

A stack of two ornate, antique books with a crown on top, set against a dark background. The books are bound in dark leather with intricate metal clasps. The crown is made of gold with large, clear gemstones. The scene is lit from the right, creating a dramatic glow on the books and the crown.

The Kings of Israel

Lesson #42

In our last study:

The family of Jeroboam was punished for his sin.

Rehoboam's reign was plagued with problems due to his sin before coming to an end.

In this
study:

Rehoboam's reign is plagued with problems due to his sin before coming to an end.
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Abijah (Abijam) Reigns in Judah (915 BC – 913BC)

Rehoboam's reign is plagued with problems due to his sin before coming to an end.

As punishment
for his sin,
Shishak, king of
Egypt, invades
Rehoboam's
kingdom.

2 Chronicles 12:1 – 2

1 Kings 14:25 – 27

2 Chronicles 12:12

2 Chronicles 12:13 – 14 (ESV)

13 So King Rehoboam grew strong in Jerusalem and reigned. Rehoboam was forty-one years old when he began to reign, and he reigned seventeen years in Jerusalem, the city that the LORD had chosen out of all the tribes of Israel to put his name there. His mother's name was Naamah the Ammonite. 14 And he did evil, for he did not set his heart to seek the LORD.

1 Kings 14:29 – 31 (ESV)

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? 30 And there was war between Rehoboam and Jeroboam continually. 31 And Rehoboam slept with his fathers and was buried with his fathers in the city of David. His mother's name was Naamah the Ammonite. And Abijam his son reigned in his place.

2 Chronicles 12:15 – 16 (ESV)

15 Now the acts of Rehoboam, from first to last, are they not written in the chronicles of Shemaiah the prophet and of Iddo the seer? There were continual wars between Rehoboam and Jeroboam. 16 And Rehoboam slept with his fathers and was buried in the city of David, and Abijah his son reigned in his place.

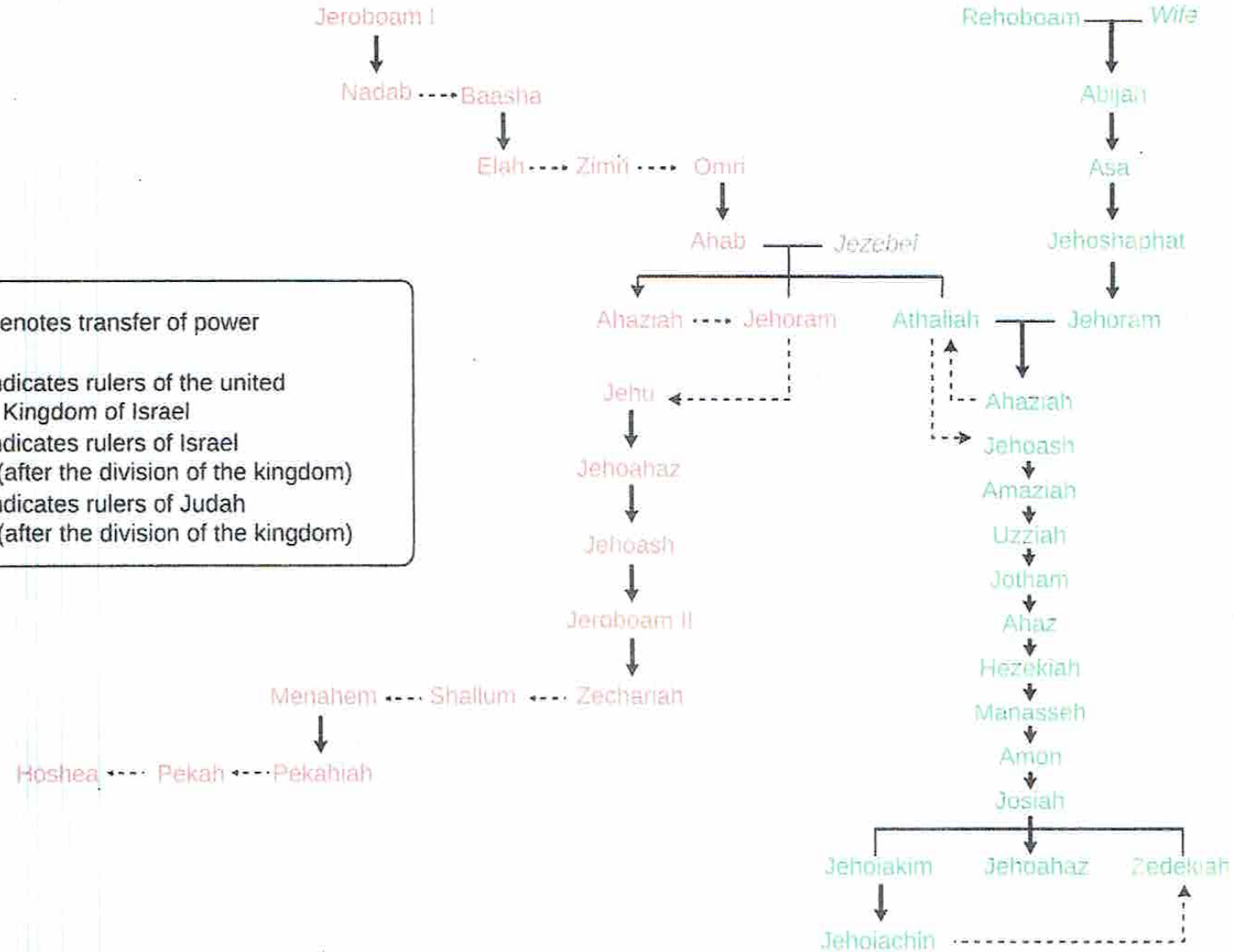
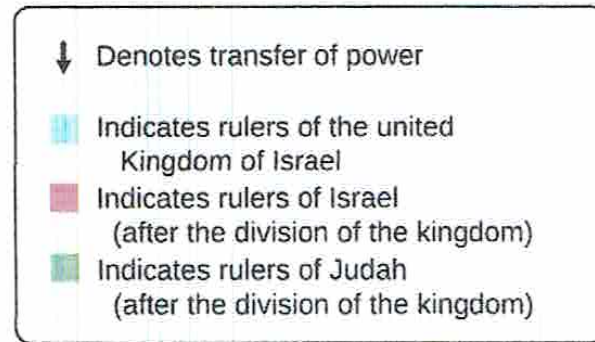
Abijah (Abijam) Reigns in Judah

