also took credit for the deaths of kings of Israel and Judah

The Tel Dan Stele, discovered in 1993 at Tel Dan in northern Israel, is a significant archaeological find because it contains the earliest known extrabiblical reference to the "House of David". The inscription, written in Aramaic, was part of a victory stele erected by an Aramean king, likely Hazael, who mentions defeating the kings of Israel and Judah. The phrase "House of David" is particularly noteworthy as it provides strong evidence of King David's existence and dynasty, confirming aspects of the biblical narrative.

Even here a great King is MORE Important for Who he knew! King David of Israel!! And Elisha's Anointing...Affirming the history of 8 Kings! And the Nation of Israel!!

Elisha the King Killer! Treason, Treachery...

- 2 Kings 8:7 Now <u>Elisha</u> came to <u>Damascus</u>, <u>Ben-hadad the king of Syria</u> was sick. And when it was told him, "The man of God has come here," Hazael's pillow?
- 2 Kings 8:16, 18 ... <u>Jehoram</u> the son of Jehoshaphat, <u>king of Judah</u>, began to reign...he did what was evil (as Ahab) died

Long Live the King! Until Elisah kills him!

3 Kings – Syria, Jehoram – Judah, Ahaziah - Judah. Ahabs influence reaches the southern Kingdom!!! The Man of God Weeps! 2Ki.8:11, 18, 26-27. 2 evil Women in Judah, Daughters of Omri and Ahab! 2Ki.9 Jehu kills Athaliah

Some Obvious Questions and observations

In 2 chapters at end of Elisha's ministry we see God shuffling the Deck and getting His revenge!

Son<u>s</u> of Jehoshaphat reigned over Israel AND Judah? Not same Jehoshaphat? A Common name.

Jehu/Israel wreaked havoc in Gods wrath, Jehoram brought evil in Judah? Then Ahaziah reigned 1 yr Killed, Athaliah the wicked queen slaughtered her family. The Priest works with Elisha to assassinate her!

Mat 1:1, 8 The book of <u>the genealogy of Jesus Christ</u>, the <u>son of David</u>, the <u>son of Abraham</u>. ... 8 and Asaph the father of Jehoshaphat, and <u>Jehoshaphat the father of Joram</u>, and <u>Joram the father of Uzziah</u>,

[Mat 1:9-10 ESV] 9 and <u>Uzziah</u> the father of Jotham, and Jotham the father of

Ahaz, and Ahaz the father of <u>Hezekiah</u>, 10 and Hezekiah the father of Manasseh, and Manasseh the father of Amos, and Amos the father of Josiah,

[2Ki 9:23 ESV] 23 Then Joram reined about and fled, saying to Ahaziah, "Treachery, O Ahaziah!"

[2Ki 11:14 ESV] 14 And when she looked, there was the king standing by the pillar, according to the custom, and the captains and the trumpeters beside the king, and all the people of the land rejoicing and blowing trumpets. And Athaliah tore her clothes and cried, "Treason! Treason!"

3 Kings killed by Arrows!

[2Ki 9:24, 27 ESV] 24 And <u>Jehu drew his bow with his full strength, and shot</u> <u>Joram</u> between the shoulders, so that the arrow pierced his heart, and he sank in his chariot. ...

27 When Ahaziah the king of Judah saw this, he fled in the direction of Beth-haggan. And Jehu pursued him and said, "Shoot him also." And they shot him in the chariot at the ascent of Gur, which is by Ibleam. And he fled to Megiddo and died there.

[1Ki 22:34-35, 38-39 ESV] 34 But a certain man drew his bow at random and struck the king of Israel between the scale armor and the breastplate. Therefore he said to the driver of his chariot, "Turn around and carry me out of the battle, for I am wounded." 35 And the battle continued that day, and the king was propped up in his chariot facing the Syrians, until at evening he died. And the blood of the wound flowed into the bottom of the chariot. ... 38 And they washed the chariot by the pool of Samaria, and the dogs licked up his blood, and the prostitutes washed themselves in it, according to the word of the LORD that he had spoken. 39 Now the rest of the acts of Ahab and all that he did, and the ivory house that he built and all the cities that he built, are they not written in the Book of the Chronicles of the Kings of Israel?

[2Ki 8:7-15 ESV] 7 Now Elisha came to Damascus. Ben-hadad the king of Syria was sick. And when it was told him, "The man of God has come here," 8 the king said to Hazael, "Take a present with you and go to meet the man of God, and inquire of the LORD through him, saying, 'Shall I recover from this sickness?" 9 So Hazael went to meet him, and took a present with him, all kinds of goods of Damascus, forty camels' loads. When he came and stood before him, he said, "Your son Ben-hadad king of Syria has sent me to you, saying, 'Shall I recover from this sickness?" 10 And Elisha said to him, "Go, say to him, 'You shall certainly recover,' but the LORD has shown me that he shall certainly die." 11 And he fixed his gaze and stared at him, until he was embarrassed. And the man of God wept. 12 And Hazael said, "Why does my lord weep?" He answered, "Because I know the evil that you will do to the people of Israel. You will set on fire their fortresses, and you will kill their young men with the sword and dash in pieces their little ones and rip open their pregnant women." 13 And Hazael said, "What

is your servant, who is but a dog, that he should do this great thing?" Elisha answered, "The LORD has shown me that you are to be king over Syria." 14 Then he departed from Elisha and came to his master, who said to him, "What did Elisha say to you?" And he answered, "He told me that you would certainly recover." 15 But the next day he took the bed cloth and dipped it in water and spread it over his face, till he died. And Hazael became king in his place.

[2Ki 8:16, 18-19 ESV] 16 In the fifth year of Joram the son of Ahab, king of Israel, when Jehoshaphat was king of Judah, Jehoram the son of Jehoshaphat, king of Judah, began to reign. ... 18 And he walked in the way of the kings of Israel, as the house of Ahab had done, for the daughter of Ahab was his wife. And he did what was evil in the sight of the LORD. 19 Yet the LORD was not willing to destroy Judah, for the sake of David his servant, since he promised to give a lamp to him and to his sons forever.

