

# 2 Kings

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## **I. Judah and Israel continued as divided kingdoms - 1:1-17:41**

### **A. The reign of Ahaziah in Israel - 1:1-18**

#### **1. Ahaziah asked Elijah if he would live - 1:1-4**

**Moab rebelled against Israel after the death of Ahab**  
**Ahaziah fell through the lattice of his upper room in Samaria**  
*lattice - crossbars of interwoven reeds or wood to let in cool breezes*  
**Ahaziah was injured when he fell through that lattice**  
**Ahaziah sent messengers to inquire of Baal-zebub, the god of Ekron**  
*Baal-zebub was the false god of the Philistines - 2 Kings 1:2*  
**Ahaziah wanted to know if he would recover from his injury**  
**The Lord told Elijah to go and meet the messengers of Ahaziah**  
**Elijah was to ask the messengers if there was no God in Israel**  
**Elijah was to ask if that was why they were going to Baal-zebub**  
**Elijah then gave the answer that the Lord had given him**  
**The Lord said Ahaziah would not be healed but would surely die**

#### **2. Ahaziah tried to kill Elijah - 1:5-12**

**Ahaziah asked the messengers why they had returned to him**  
**The messengers said that a man came to meet them**  
**The messengers were told what to tell the king**  
**He was to be asked if he sent them because there was no God in Israel**  
**The king was then to be told that he would surely die**  
**The king asked what kind of a man told them these words**  
**The messengers said it was "A hairy man wearing a leather belt"**  
**The king then said, "It is Elijah the Tishbite."**  
*Elijah had also prophesied against his father - 1 Kings 21:21-25*  
*Ahaziah followed the sins of his father and mother - 1 Kings 22:52*  
**The king sent fifty men to where Elijah was sitting on top of a hill**  
**They told him, "Man of God, the king has said, 'Come down!'"**  
**Elijah said if he was a man of God, then let fire come from heaven**  
**Fire came from heaven and consumed the captain and his fifty**  
**The king sent another captain of fifty and his fifty men**  
**The captain said, "Man of God, thus has the king said, 'Come down quickly!'"**  
**Elijah answered the same thing he had answered the first group**  
**Then the fire of God came down and consumed the second fifty**

### **3. Ahaziah had one captain who recognized the power of God - 1:13-16**

#### **a. One captain of Ahaziah feared God - 1:13-14**

**Ahaziah sent a third captain of fifty with fifty men  
This third captain came and fell on his knees before Elijah  
The third captain pleaded for his own life  
This third captain showed that he had respect for God and for Elijah  
The third captain pleaded for the lives of the fifty men  
He said may these "...servants of yours be precious in your sight."  
He explained that he knew that the fire had come from heaven  
He knew that the fire burned up the first two captains  
He knew that the fire burned up their fifties  
He asked that his life might be precious in the sight of Elijah**

#### **b. One captain protected Elijah when he spoke to Ahaziah - 1:15-16**

**The angel of the Lord then spoke to Elijah  
The angel of the Lord told Elijah to go with this captain  
The Lord told Elijah not to be afraid of this captain  
Elijah then went down with him to the king  
Elijah then spoke to Ahaziah the king  
The Lord gave the judgment for sending messengers to Baal-zebub  
The Lord asked if Ahaziah thought there was no God in Israel  
Ahaziah was asked why he did not inquire of the God of Israel  
Ahaziah was told that he would not leave his bed  
Ahaziah was told that he would surely die**

### **4. Ahaziah died and was buried - 1:17-18**

**Ahaziah died according to the word of the Lord  
The Lord fulfilled the word He had spoken through Elijah  
Ahaziah did not have a son to become the king when he died  
Jehoram, another son of Ahab, became king in his place  
Ahab and Jezebel both served Baal and worshiped him - 1 Kings 16:31  
God said the whole house of Ahab would die - 2 Kings 9:8  
This happened during the second year Jehoram, the king of Judah  
Jehoram, the king of Judah, was the son of Jehoshaphat  
The rest of the acts of Ahaziah are written in the chronicles of Israel**

