

1 Kings 14

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14 At that time Abijah the son of Jeroboam fell sick.

²And Jeroboam said to his wife, Arise, I pray thee, and disguise thyself, that thou be not known to be the wife of Jeroboam; and get thee to Shiloh: behold, there is Ahijah the prophet, which told me that I should be king over this people. (Ahijah was a true prophet of God, living in Judah)

(Jeroboam had no confidence in his own false gods. He had done all of that he did just to remain in power in Israel. This is proof that he knew he was going against the true God. That's why he told his wife to disguise herself to seek the true prophet in order to petition the true God for help)

³And take with thee ten loaves, and cracknels, and a cruse of honey, and go to him: he shall tell thee what shall become of the child.
(cracknels = cakes)

(He is trying to con God and this prophet by disguising his wife as a common woman. Jeroboam is a fool)

⁴And Jeroboam's wife did so, and arose, and went to Shiloh, and came to the house of Ahijah. But Ahijah could not see; for his eyes were set by reason of his age. (Ahiah's physical eyes are shut due to age, but his spiritual eyes are open. Jeroboam's eyes are just the opposite)

⁵And the LORD said unto Ahijah, Behold, the wife of Jeroboam cometh to ask a thing of thee for her son; for he is sick: thus and thus shalt thou say unto her: for it shall be, when she cometh in, that she shall feign herself to be another woman. (She is a liar and con-woman, asking God for help)

⁶And it was so, when Ahijah heard the sound of her feet, as she came in at the door, that he said, Come in, thou wife of Jeroboam; why feignest thou thyself to be another? for I am sent to thee with heavy tidings. (No one fools God. Ahijah will not have any good news for her)

⁷Go, tell Jeroboam, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, Forasmuch as I exalted thee from among the people, and made thee prince over my people Israel, (God blessed Jeroboam and made him a king over the

10 tribes. He responded by betraying God and leading Israel into idol worship)

⁸ And rent the kingdom away from the house of David, and gave it thee: and yet thou hast not been as my servant David, who kept my commandments, and who followed me with all his heart, to do that only which was right in mine eyes; (Jeroboam is no David. He is a miserable failure in God's eyes)

⁹ But hast done evil above all that were before thee: for thou hast gone and made thee other gods, and molten images, to provoke me to anger, and hast cast me behind thy back: (as in Ezekiel-35, this is a scornful contempt of God by Jeroboam. The two golden calves were an insult to God, who raised Jeroboam from a servant to a king)

¹⁰ Therefore, behold, I will bring evil upon the house of Jeroboam, and will cut off from Jeroboam him that pisseth against the wall, and him that is shut up and left in Israel, and will take away the remnant of the house of Jeroboam, as a man taketh away dung, till it be all gone. (evil = calamity, disaster)

(This is what God thought of the house of Jeroboam, at this point. HE will end the seed line of Jeroboam. Jeroboam got what he wanted; and then had no problem in betraying God and leading Israel into idolatry; just so he could hang on to power)

NOTE: (We see this type of behavior today as well. People will sell their souls in order to get rich and / or famous in this short flesh life. They are as foolish as Jeroboam was)

¹¹ Him that dieth of Jeroboam in the city shall the dogs eat; and him that dieth in the field shall the fowls of the air eat: for the LORD hath spoken it. (They won't even receive a decent burial. Their dead bodies will be eaten by scavengers) Deuteronomy-28:26

¹² Arise thou therefore, get thee to thine own house: and when thy feet enter into the city, the child shall die. (Judgment from God)

¹³ And all Israel shall mourn for him, and bury him: for he only of Jeroboam shall come to the grave, because in him there is found some good thing toward the LORD God of Israel in the house of Jeroboam. (It's not written, but Jeroboam's son must have had some regard for the true God. Also, the people would have seen him as the heir apparent to the throne)

¹⁴ Moreover the LORD shall raise him up a king over Israel, who shall cut off the house of Jeroboam that day: but what? even now. (The LORD was now raising up someone to replace Jeroboam and his progeny even as the prophet spoke these words – better translation)

¹⁵ For the LORD shall smite Israel, as a reed is shaken in the water, and he shall root up Israel out of this good land, which he gave to their fathers, and shall scatter them beyond the river, because they have made their groves, provoking the LORD to anger. (Even today, we are scattered throughout Europe & America) (The river is the Euphrates. They will be taken captive by the Assyrians)

(They worshipped Ashteroth <a male phallic symbol> in their groves and had orgies to Ishtar. The western <Christian> nations still celebrate Easter, instead of Passover, to this day)

¹⁶ And he shall give Israel up because of the sins of Jeroboam, who did sin, and who made Israel to sin. Deuteronomy-29:26-28, Joshua-23:15-16 (It wasn't just Jeroboam who was an idolater. The people were all into idolatry. They didn't need much convincing from Jeroboam)