[2Ki 8:24 ESV] 24 So Joram slept with his fathers and was buried with his fathers in the city of David, and Ahaziah his son reigned in his place.

[2Ki 8:25-29 ESV] 25 In the twelfth year of Joram the son of Ahab, king of Israel, Ahaziah the son of Jehoram, king of Judah, began to reign. 26 Ahaziah was twenty-two years old when he began to reign, and he reigned one year in Jerusalem. His mother's name was Athaliah; she was a granddaughter of Omri king of Israel. 27 He also walked in the way of the house of Ahab and did what was evil in the sight of the LORD, as the house of Ahab had done, for he was son-in-law to the house of Ahab. 28 He went with Joram the son of Ahab to make war against Hazael king of Syria at Ramoth-gilead, and the Syrians wounded Joram. 29 And King Joram returned to be healed in Jezreel of the wounds that the Syrians had given him at Ramah, when he fought against Hazael king of Syria. And Ahaziah the son of Jehoram king of Judah went down to see Joram the son of Ahab in Jezreel, because he was sick.

Before his reign as king, Jehu functioned as a commander in the army of Ahab (2 Kings 9:5, 25) in the northern kingdom of Israel. Jehu was the son of Jehoshaphat, although he is more commonly mentioned as son of Nimshi, his grandfather, perhaps because Nimshi was more well-known. Jehu's name, meaning "Yahweh is he," portrays well his future, God-given task: to obliterate the house of Ahab along with the worship of Baal that pervaded Israel at the time. Jehu made haste to Jezreel and killed two of Ahab's progeny—Joram, king of northern Israel; and Ahaziah, king of Judah (2 Kings 9:14–29). Jehu then proceeded to Jezebel's palace in Jezreel, where the queen stood watching for him at her window. At Jehu's command, eunuchs surrounding Jezebel threw her down from the window. Jezebel's blood splattered over the pavement, and her body was eaten by dogs (2 Kings 9:30–37). https://www.gotquestions.org/King-Jehu.html

[2Ki 9:1-3, 6-7, 9-10, 12-17, 20-28, 30-37 ESV] 1 Then Elisha the prophet called one

of the sons of the prophets and said to him, "Tie up your garments, and take this flask of oil in your hand, and go to Ramoth-gilead. 2 And when you arrive, look there for Jehu the son of Jehoshaphat, son of Nimshi. And go in and have him rise from among his fellows, and lead him to an inner chamber. 3 Then take the flask of oil and pour it on his head and say, 'Thus says the LORD, I anoint you king over Israel.' Then open the door and flee; do not linger." ... 6 So he arose and went into the house. And the young man poured the oil on his head, saying to him, "Thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, I anoint you king over the people of the LORD, over Israel. 7 And you shall strike down the house of Ahab your master, so that I may avenge on Jezebel the blood of my servants the prophets, and the blood of all the servants of the LORD. ... 9 And I will make the house of Ahab like the house of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, and like the house of Baasha the son of Ahijah. 10 And the dogs shall eat Jezebel in the territory of Jezreel, and none shall bury her." Then he opened the door and fled. ... 12 And they said, "That is not true; tell us now." And he said, "Thus and so he spoke to me, saying, 'Thus says the LORD, I anoint you king over Israel." 13 Then in haste every man of them took his garment and put it under him on the bare steps, and they blew the trumpet and proclaimed, "Jehu is king." 14 Thus Jehu the son of Jehoshaphat the son of Nimshi conspired against Joram. (Now Joram with all Israel had been on guard at Ramoth-gilead against Hazael king of Syria, 15 but King Joram had returned to be healed in Jezreel of the wounds that the Syrians had given him, when he fought with Hazael king of Syria.) So Jehu said, "If this is your decision, then let no one slip out of the city to go and tell the news in Jezreel." 16 Then Jehu mounted his chariot and went to Jezreel, for Joram lay there. And Ahaziah king of Judah had come down to visit Joram. 17 Now the watchman was standing on the tower in Jezreel, and he saw the company of Jehu as he came and said, "I see a company." And Joram said, "Take a horseman and send to meet them, and let him say, 'Is it peace?" ... 20 Again the watchman reported, "He reached them, but he is not coming back. And the driving is like the driving of Jehu the son of Nimshi, for he drives furiously." 21 Joram said, "Make ready." And they made ready his chariot. Then Joram king of Israel and Ahaziah king of Judah set out, each in his chariot, and went to meet Jehu, and met him at the property of Naboth the Jezreelite. 22 And when Joram saw Jehu, he said, "Is it peace, Jehu?" He answered, "What peace can there be, so long as the whorings and the sorceries of your mother Jezebel are so many?" 23 Then Joram reined about and fled, saying to Ahaziah, "Treachery, O Ahaziah!" 24 And Jehu drew his bow with his full strength, and shot Joram between the shoulders, so that the arrow pierced his heart, and he sank in his chariot. 25 Jehu said to Bidkar his aide, "Take him up and throw him on the plot of ground belonging to Naboth the Jezreelite. For remember, when you and I rode side by side behind Ahab his father, how the LORD made this pronouncement against him: 26 'As surely as I saw yesterday the blood of Naboth and the blood of his sons--declares the LORD--I will repay you on this plot of ground.' Now therefore take him up and throw him on the plot of ground, in accordance with the word of the LORD." 27 When Ahaziah the king of Judah saw this, he fled in the direction of Beth-haggan. And Jehu pursued him and said, "Shoot him also." And they shot him in the chariot at the ascent of Gur, which is

by Ibleam. And he fled to Megiddo and died there. 28 His servants carried him in a chariot to Jerusalem, and buried him in his tomb with his fathers in the city of David. ... 30 When Jehu came to Jezreel, Jezebel heard of it. And she painted her eyes and adorned her head and looked out of the window. 31 And as Jehu entered the gate, she said, "Is it peace, you Zimri, murderer of your master?" 32 And he lifted up his face to the window and said, "Who is on my side? Who?" Two or three eunuchs looked out at him. 33 He said, "Throw her down." So they threw her down. And some of her blood spattered on the wall and on the horses, and they trampled on her. 34 Then he went in and ate and drank. And he said, "See now to this cursed woman and bury her, for she is a king's daughter." 35 But when they went to bury her, they found no more of her than the skull and the feet and the palms of her hands. 36 When they came back and told him, he said, "This is the word of the LORD, which he spoke by his servant Elijah the Tishbite: 'In the territory of Jezreel the dogs shall eat the flesh of Jezebel, 37 and the corpse of Jezebel shall be as dung on the face of the field in the territory of Jezreel, so that no one can say, This is Jezebel.'"