## **B The reign of Jehoram (Joram) in Israel - 2:1-8:15**

### **1. The ministry of Elijah was completed - 2:1-11**

#### **a. Elijah prepared to go to heaven - 2:1-8**

##### **1) the sons of the prophets said the Lord would take Elijah that day - 2:1-5**

**The Lord was about to take Elijah to heaven by a whirlwind  
Elijah went with Elisha from Gilgal  
Elijah told Elisha to stay there as the Lord had sent him to Bethel  
Elisha said, "As the Lord lives and as your soul lives, I will not leave you!"  
Elijah and Elisha then went together down to Bethel  
The sons of the prophets in Bethel came and spoke to Elisha  
They told Elisha that the Lord would take away his master that day  
Elisha said that he knew and told them to keep silent  
Elijah told Elisha to stay there as the Lord had sent him to Jericho  
Elisha said, "As the Lord lives and as your soul lives, I will not leave you!"  
Then Elijah and Elisha traveled together to Jericho  
The sons of the prophets in Jericho came and spoke to Elisha  
They also told Elisha the Lord would take away his master that day  
Elisha also told them he knew and told them to keep silent**

##### **2) Elisha crossed the Jordan River with Elijah when he crossed - 2:6-8**

**Elijah told Elisha a third time to stay as the Lord had sent him to Jordan  
Elisha said, "As the Lord lives and as your soul lives, I will not leave you!"  
Then Elijah and Elisha traveled on their way  
Fifty men of the sons of the prophets stood facing them at a distance  
Elijah and Elisha then stood by the Jordan River  
Elijah took his robe, rolled it up and struck the water  
The river divided so Elijah and Elisha crossed over on dry ground**

#### **b. Elijah was taken by a chariot of fire to heaven - 2:9-11**

**After they were across, Elijah asked Elisha what he could do for him  
Elisha said, "Please let a double portion of your spirit be upon me."  
Elijah said that Elisha had asked for a hard thing  
Elijah said it would only happen if Elisha saw the Lord take him  
Suddenly a chariot of fire appeared with horses of fire and separated them  
Elijah then went up by a whirlwind into heaven**

## 2. The ministry of Elisha - 2:12-8:15

### a. Elisha received a double portion of Elijah's ministry - 2:12-14

**Elisha cried, "My father, my father, the chariot of Israel and its horsemen!"**  
**Elisha did not see Elijah any more after the chariot was out of sight**  
**Elisha took his own clothes and tore them into two pieces**  
**Elisha also took the robe of Elijah that had fallen from him**  
**Elisha then went back and stood on the bank of the Jordan**  
**Elisha took the robe of Elijah and struck the water**  
**Elisha then said, "Where is the Lord God of Elijah?"**  
**Elisha then struck the water and it was divided this way and that**  
**Then Elisha crossed over the river as he and Elijah did earlier**

### b. Elisha began his ministry - 2:15-25

#### 1) the Lord brought the prophets to meet Elisha - 2:15-18

**The sons of the prophets from Jericho saw Elisha cross the river**  
**The sons of the prophets said, "The spirit of Elijah rests of Elisha."**  
**The sons of the prophets said they were fifty strong men**  
**They asked if they could go and search for Elijah**  
**They said the Spirit of the Lord may have taken him**  
**The Spirit of the Lord may have cast him on a mountain or a valley**  
**Elisha told them not to send anyone**  
**They kept urging him until he was ashamed and said, "Send them"**  
**They searched for three days and did not find Elijah**  
**Then they came back to Elisha who had stayed at Jericho**  
**Elisha said to them, "Did I not say to you, 'Do not go'?"**

#### 2) the Lord healed the water through Elisha - 2:19-22

**The men of the city said it was a pleasant city**  
**The men of the city said the water was bad and the ground was barren**  
**Elisha had them bring him a new bowl with salt in it**  
**Elisha went to the source of the water and cast the salt in it**  
**Elisha said that he had healed the water and the land**  
**The water remained healed from that time**  
**This healed the curse of Joshua - Joshua 6:26**

