

Divided Kingdom (Northern Israel)
931-722BC
1 Kings 12-2 Kings 11; 2 Chron. 10-23
Lesson # 8

Introduction:

Today we will see God's people how they divide against themselves and have a split. 10 tribes will go to the north and be called Israel, while 2 tribes remain in the south and will be called Judah. Our focus in this lesson will be on the northern group Israel. We will look at their first king Jeroboam (Son of Nebat) to see how they get started. At the end of this lesson we will see Israel be carried off into Assyrian captivity (722 BC) never to return.

Lesson:

I. Final Capital city was Samaria, made under Omri 1 Kings 16:24

II. There were 19 Kings9 Dynasties

1 -Jeroboam (Son of Nebat)	11-Jehoahaz
2 -Nadab	12-Jehoash
3 -Baasha	13-Jeroboam II
4 -Elah	14-Zechariah
5 -Zimri	15-Shallum
6 -Omri	16-Menahem
7 -Ahab	17-Pekahiah
8 -Ahaziah	18-Pekah
9 -Jeroram	19-Hoshea
10-Jehu	

III. There were 5 prophets of Israel

- 1- Elijah.....to come (Malachi)fulfilled in John the baptist
- 2- Elisha
- 3- Jonah Sent to Nineveh which was the royal city of Assyria
- 4- Amos Announced the captivity of Israel
- 5- Hosea God heart broke over marriage with Israel

*Main job was to warn Israel to turn back to God.

IV. 1st King was Jeroboam (Son of Nebat)

- Wicked
- He made new gods and stopped Israel from going to Jerusalem for worship.
 - 1 Kings 12:25-33
- Priest and Levites flee to Jerusalem 2 Chronicles 11:13-14
- Jeroboam appoints anyone to be priests for his false gods 1 Kings 13:4-6
- Set the tone for all 19 kings

- VII. Ahab and Jezebel (daughter of a Sidonian(Phoenician) king) 1 Kings 16:31
- Elijah tells Ahab no rain except at my word 1 Kings 17:1
 - Jezebel starts killing all the prophets of God 1 Kings 18:2-6
 - show down on Mount Carmel 1 Kings 18:16-21
 - 450 prophets of baal & 400 of ashera
 - Elijah had these prophets killed 1 Kings 18:40
- VIII. Destruction happened slowly
- Ben Hadad King of Syria (Aram) laid siege against Israel
 - People ate their children 2 Kings 6:24-31
 - Israel reduced in size 2 Kings 10:32,33
 - Tiglath-Pileser (Assyrian King) comes and takes Reuben, Gad, Manasseh into Captivity 2 Kings 15:29 & 1 Chronicles 5:23-26
 - Israel carried off into captivity by Assyrian king Shalmaneser V in 722 BC
 - With hooks in noses Amos 4:2, 2 Kings 19:28, 2 Chronicles 33:11

Conclusion:

Northern Israel turned away from God at their conception. They continued against him and God raised up the Assyrians as his vessel to squash them. They were deported and to Assyria where they live as descendants to this very day. They never were brought back by God. Samaria was repopulated by the Assyrians with foreigners, but lions attacked them so a priest was sent to help them learn to worship God. Hence by the time of Christ the Samaritans reminded God's people of division and were seen as half breeds.