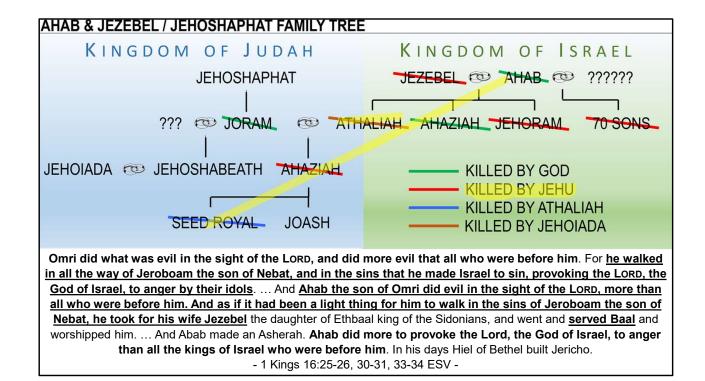
[2Ch 19:1-3 ESV] 1 Jehoshaphat the king of Judah returned in safety to his house in Jerusalem. 2 But Jehu the son of Hanani the seer went out to meet him and said to King Jehoshaphat, "Should you help the wicked and love those who hate the LORD? Because of this, wrath has gone out against you from the LORD. 3 Nevertheless, some good is found in you, for you destroyed the Asheroth out of the land, and have set your heart to seek God." (So were there 2 different jehus, one a king of Israel and 1 a son of a prophet? And 2 different Jehoshaphat's, one King of Judah and 1 father of Jehu?)

Hosea 1:4-5

⁴And the LORD said to him, "Name him Jezreel; for in a little while I will punish the house of Jehu for the blood of Jezreel, and I will put an end to the kingdom of the house of Israel. ⁵On that day I will break the bow of Israel in the valley of Jezreel."

Elisha the King Killer! Treason, Treachery...

•2 Kings 9:1-3 – Then Elisha the prophet called one of the sons of the prophets and said to him, ... go to Ranoth-gilead. Look there for <u>Jehu</u> the son of Jehoshaphat... I anoint you <u>king over Israel</u>. Arrow!



[1Ki 16:25-26, 30-31, 33-34 ESV] **25 Omri did what was evil in the sight of the LORD, and did more evil than all who were before him.** 26 For <a href="her walked in all the way of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, and in the sins that he made Israel to sin, provoking the LORD, the God of Israel, to anger by their idols. ... 30 And <a href="Ahab the son of Omri did evil in the sight of the LORD, more than all who were before him. 31 And as if it had been a light thing for him to walk in the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, he took for his wife Jezebel the daughter of Ethbaal king of the Sidonians, and went and served Baal and worshiped him. ... 33 And Ahab made an Asherah. Ahab did more to provoke the LORD, the God of Israel, to anger than all the kings of Israel who were before him. 34 In his days Hiel of Bethel built Jericho. He laid its foundation at the cost of Abiram his firstborn, and set up its gates at the cost of his youngest son Segub, according to the word of the LORD, which he spoke by Joshua the son of Nun.

Jehu Cleans House! Both houses!

God killed some, actually all, he used men to do some

Jeroboam, Omri and Ahab (Jezebel! And Athaliah) Yes, Athaliah was indeed related to Ahab. She was the daughter of Ahab, king of Israel,

and <u>Jezebel</u>, his wife. Furthermore, she was married to <u>Jehoram</u>, the king of Judah, which further solidified the connection between the two royal families.

Notice Queen (the only queen who arose through cunning and murder)
Athaliah tried to eliminate the Royal line, Line of Christ! Satan has been at this since Abe and Sarah in Egypt!

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King Jehu – the Prophecies Fulfilled

- Jehu conspired 2 Kings 9:14 drove his chariot furiously 20
- King Joram cries Treachery!! Jehu shoots his bow!
- King Ahaziah shot in his chariot too, same day
- Queen Jezebel Thrown from her loft. Eaten by dogs

[2Ki 10:4 ESV] 4 But they were exceedingly afraid and said, "Behold, the two kings could not stand before him. How then can we stand?"

2Ki 10:28-29 ESV] 28 Thus Jehu wiped out Baal from Israel. 29 But Jehu did not turn aside from the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, which he made Israel to sin--that is, the golden calves that were in Bethel and in Dan.

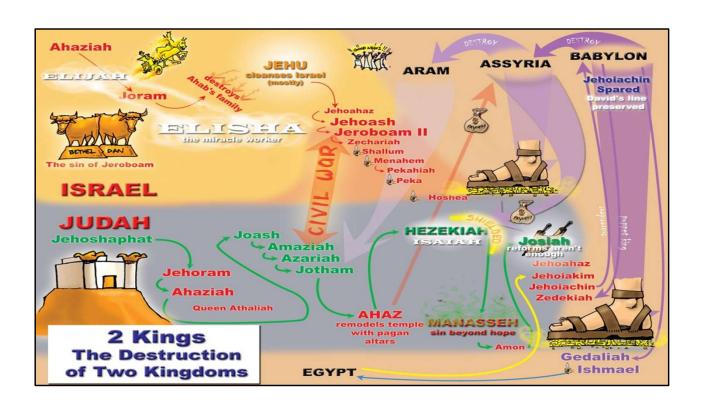
2Ki 9:24, 27 And Jehu drew his bow with his full strength, and shot Joram between the shoulders, so that the arrow pierced his heart, and he sank in his chariot. ... 27 When Ahaziah the king of Judah saw this, he fled in the direction of Beth-haggan. And Jehu pursued him and said, "Shoot him also." And they shot him in the chariot at the ascent of Gur, which is by Ibleam. And he fled to Megiddo and died there.