**3) the Lord judged the young men who mocked Elisha - 2:23-25**

**Elisha then went up the road from Jericho to Bethel  
Some youths from the city of Bethel came and mocked Elisha  
They said, "Go up, you baldhead! Go up, you baldhead!"  
Elisha then turned around and looked at them  
Elisha then pronounced a curse on them in the name of the Lord  
The Lord answered by sending two bears to maul the 42 youths  
Elisha went from there to Mount Carmel and back to Samaria**

**c. Elisha gave a warning to Jehoram - 3:1-27**

**1) Jehoram was not as evil as his parents - 3:1-3**

**Jehoram the son of Ahab became king over Israel at Samaria  
This happened in the eighteenth year of Jehoshaphat king of Judah  
Jehoram did evil in the sight of the Lord  
Jehoram was not evil like his father and mother  
Jehoram put away the sacred pillar of Baal his father had made  
Jehoram continued to persist in the sins of Jeroboam  
Jehoram and Israel did not depart from those sins**

**2) Jehoram went to fight against Moab - 3:4-8**

**Mesha, the king of Moab was a sheep breeder  
Mesha regularly paid the king of Israel 100,000 lambs  
Mesha also paid the king of Israel the wool of 100,000 rams  
Mesha rebelled against the king of Israel after Ahab died  
Jehoram then mustered all of the men of Israel  
Jehoram also sent a message to Jehoshaphat King of Judah  
Jehoram said Moab had rebelled against him  
Jehoram asked Jehoshaphat if he would go with him against Moab  
Jehoshaphat said that he would go up with Jehoram against Moab  
Jehoshaphat said that his people were like Jehoram's people  
Jehoshaphat said his horses were like Jehoram's horses  
Jehoshaphat asked what way they should go to Moab  
Jehoram said to go through the Wilderness of Edom  
This meant their armies would come from the south into Moab  
Mesha had his army on the north border to protect Moab**



**3) Jehoram was promised victory for the sake of Jehoshaphat - 3:9-19**

**a) The kings could find no water as they traveled - 3:9-11**

**The kings of Israel, Judah and Edom went together to fight Moab  
They marched the route south of the Dead Sea for seven days  
They found no water for the army with them  
They found no water for the animals with them  
The king of Israel thought the Lord had called the three for evil  
The king of Israel thought God would deliver them to Moab  
Jehoshaphat asked if there was any prophet of the Lord there  
Jehoshaphat wanted to inquire of the Lord by a prophet**

**b) The kings went to Elisha for advice - 3:11-14**

**One of the servants of the king of Israel answered  
He said that Elisha the son of Shaphat was with them  
He said he had served Elijah during his ministry  
Jehoshaphat said, "The word of the Lord is with him."  
The three kings then went to Elisha to talk to him  
Elisha said to the king of Israel, "What have I to do with you?"  
Elisha told him to go to the prophets of his father and mother  
The king of Israel said the Lord had called the three kings together  
The king said the Lord wanted to deliver them to the king of Moab  
Elisha said that he had respect for Jehoshaphat the king of Judah  
Elisha said he would not look at the King of Israel or see him**

**c) The kings were told that the Lord would provide water - 3:15-19**

**Elisha said to bring a musician to him  
The Lord came on Elisha as the musician played  
The Lord said to make the valley full of ditches  
The Lord said that the kings would not see wind or rain  
They would see the valley filled with water so everyone could drink  
The Lord said that this was a simple thing for the Lord to do  
The Lord also said He would deliver Moab into their hand  
The Lord said to attack every fortified or choice city  
They were to cut down every good tree  
They were to stop the springs and put rocks on the land**

**4) Jehoram defeated the king of Moab - 3:20-27**

**a) The Lord provided water for the three kings - 3:20**

**The Lord provided water in the morning  
The Lord answered when the grain offering was offered  
The Lord suddenly sent water by way of Edom  
The Lord filled the valley with water**