(915 BC – 913 BC)

2 Chronicles 13:1 – 2 (ESV)

1 In the eighteenth year of King Jeroboam, Abijah began to reign over Judah. 2 He reigned for three years in Jerusalem. His mother's name was Micaiah the daughter of Uriel of Gibeah. Now there was war between Abijah and Jeroboam.

The Genealogy of the Kings of Ancient Israel and Judah



KINGS

of Israel and Judah

1 SAMUEL 8 – 2 CHRONICLES UNITED KINGDOM

 **Saul**
1050–1010 BC

 **David**
1010–970 BC



 **Solomon**
969–933 BC

After Solomon's death, his son Rehoboam sparked a revolt that divided the kingdom. In the Northern Kingdom, Jeroboam set up centers of calf worship in Dan and Bethel to discourage people from travelling to Jerusalem to worship. With that as the pattern, there was never a faithful king in the Northern Kingdom, although Jehu did some good things. The Southern Kingdom had a few kings the Lord called good, a few that were a mix of good and bad, and a few bad.

DIVIDED KINGDOM

Kings of Israel

The Northern Kingdom included the tribes of Asher, Dan, Ephraim, Gad, Issachar, Manasseh, Naphtali, Reuben, Simeon, and Zebulun.

 **Jeroboam I**  **Nadab**
931–910 BC 911–910 BC

 **Baasha**  **Elah**
910–887 BC 887–886 BC

 **Zimri**  **Tibni**
886 BC 886–880 BC



 **Omri**  **Ahab**
886–875 BC 875–854 BC



 **Ahaziah**  **Joram**
855–854 BC 854–843 BC

 **Jehu**  **Jehoahaz**
843–816 BC 820–804 BC

 **Joash**  **Jeroboam II**
806–790 BC 790–749 BC

 **Zechariah**  **Shallum**
748 BC 748 BC

 **Menahem**  **Pekahiah**
748–738 BC 738–736 BC

 **Pekah**  **Hoshea**
748–730 BC 730–721 BC

Kings of Judah

The Southern Kingdom included the tribes of Judah and Benjamin.

 **Rehoboam**  **Abijah**
933–916 BC 915–913 BC

 **Asa**  **Jehoshaphat**
912–872 BC 874–850 BC



 **Jehoram**  **Ahaziah**
850–843 BC 843 BC

 **Athaliah**  **Joash**
Queen 843–837 BC 843–803 BC

 **Amaziah**  **Uzziah**
803–775 BC 787–735 BC

 **Jotham**  **Ahaz**
749–734 BC 741–726 BC

 **Hezekiah**  **Manasseh**
726–697 BC 697–642 BC

 **Amon**  **Josiah**
641–640 BC 639–608 BC

 **Jehoahaz**  **Jehoiakim**
608 BC 608–597 BC

 **Jehoiachin**  **Zedekiah**
597 BC 597–586 BC

1 Kings 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.

1 Kings 15:6 (ESV)

*6 Now there was war between Rehoboam and Jeroboam all
the days of his life.*

2 Chronicles 13:2 (ESV)

2 He reigned for three years in Jerusalem. His mother's name was Micaiah the daughter of Uriel of Gibeah. Now there was war between Abijah and Jeroboam.

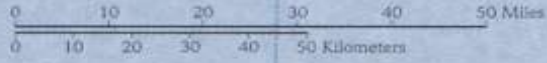
A Stark Contrast in Worship

2 Chronicles 13:8 – 12

2 Chronicles 13:18 – 20 (ESV)

18 Thus the men of Israel were subdued at that time, and the men of Judah prevailed, because they relied on the LORD, the God of their fathers. 19 And Abijah pursued Jeroboam and took cities from him, Bethel with its villages and Jeshanah with its villages and Ephron with its villages. 20 Jeroboam did not recover his power in the days of Abijah. And the LORD struck him down, and he died.

- Israel
- Judah
- International roads
- Local roads



2 Chronicles 13:21 – 22 (ESV)

21 But Abijah grew mighty. And he took fourteen wives and had twenty-two sons and sixteen daughters. 22 The rest of the acts of Abijah, his ways and his sayings, are written in the story of the prophet Iddo.

1 Kings 15:7 – 8 (ESV)

7 The rest of the acts of Abijam and all that he did, are they not written in the Book of the Chronicles of the Kings of Judah? And there was war between Abijam and Jeroboam. 8 And Abijam slept with his fathers, and they buried him in the city of David. And Asa his son reigned in his place.

The image features three glass chess pieces on a white surface. In the center is a king piece with a cross-shaped top. To its left is a pawn piece with a rounded top. To its right is another pawn piece, also with a rounded top. The pieces are made of clear glass and are slightly out of focus, with soft shadows cast on the surface below them. The background is a plain, light-colored surface.

In our next study, we will continue
examining the period of the divided
Kingdom!