2Ki 9:1, 3, 7, 11-13 ESV] 1 Then Elisha the prophet called one of the sons of the prophets and said to him, "Tie up your garments, and take this flask of oil in your hand, and go to Ramoth-gilead. ... 3 Then take the flask of oil and pour it on his head and say, 'Thus says the LORD, I anoint you king over Israel.' Then open the door and flee; do not linger." ... 7 And you shall strike down the house of Ahab your master, so that I may avenge on Jezebel the blood of my servants the prophets, and the blood of all the servants of the

LORD. ... 11 When Jehu came out to the servants of his master, they said to him, "Is all well? Why did this mad fellow come to you?" And he said to them, "You know the fellow and his talk." 12 And they said, "That is not true; tell us now." And he said, "Thus and so he spoke to me, saying, 'Thus says the LORD, I anoint you king over Israel." 13 Then in haste every man of them took his garment and put it under him on the bare steps, and they blew the trumpet and proclaimed, "Jehu is king."

King Jehu – the Prophecies Fulfilled

- •70 sons of Ahab heads roll! 2 Kings 10:6
- •42 more killed! 2 Kings 10:14
- All the remaining Baal worshippers!



God sent Seers/Prophets

- 1 Samuel 9:9 (Formerly in Israel, when a man went to inquire of God, he said, "Come, let us go to the seer," for today's "prophet" was formerly called a seer.)
- 2 Kings 17:13-15 Yet the LORD warned Israel and Judah by every prophet and every seer, saying, "Turn from your evil ways and keep my commandments ..."

Oh Lord, Open our Eyes! The purpose of the prophets was to do just that! They were Seers!

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[Isa 30:10 ESV] 10 who say to the seers, "Do not see," and to the prophets, "Do not prophesy to us what is right; speak to us smooth things, prophesy illusions,

[2Ki 9:7 ESV] 7 And you shall strike down the house of Ahab your master, so that I may avenge on Jezebel the blood of my servants the prophets, and the blood of all the servants of the LORD.

[2Ki 17:23 ESV] 23 until the LORD removed Israel out of his sight, as he had spoken by all his servants the prophets. So Israel was exiled from their own land to Assyria until this day.

2Ch 24:19 ESV] 19 Yet he sent prophets among them to bring them back to the LORD. These testified against them, but they would not pay attention.

[2Ch 36:15-16 ESV] 15 The LORD, the God of their fathers, sent persistently to them by his messengers, because he had compassion on his people and on his dwelling place. 16 But they kept mocking the messengers of God, despising his words and scoffing at his prophets, until the wrath of the LORD rose against his people, until there was no remedy.

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[Neh 9:26 ESV] 26 "Nevertheless, they were disobedient and rebelled against you and cast your law behind their back and killed your prophets, who had warned them in order to turn them back to you, and they committed great blasphemies.

[Jer 7:25-26 ESV] 25 From the day that your fathers came out of the land of Egypt to this day, I have persistently sent all my servants the prophets to them, day after day. 26 Yet they did not listen to me or incline their ear, but stiffened their neck. They did worse than their fathers.

[Jer 25:4-5 ESV] 4 You have neither listened nor inclined your ears to hear, although the LORD persistently sent to you all his servants the prophets, 5 saying, 'Turn now, every one of you, from his evil way and evil deeds, and dwell upon the land that the LORD has given to you and your fathers from of old and forever.

[Jer 26:5 ESV] 5 and to listen to the words of my servants the prophets whom I send to you urgently, though you have not listened,

[Jer 44:4-5 ESV] 4 Yet I persistently sent to you all my servants the prophets, saying, 'Oh, do not do this abomination that I hate!' 5 But they did not listen or incline their ear, to turn from their evil and make no offerings to other gods.

[Luk 11:47-51 ESV] 47 Woe to you! For you build the tombs of the prophets whom your fathers killed. 48 So you are witnesses and you consent to the deeds of your fathers, for they killed them, and you build their tombs. 49 Therefore also the Wisdom of God said, 'I will send them prophets and apostles, some of whom they will kill and persecute,' 50 so that the blood of all the prophets, shed from the foundation of the world, may be charged against this generation, 51 from the blood of Abel to the blood of Zechariah, who perished between the altar and the sanctuary. Yes, I tell you, it will be required of this generation.

[Luk 16:31 ESV] 31 He said to him, 'If they do not hear Moses and the Prophets, neither will they be convinced if someone should rise from the dead.'"

Act 7:51-52 "You stiff-necked people, uncircumcised in heart and ears, you always resist the Holy Spirit. As your fathers did, so do you. 52 Which of the prophets did your fathers not persecute? And they killed those who announced beforehand the coming of the Righteous One, whom you have now

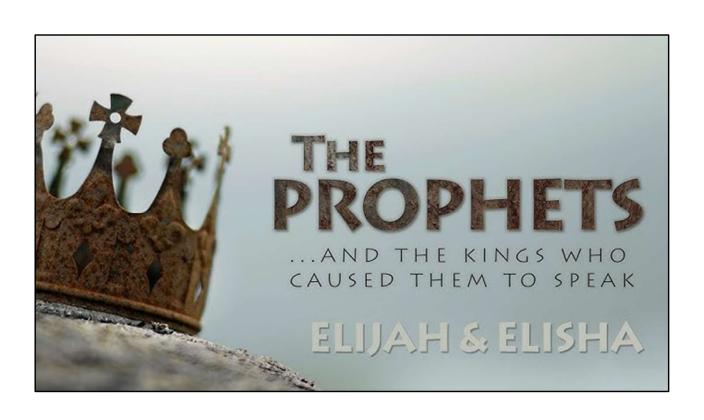
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Samaria/Samaritans

- Capitol city of Ahab and the northern 10 tribes, Israel!
- None (1?) Of the Northern kings were godly, Idolaters!
- Samaritans worshipped idols/Syncretists at best
- Even the disciples/apostles saw the different

Why were Samaritans derided?