**b) The Lord caused the Moabites to see the water as red as blood - 3:21-23**

**All of the Moabites heard that the kings had come to fight  
All who were able to bear arms and older were gathered  
These men stood at the border to fight against the kings  
The Moabites got up early in the morning  
The Moabites saw the sun shining on the water  
The Moabites saw the water on the other side as red as blood  
The Moabites thought that it was actually blood  
The Moabites thought the kings had fought against each other  
The Moabites thought the armies had killed each other  
The Moabites then went to gather the spoil**

**c) The Lord gave victory over the Moabites - 3:24-25**

**The Moabites came into the camp of Israel  
Israel rose up and attacked the Moabites  
The Moabites then fled from the camp of Israel  
Israel entered the land of the Moabites killing the Moabites  
Israel destroyed the cities of the Moabites  
Each man threw a stone on each good piece of land  
They stopped the springs and cut down the good trees  
Kir Haraseth, the capital of Moab was left intact**

**d) The king of Moab made his son a burnt offering - 3:26-27**

**The King of Moab saw the battle was too fierce for him  
The king and 700 men tried to defeat Edom but could not  
The king offered his son as a burnt sacrifice on the wall  
Israel then felt great wrath and returned to their own land**

**d. Elisha has a great ministry - 4:1-8:15**

**1) The ministry to a widow - 4:1-7**

**a) The widow told Elisha about her problem - 4:1-2**

**The wife of one of the sons of the prophets cried to Elisha  
The wife said that her husband had died  
The wife said Elisha knew her husband feared the Lord  
The wife said the creditor was coming to take her sons as slaves  
Elisha said to her, "What shall I do for you?"  
Elisha asked the widow what she had in the house  
The widow said she had nothing but a jar of oil**

**b) The widow was told to borrow as many containers as possible - 4:3-4**

**Elisha told the widow to go and borrow containers from everywhere  
Elisha told the widow to borrow from all her neighbors  
Elisha said that she was to borrow empty containers  
Elisha said to make certain she did not gather just a few  
Elisha told her what to do when she had all the containers  
Elisha told the widow to shut the door of her house  
Elisha told the widow to pour oil into all of those containers  
Elisha told her to set aside the containers as they became full**

**c) The widow saw the Lord provide for her needs - 4:5-7**

**The widow then left Elisha and went from him  
The widow shut the door behind her and her sons  
Her sons were the ones who brought the containers to her  
The widow then began pouring oil into all these containers  
The widow kept pouring until all of the containers were full  
The widow then asked her son to give her another container  
The son said that there were no more containers  
The widow saw then that the oil stopped increasing  
The woman had her faith rewarded by the containers she borrowed  
The widow came and told the man of God what had happened  
Elisha told the widow to go and sell the oil to pay her debt  
Elisha said she and her sons could live on the rest of the money**

**2) The ministry to the Shunammite woman - 4:8-37**

**a) The woman cared for Elisha - 4:8-11**

**One day Elisha went to the town of Shunem  
Elisha met a woman there who was a well known woman  
The woman invited Elisha to come to her house and have some food  
Elisha started eating at her home each time that he passed by  
The woman then told her husband,  
“...I know that this is a holy man of God, who passes by us regularly...”  
The woman suggested that they make a small upper room on the wall  
The woman said they could put a bed there for Elisha  
The woman also said to put a table, a chair and a lampstand there  
The woman said this would give Elisha a place to stay when he came by  
The woman said he could stay there and feel at home**

**b) The woman was promised a son 4:12-17**

**1] Elisha asked the woman what they could do for her - 4:12-13**

**Elisha came by and stopped at the house one day  
Elisha went up to his room and lay down there  
Elisha then spoke to Gehazi, his servant  
Elisha told Gehazi to go and call the Shunammite woman  
The woman came and stood before Elisha  
Elisha thanked the woman for the way she had provided for them  
Elisha then asked the woman, “...What can I do for you...”  
Elisha asked if he could speak to the king or army commander for her  
The woman answered, “I dwell among my own people.”**