NOTE: (Never follow any man or woman preacher. Follow God and He will save you. Study God's Word and live by it; not by some preacher's sermon)

¹⁷ And Jeroboam's wife arose, and departed, and came to Tirzah: and when she came to the threshold of the door, the child died;

¹⁸ And they buried him; and all Israel mourned for him, according to the word of the LORD, which he spake by the hand of his servant Ahijah the prophet. (God's word always comes true, just as He spoke it)

¹⁹ And the rest of the acts of Jeroboam, how he warred, and how he reigned, behold, they are written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel. (These wars were border skirmishes with Judah, but no all-out war) 2Chronicles-13

²⁰ And the days which Jeroboam reigned were two and twenty years: and he slept with his fathers, and Nadab his son reigned in his stead. (It is believed that Nadab ruled the last two years of Jeroboam's reign)

NOTE: (22 – The number for disorganization and disintegration – linked to Jeroboam and Ahab; two of the worst kings of Israel)

2Chronicles-13:20 (The LORD struck Jeroboam that he died; possibly by some disease)

²¹ And Rehoboam the son of Solomon reigned in Judah. Rehoboam was forty and one years old when he began to reign, and he reigned seventeen years in Jerusalem, the city which the LORD did choose out of all the tribes of Israel, to put his name there. And his mother's name was Naamah an Ammonitess. (Naamah = loveliness; she was one of Solomon's heathen wives)

(Ammonites were descended from Lot – but they were not worshippers of Yahoveh. They worshipped idols)

²² And Judah did evil in the sight of the LORD, and they provoked him to jealousy with their sins which they had committed, above all that their fathers had done. (Not much better than what is going on in Israel. This is the result of Solomon bringing in heathen women and their families (600 wives and 300 concubines of the heathen nations)

2Chronicles-11:17 (Rehoboam did right by the Lord for the first three years of his reign. Then he went bad, like his father)

NOTE: (Look at the US today, bringing in heathen Muslims and throwing God out of public schools. And look at the result – a generation of atheist children; the loss of our standard of living; rampant poverty and homelessness; corruption in every branch of government)

²³ For they also built them high places, and images, and groves, on every high hill, and under every green tree. (They got into idol worship with all their hearts. They even brought idols into the temple of God)

NOTE: (Today, Muslims are using Saudi money to raise mosques all over the US and Europe)

²⁴ And there were also sodomites in the land: and they did according to all the abominations of the nations which the LORD cast out before the children of Israel. (Sodomites were homosexual male prostitutes. Look at the perverted left, with their gay & trans communities in the west today. There are homosexual members of congress. The media is rife with them also)

NOTE: (The Washington Monument is a giant phallic symbol in the heart of the capital of the US. It was built in 1848)

²⁵ And it came to pass in the fifth year of king Rehoboam, that Shishak king of Egypt came up against Jerusalem: (Without God's protection, Judah was attacked by their enemies. They chose to leave God, so He left them) see Leviticus-26:23-24

²⁶ And he took away the treasures of the house of the LORD, and the treasures of the king's house; he even took away all: and he took away all the shields of gold which Solomon had made.

2Chronicles-12 (Shishak and his allies took all the treasures of the temple and of the king's house. They also took all the fortified cities in Judah before he went back to Egypt)

NOTE: (The relics of Solomon's inflated ego didn't even survive for one generation after he had died)

²⁷ And king Rehoboam made in their stead brasen shields, and committed them unto the hands of the chief of the guard, which kept the door of the king's house. (He replaced the golden shields with copper ones. So much for the legacy of Solomon; his idolatry and perversion began the demise of Israel)

²⁸ And it was so, when the king went into the house of the LORD, that the guard bare them, and brought them back into the guard chamber. (Rehoboam was a pompous fool and an elitist. He was part of the golden spoon generation during Solomon's days)

NOTE: (Strong men make good times; good times make weak men; weak men make bad times; bad times make strong men. It's not Biblical, but it sure rings true, down through the generations)

²⁹ Now the rest of the acts of Rehoboam, and all that he did, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?
2Chronicles-12

³⁰ And there was war between Rehoboam and Jeroboam all their days.
(Border skirmishes)

³¹ And Rehoboam slept with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers in the city of David. And his mother's name was Naamah an Ammonitess. And Abijam his son reigned in his stead. (Abijam = worshipper of Yah; unfortunately for Judah, Abijam didn't care about Yah)

NOTE: (One bad king <Solomon> turned Israel from a righteous and prosperous country into a divided nation of perverts and idolaters. Bad president after bad president did the same to the US)