They were later relocated and inbred with pagan nations by Assyrians Jeroboam – Omri – Ahab/Jezebel – They went from bad to worse 1Ki 16:30-31, 33 ESV] 30 And Ahab the son of Omri did evil in the sight of the LORD, more than all who were before him. 31 And as if it had been a light thing for him to walk in the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, he took for his wife Jezebel the daughter of Ethbaal king of the Sidonians, and went and served Baal and worshiped him. ... 33 And Ahab made an Asherah. Ahab did more to provoke the LORD, the God of Israel, to anger than all the kings of Israel who were before him.

[2Ch 33:17-19 ESV] 17 Nevertheless, the people still sacrificed at the high places, but only to the LORD their God.
[2Ch 15:17 ESV] 17 But the high places were not taken out of Israel.
Nevertheless, the heart of Asa was wholly true all his days.
[2Ch 32:12 ESV] 12 Has not this same Hezekiah taken away his high places and his altars and commanded Judah and Jerusalem, "Before one altar you shall worship, and on it you shall burn your sacrifices"?

[1Ki 22:43 ESV] 43 He walked in all the way of Asa his father. He did not turn aside from it, doing what was right in the sight of the LORD. Yet the high places were not taken away, and the people still sacrificed and made offerings on the high places.

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God Loves the repentant! He rejects the self righteous!

[Luk 4:16, 25-29 ESV] 16 And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up. And as was his custom, he went to the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and he stood up to read. ... 25 But in truth, I tell you, there were many widows in Israel in the days of Elijah, when the heavens were shut up three years and six months, and a great famine came over all the land, 26 and Elijah was sent to none of them but only to Zarephath, in the land of Sidon, to a woman who was a widow. 27 And there were many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed, but only Naaman the Syrian." 28 When they heard these things, all in the synagogue were filled with wrath. 29 And they rose up and drove him out of the town and brought him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they could throw him down the cliff.

[1Ki 12:26-29 ESV] 26 And Jeroboam said in his heart, "Now the kingdom will turn back to the house of David. 27 If this people go up to offer sacrifices in the temple of the LORD at Jerusalem, then the heart of this people will turn again to their lord, to Rehoboam king of Judah, and they will kill me and return to Rehoboam king of Judah." 28 So the king took counsel and made two calves of gold. And he said to the people, "You have gone up to Jerusalem long enough. Behold your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt." 29 And he set one in Bethel, and the other he put in Dan.

[1Ki 13:2, 4, 6, 32-34 ESV] 2 And the man cried against the altar by the word of the LORD and said, "O altar, altar, thus says the LORD: 'Behold, a son shall be born to the house of David, Josiah by name, and he shall sacrifice on you the priests of the high places who make offerings on you, and human bones shall be burned on you." ... 4 And when the king heard the saying of the man of God, which he cried against the altar at Bethel, Jeroboam stretched out his hand from the altar, saying, "Seize him." And his hand, which he stretched out against him, dried up, so that he could not draw it back to himself. ... 6 And the king said to the man of God, "Entreat now the favor of the LORD your God, and pray for me, that my hand may be restored to me." And the man of God entreated the LORD, and the king's hand was restored to him and became as it was before. ... 32 For the saying that he called out by the word of the LORD against the altar in Bethel and against all the houses of the high places that are in the cities of Samaria shall surely come to pass." 33 After this thing Jeroboam did not turn from his evil way, but made priests for the high places again from among all the people. Any

who would, he ordained to be priests of the high places. 34 And this thing became sin to the house of Jeroboam, so as to cut it off and to destroy it from the face of the earth.

[1Ki 16:23-26 ESV] 23 In the thirty-first year of Asa king of Judah, **Omri began to reign over Israel**, and he reigned for twelve years; six years he reigned in Tirzah. 24 **He bought the hill of Samaria** from Shemer for two talents of silver, and he fortified the hill and called the name of the city that he built Samaria, after the name of Shemer, the owner of the hill. 25 Omri did what was evil in the sight of the LORD, and did more evil than all who were before him. 26 For he walked in all the way of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, and in the sins that he made Israel to sin, provoking the LORD, the God of Israel, to anger by their idols.

[1Ki 16:32 ESV] 32 He erected an altar for Baal in the house of Baal, which he built in Samaria.

[1Ki 18:2 ESV] 2 So Elijah went to show himself to Ahab. Now the famine was severe in Samaria.

[2Ki 3:1 ESV] 1 In the eighteenth year of Jehoshaphat king of Judah, **Jehoram the son of Ahab became** king over Israel in Samaria, and he reigned twelve years.

Jesus loved Samaritans! Jn.4 Woman at well, must needs go to Samaria!, Lk.10:33 story of Good Samaritan, 17:16 10 lepers, only 1, a Samaritan returned to give thx. 3 Roman Centurion's who believed too!

[Luk 9:52-54 ESV] 52 And he sent messengers ahead of him, who went and entered a village of the Samaritans, to make preparations for him. 53 But the people did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. 54 And when his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to tell fire to come down from heaven and consume them?"

[Jhn 4:27, 35 ESV] 27 Just then his disciples came back. They marveled that he was talking with a woman, but no one said, "What do you seek?" or, "Why are you talking with her?" ... 35 Do you not say, 'There are yet four months, then comes the harvest'? Look, I tell you, lift up your eyes, and see that the fields are white for harvest.

[Mat 10:5 ESV] 5 These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them, "Go nowhere among the Gentiles and enter no town of the Samaritans,

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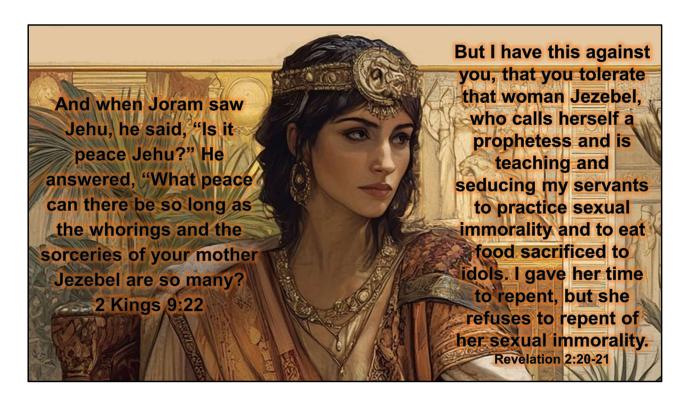
[Jhn 4:9, 39-40 ESV] 9 The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask for a drink from me, a woman of Samaria?" (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.) ... 39 Many Samaritans from that town believed in him because of the woman's testimony, "He told me all that I ever did." 40 So when the Samaritans came

to him, they asked him to stay with them, and he stayed there two days. [Act 8:25 ESV] 25 Now when they had testified and spoken the word of the Lord, they returned to Jerusalem, preaching the gospel to many villages of the Samaritans.