**2] Elisha then asked his servant what they could do for the woman - 4:14-17**

**Elisha then asked his servant what they could do for the woman  
Gehazi said she had no child and her husband was old  
Elisha told Gehazi to go and call the woman and she stood in the doorway  
Elisha told her about that time the next year she would have a son  
The woman told Elisha, “...do not lie to your maidservant!”  
Later the woman conceived and gave birth to a son  
This happened at the time Elisha said the son would be born**

**c) The woman saw her son die - 4:18-30**

**1) The child grew and suddenly had his head begin to hurt one day - 4:18-19**

**The child grew old enough to go out to the field  
The boy went to the field to his father and the reapers  
The boy said to his father, "My head, my head!"  
Since this was harvest time it was probably quite hot  
The father told a servant, "Carry him to his mother."**

**2) The child was carried home where he died at noon - 4:20-22**

**The servant carried the child to his mother  
The boy sat on her knees till noon, and then died  
The mother laid the boy on the bed of the man of God  
The mother shut the door on him and then went out  
The woman called to her husband  
The woman asked him to send a young man with a donkey  
The woman said she was going to the man of God and then come back**

**3) The mother then went to Elisha at Mount Carmel - 4:23-26**

**The husband asked his wife, "Why are you going to him today..."  
The husband said it was not the New Moon or the Sabbath  
The woman just told her husband, "It is well."  
The woman had faith Elisha could raise her son from the dead  
The woman saddled a donkey and told the servant what to do  
The woman told the servant to go as fast as they could go  
The woman told the servant not to slow down until she told him  
The woman went to the man of God (Elisha) at Mount Carmel  
Depending on what part of the mountains, this was 15 to 25 miles  
The man of God saw her when she was still a distance away  
Elisha told Gehazi, "Look, the Shunammite woman..."  
Elisha told Gehazi to run to meet the woman  
Elisha said to ask her if everything was well with her  
Elisha said to ask if everything was well with her husband  
Elisha said to ask if everything was well with her child  
The woman told Gehazi, "It is well."  
She wanted to tell Elisha and not the servant about the child's death**

**4] The woman said she would not leave Elisha until he came - 4:27-30**

**The woman came to the man of God at the hill  
The woman caught Elisha by the feet  
Gehazi came to push her away from Elisha  
Elisha told Gehazi to leave her alone  
Elisha could see that she was in great sorrow  
The Lord had not shown Elisha what had happened to the boy  
The woman said, "Did I ask a son of my lord?"  
The woman said that she had told Elisha not to deceive her  
Elisha told Gehazi to take the staff of Elisha  
Elisha told Gehazi not to take the time to greet anyone as he went  
Elisha said not to answer if someone greeted him  
Elisha told Gehazi to lay his staff on the face of the child  
The woman told Elisha she would not leave unless he also went  
Then Elisha got up and followed the woman**

**d) The woman saw her son raised from the dead - 4:31-37**

**1] Gehazi laid his staff on the boy but nothing happened - 4:31**

**Gehazi laid the staff on the face of the child and nothing happened  
Gehazi then went back to Elisha as he was coming  
Gehazi told Elisha, "The child has not awakened."**

**2] God used Elisha to bring her son back to life - 4:32-37**

**Elisha came to the house and the child was lying dead on his bed  
Elisha went in the room, shut the door and prayed to the Lord  
Elisha went and lay on the child and put his mouth to the child's mouth  
Elisha stretched himself out on the child and the child became warm  
Elisha then walked back and forth in the house  
Elisha went up again and stretched himself on the child  
The child sneezed seven times and then opened his eyes  
Elisha told Gehazi, "Call this Shunammite woman."  
Elisha told the woman to pick up her son  
The woman went in and fell at the feet of Elisha  
The woman then bowed to the ground  
The woman picked up her son and went out**

### **3) The ministry of Elisha at Gilgal - 4:38-44**

#### **a) Elisha sent his servant to boil stew for the prophets - 4:38-39**

**Elisha returned to Gilgal**  
**During this time there was a famine in the land**  
**The sons of the prophets were sitting in front of Elisha**  
**Elisha told his servant to put a large pot on the stove**  
**Elisha told him to boil stew for the sons of the prophets**  
**One person went out to the field to gather herbs**  
**He found a wild vine and took from it a lapful of wild gourds**  
**He came and sliced the gourds into the pot of stew**  
**He did not know what kind the gourds were**

#### **b) Elisha purified the pot of stew so the prophets could eat - 4:40-41**

**The stew was served to the men to eat**  
**The men started eating the stew**  
**Then they cried, “Man of God, there is death in the pot!”**  
**The men realized that they could not eat the stew**  
**Elisha told the men to bring some flour**  
**Elisha put the flour in the pot of stew**  
**Elisha said to serve the stew because it could now be eaten**  
**There was now nothing harmful in the pot of stew**

#### **c) Elisha fed one hundred men with a knapsack of food - 4:42-44**

**A man came to Elisha from the town of Baal Shalisha**  
**This man brought Elisha the bread of the firstfruits**  
**This included 20 loaves of barley bread and fresh ears of grain**  
**These were small enough that they were all carried in his knapsack**  
**The man said to give this food to the prophets so they could eat**  
**The servant said this food would not be enough to feed the 100 men**  
**The man said again to give the food to the people so they could eat**  
**The man said this was the instruction of the Lord**  
**The Lord said the men would eat and there would be food left over**  
**The servant then gave the food to the 100 men**  
**There was some left just as the Lord had said**  
**Christ did the same with the multitude - John 6:1-14**

#### **4) The ministry to Naaman the leper - 5:1-27**

##### **a) Naaman heard about Elisha - 5:1-7**

##### **1) Naaman was commander of the army of Syria - 5:1-4**

**Naaman was the commander of the Syrian army  
Naaman was great and noble in the eyes of his master  
The Lord had given him military victory for Syria  
Naaman was a mighty man of valor  
Naaman was also a man who was a leper  
The Syrians captured a young girl from the land of Israel  
The young girl became the one who served Naaman's wife  
The young girl told the wife where Naaman could get help  
The young girl spoke about the prophet who was in Samaria  
The young girl said the prophet would heal Naaman of leprosy  
Naaman went in and told his master (the king) about this girl  
"Thus and thus said the girl who *is* from the land of Israel."  
The girl had said "prophet of Israel" which the king did not hear**

##### **2) Naaman was sent by the king to the king of Israel - 5:5-6**

**The king of Syria then gave Naaman instructions and said,  
"Go now, and I will send a letter to the king of Israel."  
Naaman departed and took with him ten talents of silver  
Naaman also took 6,000 shekels of gold and 10 changes of clothing  
This would be about 750 pounds of silver and 150 pounds of gold  
Naaman brought the letter to the king of Israel  
The king of Israel received the letter from Naaman  
The letter asked the king to heal Naaman of his leprosy**

##### **3) Naaman caused the king of Israel to become fearful - 5:7**

**The king of Israel read the letter from the king of Syria  
The king of Israel then tore his clothes  
The king of Israel said, "Am I God, to kill and make alive..."  
The king realized this would require a miracle by God  
The king knew he could not heal Naaman of his leprosy  
The king of Israel said the king of Syria was seeking a quarrel**



**b) Naaman obeyed and was healed - 5:8-14**

**1] Elisha asked the king to send Naaman to him - 5:8**

**Elisha heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes  
Elisha sent a message to the king of Israel  
Elisha asked, "Why have you torn your clothes..."  
Elisha said to send Naaman to him  
Elisha said so Naaman would know there was a prophet in Israel**

**2] Naaman was very angry when Elisha just sent a messenger - 5:9-12**

**Naaman went with his horses and chariot  
Naaman stood at the door of the house of Elisha  
Elisha just sent a messenger to speak to Naaman  
The messenger told him to go and wash in the Jordan seven times  
The messenger said his flesh would be restored and he would be clean  
Naaman became furious and went away  
Naaman expected the prophet to come out to him  
Naaman expected him to call on the name of the Lord his God  
Naaman expected him to wave his hand over the place and heal him  
Naaman said the waters of the rivers of Damascus were better  
Naaman wanted to know why he could not wash in them and be clean  
Naaman then went away in a rage**