[Jhn 8:48 ESV] 48 The Jews answered him, "Are we not right in saying that you are a Samaritan and have a demon?"

Samaria/Samaritans

- Jesus loved Samaritans! 3x!
 - John 4 woman at the well, city comes to see
 - Luke 10:33 Jesus tells story of the "good Samaritan"
 - Luke 17:16 1 of 10 Lepers return. He was a Samaritan



Jezebel was Satan's Spy and Saboteur

[Rev 2:18, 20-21 ESV] 18 "And to the angel of the church in Thyatira write: 'The words of the Son of God, who has eyes like a flame of fire, and whose feet are like burnished bronze. ... 20 But I have this against you, that you tolerate that woman Jezebel, who calls herself a prophetess and is teaching and seducing my servants to practice sexual immorality and to eat food sacrificed to idols. 21 I gave her time to repent, but she refuses to repent of her sexual immorality. (**Ahab is NOT mentioned in NT, but Jezebel is!**)

[2Ki 9:22 And when Joram saw Jehu, he said, "Is it peace, Jehu?" He answered, "What peace can there be, so long as the whorings and the sorceries of your mother Jezebel are so many?"

2Ch 22:3 ESV] 3 He also walked in the ways of the house of Ahab, for his mother was his counselor in doing wickedly.

[1Ki 16:31 ESV] 31 And as if it had been a light thing for him to walk in the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, he took for his wife Jezebel the daughter of Ethbaal

king of the Sidonians, and went and served Baal and worshiped him.

[1Ki 18:4, 13 ESV] 4 and when Jezebel cut off the prophets of the LORD, Obadiah took a hundred prophets and hid them by fifties in a cave and fed them with bread and water.) ... 13 Has it not been told my lord what I did when Jezebel killed the prophets of the LORD, how I hid a hundred men of the LORD's prophets by fifties in a cave and fed them with bread and water?

[1Ki 19:2 ESV] 2 Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, "So may the gods do to me and more also, if I do not make your life as the life of one of them by this time tomorrow."

[1Ki 21:25 ESV] 25 (There was none who sold himself to do what was evil in the sight of the LORD like Ahab, whom Jezebel his wife incited.

[2Ki 9:7, 30, 37 ESV] 7 And you shall strike down the house of Ahab your master, so that I may avenge on Jezebel the blood of my servants the prophets, and the blood of all the servants of the LORD. ... 30 When Jehu came to Jezreel, Jezebel heard of it. And she painted her eyes and adorned her head and looked out of the window. ... 37 and the corpse of Jezebel shall be as dung on the face of the field in the territory of Jezreel, so that no one can say, This is Jezebel."

[Rev 2:20 ESV] 20 But I have this against you, that you tolerate that woman Jezebel, who calls herself a prophetess and is teaching and seducing my servants to practice sexual immorality and to eat food sacrificed to idols.



Today we have the answer to the oft asked question: Who let the dogs out?!!

Jezebel = "Baal exalts" or "Baal is husband to" or "unchaste". daughter of Ethbaal, **king of Tyre** 1 Kings 16:31; 1 Kings 18:4, 13, 19; 1 Kings 19:1, 2; 1 Kings 21:5 +; 2 Kings 9:7 +.

[1Ki 21:23, 25 ESV] 23 And of Jezebel the LORD also said, 'The dogs shall eat Jezebel within the walls of Jezreel.' ... 25 (There was none who sold himself to do what was evil in the sight of the LORD like Ahab, whom Jezebel his wife incited. [2Ki 9:7, 10, 22, 30, 36-37 ESV] 7 And you shall strike down the house of Ahab your master, so that I may avenge on Jezebel the blood of my servants the prophets, and the blood of all the servants of the LORD. ... 10 And the dogs shall eat Jezebel in the territory of Jezreel, and none shall bury her." Then he opened the door and fled. ... 22 And when Joram saw Jehu, he said, "Is it peace, Jehu?" He answered, "What peace can there be, so long as the whorings and the sorceries of your mother Jezebel are so many?" ... 30 When Jehu came to Jezreel, Jezebel heard of it. And she painted her eyes and adorned her head and looked out of the window. ... 36 When they came back and told him, he said, "This is the word of the LORD, which he spoke by his servant Elijah the Tishbite: 'In the territory of Jezreel the dogs shall eat the flesh of Jezebel, 37 and the corpse of Jezebel shall be as dung on the face

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The King of kings and Lord of lords

- 1 Timothy 6:15 which he will display at the proper time he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords,
- Revelation 17:14 "They will make war on the Lamb, and the Lamb will conquer them, for he is Lord of lords and King of kings, and those with him are called and chosen and faithful."

[Ezr 7:12 ESV] 12 "Artaxerxes, king of kings, to Ezra the priest, the scribe of the Law of the God of heaven. Peace. And now (king of Persia)

[Eze 26:7 "For thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I will bring against Tyre from the north **Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon, king of kings**, with horses and chariots, and with horsemen and a host of many soldiers.

[Dan 2:37 ESV] 37 **You, O king, the king of kings**, to whom the God of heaven has given the kingdom, the power, and the might, and the glory, (Nebuchadnezzar) [1Ti 6:15 ESV] 15 which he will display at the proper time--he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, **the King of kings and Lord of lords**,

[Rev 17:14 ESV] 14 They will make war on the Lamb, and the Lamb will conquer them, for he is **Lord of lords and King of kings**, and those with him are called and chosen and faithful."

[Rev 19:16 ESV] 16 On his robe and on his thigh he has a name written, **King of kings and Lord of lords**.

The King of kings and Lord of lords

• Revelation 19:16 – On his rove and on his thigh he has a name written, King of kings and Lord of lords.



Oh Lord, Open our eyes!

- You set up and take down kings, You're King of Kings!
- I'd rather be a doorkeeper! We're already royalty!
- You're longsuffering is loving patience, not permission
- You are a God of Vengeance, we can't escape it
- Games of thrones are more invisible than seen

Samaria - Jesus gives grace

Oh Lord, Open our eyes!

- Evil worsens, radical amputation was/is needed
- Thank you, Lord for preserving the line of our Savior!

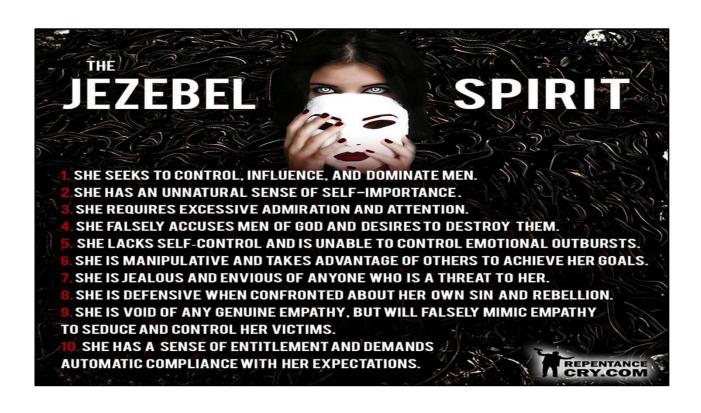
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The Jezebel Spirit

- Seeks out other individuals they feel are weaker to control, influence and dominate
- Has an unnatural sense of self-importance
- Requires excessive admiration and attention
- Shows arrogant, haughty behaviors or attitudes
- Lacks self control, unable to control emotional outbursts, unconcerned with effecting others
- Exploitative, abusive, takes advantage of others to achieve his/her own goals, manipulative, lies
- Totally void of empathy; will falsely mimic empathy to seduce and control their victims
- Jealous and envious of others, yet delusional in believing others are jealous/envious of them
- Defensive and combative whenever confronted about anything
- Fantasies about themselves having unlimited admiration, beauty, power, success, brilliance or perfected worship in love
- Believes that he/she is superior and unique and can only be understood by other superior people
- Has a sense of entitlement; demands automatic compliance with his/her expectations; unreasonable expectations of others, critical when disappointed











2 KINGS AT A GLANCE							
Focus	Divided Kingdom			Surviving Kingdom			
Reference	1:1			8:1 — 22:1— 25:1-25:30			
Division	Ministry Of Elisha Under Ahaziah And Jehoram Reigns Of Ten Kin Of Israel And Eig Kings Of Judal		Fall Of Israel	Reigns Of Hezekiah And Two Evil Kings	Reigns Of Josiah And Four Evil Kings	Fall Of Judah	
Touis	Israel And Judah			Judah			
Topic	Ahaziah To Hoshea Hezekiah To Zedekiah				ah		
Location	Israe	Judah Deported To Babylonia					
Time	131 Years (853–722 B.C.)				155 Years (715–560 B.c.)		
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Kings of Israel (North)	Kings of Judah (South)				
Jeroboam I: Led secession of Israel	Rehoboam: Son of Solomon; first king				
Nadab: Son of Jeroboam I	Abijah (Abijam; Abia): Son of Rehoboam				
Baasha: Overthrew Nadab	Asa: Probably son of Abijah				
Elah: Son of Baasha	Jehoshaphat: Son of Asa				
Zimri: Overthrew Elah	Jehoram (Joram): Son of Jehoshaphat; husband of Athaliah				
Omri: Overthrew Zimri	Ahaziah: Son of Jehoram and Athaliah				
Ahab: Son of Omri; husband of Jezebel	Athaliah : Daughter of King Ahab of Israel and Jezebel; wife of Jehoram; only queen to rule over Judah				
Ahaziah: Son of Ahab	Joash (Jehoash): Son of Ahaziah				
Jehoram (Joram): Son of Ahab	Amaziah: Son of Joash				
Jehu: Overthrew Jehoram	Uzziah (Azariah): Son of Amaziah				
Jehoahaz (Joahaz): Son of Jehu	Jotham: Regent, later King; son of Uzziah				
Jehoash (Joash): Son of Jehoahaz	Ahaz: Son of Jotham				
Jeroboam II: Son of Jehoash	Hezekiah: Son of Ahaz; husband of Hephzi-Bah				
Zechariah: Son of Jeroboam II	Manasseh: Son of Hezekiah and Hephzi-Bah				
Shallum: Overthrew Zechariah	Amon: Son of Manasseh				
Menahem: Overthrew Shallum	Josiah (Josias): Son of Amon				
Pekahiah: Son of Menahem	Jehoahaz (Joahaz): Son of Josiah				
Pekah: Overthrew Pekahiah	Jehoiakim: Son of Josiah				
Hoshea: Overthrew Pekah; kingdom overthrown by Assyrians under Sargon II	Jehoiachin: Son of Jehoiakim				
Good Bad Mixture of good & bad	Zedekiah: Son of Josiah; kingdom overthrown by Babylonians under Nebuchadnezzar				

Kings of Judah and Israel

Saul	1050-1010 BC				
David	1010-970				
Solomon	970-930				

Judah (and Benjamin)				Israel (Ten Northern Tribes)					
King	Re	ign	Character	Prophets	King	Re	ign	Character	Prophets
1. Rehoboam	931-913	17 years	Bad	Shemaiah	1. Jeroboam I	931-910	22 years	Bad	Ahijah
2. Abijah	913-911	3 years	Bad		2. Nadab	910-909	2 years	Bad	
	911-870	41 years	Good		3. Baasha	909-886	24 years	Bad	
3. Asa					4. Elah	886-885	2 years	Bad	
3. Asa					5. Zimri	885	7 days	Bad	
					6. Omri	885-874*	12 years	Bad	Elijah
4. Jehoshaphat	870-848*	25 years	Good		7. Ahab	874-853	22 years	Bad	Micaiah
5. Jehoram	848-841*	8 years	Bad		8. Ahaziah	853-852	2 years	Bad	
6. Ahaziah	841	1 years	Bad		9. Joram	852-841	12 years	Bad	Elisha
7. Athaliah	841-835	6 years	Bad		10. Jehu	841-814	28 years	Bad	
8. Joash	835-796	40 years	Good	Joel	11. Jehoahaz	814-798	17 years	Bad	Jonah
9. Amaziah	796-767	29 years	Good		12. Jehoash	798-782	16 years	Bad	Amos
10. Uzziah (Azariah)	767-740*	52 years	Good		13. Jeroboam II	782-753*	41 years	Bad	Hosea
11. Jotham	740-732*	16 years	Good	Isaiah	14. Zechariah	753-752	6 mo	Bad	
12. Ahaz	732-716	16 years	Bad	Micah	15. Shallum	752	1 mo	Bad	
13. Hezekiah	716-687	29 years	Good		16. Menahem	752-742	10 years	Bad	
14. Manasseh	687-642*	55 years	Bad-repent	100	17. Pekahiah	742-740	2 years	Bad	
15. Amon	642-640	2 years	Bad	Nahum Habakkuk Zephaniah	18. Pekah	740-732*	20 years	Bad	
16. Josiah	640-608	31 years	Good		19. Hoshea	732-712	9 years	Bad	
17. Jehoahaz	608	3 mo	Bad	econdinan.					
18. Jeholakim	608-597	11 years	Bad	Daniel	722 BC Fall of Isreal / Assyrian Captivity				
19. Jehoiachin	597	3 mos	Bad	Ezekiel					
20. Zedekiah	597-586	11 years	Bad	Jeremiah					

Good Bad Mixture of good and bad					
Kings of Israel	Kings of Judah				
Jeroboam (<u>1 Kings 12:25-33</u>)	Rehoboam (1 Kings 14:21-31)				
Nadab (1 Kings 15:25-31)	Abijam (1 Kings 15:1-8)				
Baasha (1 Kings 15:33-16:7)	Asa (1 Kings 15:9-24)				
Elah (1 Kings 16:8-14)	Jehoshaphat (1 Kings 22:41-50)				
Zimri (1 Kings 16:15-20)	Jehoram (2 Kings 8:16-23)				
Omri (1 Kings 16:21-27)	Ahaziah (2 Kings 8:25-29; 9:29)				
Ahab (1 Kings 16:29-33)	Athaliah (2 Kings 11) queen				
Ahaziah (1 Kings 22:51-53; 2 Kings 1)	Joash (2 Kings 12)				
Joram (Jehoram) (2 Kings 1:17; 3:1-3)	Amaziah (2 Kings 14:1-22)				
Jehu (<u>2 Kings 9:30-10:36</u>)	Azariah (Uzziah) (2 Kings 15:1-7)				
Jehoahaz (<u>2 Kings 13:1-9</u>)	Jotham (2 Kings 15:32-38)				
Jehoash (2 Kings 13:10-25)	Ahaz (2 Kings 16)				
Jeroboam II (2 Kings 14:23-29)	Hezekiah (2 Kings 18-20)				
Zechariah (2 Kings 15:8-12)	Manasseh (2 Kings 21:1-18)				
Shallum (2 Kings 15:13-16)	Amon (2 Kings 21:19-26)				
Menahem (2 Kings 15:17-22)	Josiah (2 Kings 22:1-23:30)				
Pekahiah (2 Kings 15:23-26)	Jehoahaz (Shallum) (2 Kings 23:31-35)				
Pekah (2 Kings 15:27-31)	Jehoiakim (2 Kings 23:36-24:7)				
Hoshea (2 Kings 17)	Jehoiachin (2 Kings 24:8-17; 25:27-30)				
	Zedekiah (2 Kings 24:18-25:26)				



How Prophets were perceived

• 2 Kings 9:11 – "Why did this mad fellow come to you?"

[2Ki 9:1, 4, 11-13 ESV] 1 Then Elisha the prophet called one of the sons of the prophets and said to him, "Tie up your garments, and take this flask of oil in your hand, and go to Ramoth-gilead. ... 4 So the young man, the servant of the prophet, went to Ramoth-gilead. ... 11 When Jehu came out to the servants of his master, they said to him, "Is all well? **Why did this mad fellow come to you?"** And he said to them, "You know the fellow and his talk." 12 And they said, "That is not true; tell us now." And he said, "Thus and so he spoke to me, saying, 'Thus says the LORD, I anoint you king over Israel." 13 **Then in haste every man of them took his garment and put it under him on the bare steps, and they blew the trumpet and proclaimed, "Jehu is king.**"

Many prophets faced rejection, persecution, and even death for delivering God's word. Examples include Isaiah being sawed in two, Jeremiah being stoned, and John the Baptist being beheaded.

Jesus

[Mar 3:20-22 ESV] 20 Then he went home, and the crowd gathered again, so that they could not even eat. 21 And when his family heard it, they went out to seize him, for they were saying, "He is out of his mind." 22 And the scribes

who came down from Jerusalem were saying, "He is possessed by Beelzebul," and "by the prince of demons he casts out the demons."

Jhn 10:20 Many of them said, "He has a demon, and is insane; why listen to him?"

[Act 17:18 ESV] 18 Some of the Epicurean and Stoic philosophers also conversed with him. And some said, "What does this babbler wish to say?" Others said, "He seems to be a preacher of foreign divinities"--because he was preaching Jesus and the resurrection.

[Act 26:24 ESV] 24 And as he was saying these things in his defense, Festus said with a loud voice, "Paul, you are out of your mind; your great learning is driving you out of your mind."

[1Co 4:10 ESV] 10 We are fools for Christ's sake, but you are wise in Christ. We are weak, but you are strong. You are held in honor, but we in disrepute.

[2Co 5:13 ESV] 13 For if we are beside ourselves, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you.