**3] Naaman was persuaded to obey the instructions of Elisha - 5:13-14**

**The servants of Naaman then spoke to him  
The servants said he would have done it if the prophet asked something great  
The servants said the prophet only told him, "Wash, and be clean"  
Naaman then went down and dipped himself in the Jordan seven times  
Naaman obeyed the saying of the man of God  
Naaman had his flesh restored and he was clean**

**c) Naaman offered a reward to Elisha - 5:15-16**

**Naaman and all his aides returned and stood before Elisha  
Naaman said there was no God in all the earth except Israel  
Naaman wanted Elisha to take a gift from the things he had  
Elisha wanted to please the Lord and refused any gift**

**d) Naaman asked for two mule-loads of dirt - 5:17-19**

**Naaman asked, "...please let your servant be given two mule-loads of earth..."**

**Naaman said he would no longer sacrifice to other gods, but to the Lord**

**Naaman asked for pardon when he took his master to worship Rimmon**

**Naaman said the king leaned on his hand and he had to bow with him**

**Naaman asked that the Lord would pardon when he did this**

**Elisha told Naaman to "Go in peace."**

**e) Naaman was deceived by Gehazi - 5:20-27**

**1] Gehazi went after Naaman because of sin in his heart - 5:20-22**

**Gehazi looked at what Naaman had offered Elisha**

**Gehazi coveted when his master did not take anything**

**Gehazi sinned because his heart had coveted**

**Gehazi pursued Naaman and ran after him**

**Naaman stopped his chariot and got down to meet him**

**Gehazi lied about his reason for running after Naaman**

**Gehazi asked for a talent of silver and two changes of clothing**

**2] Gehazi took the things Naaman gave him and hid them - 5:23-25**

**Naaman gave Gehazi two talents of silver and two changes of clothing**

**Naaman sent two of his servants to bring these to Elisha**

**The two servants carried the bags ahead of Gehazi**

**Gehazi took the two bags from their hand**

**Gehazi then stored the bags in the house**

**Gehazi let the servants go and they departed**

**Gehazi went in and stood before Elisha**

**Elisha asked Gehazi where he had gone**

**Gehazi said he had not gone anywhere**

**3] Gehazi learned the consequences of his sin - 5:26-27**

**Elisha said his heart went with him when the man turned to Gehazi**

**Elisha asked if it was time to receive money, clothing or other things**

**Elisha said the leprosy would be on Gehazi and his family forever**

**Gehazi then went from the presence of Elisha covered with leprosy**

## 5) The ministry of Elisha in recovering the axhead - 6:1-7

### a) Elisha encouraged the sons of the prophets to build a larger place - 6:1-3

#### **The sons of the prophets came and spoke to Elisha**

These were the sons of the prophets living in Gilgal - 2 Kings 4:38

**They said the place where they lived with Elisha was too small**

There were 100 sons of the prophets living in Gilgal - 2 Kings 4:43

This number may have been growing since Elisha was teaching them

**They asked for permission to go to the Jordan to cut beams**

**They said that each man would take a beam from there**

**They said they would use the beams to make a place to live**

**Elisha told the sons of the prophets to go do as they said**

**One of the men asked Elisha to agree to go with them**

**Elisha told him that he would go with them**

This was an opportunity to teach them informally

### b) Elisha heard the borrowed ax head had fallen in the water - 6:4-5

**Then Elisha went with the sons of the prophets**

**Elisha and the sons of the prophets arrived at the Jordan**

**The sons of the prophets began cutting down trees**

**Something happened as one of the men was cutting a tree**

**The iron ax head fell into the water**

Iron was fairly rare in that day which made it expensive

**The young man immediately cried to Elisha, "Alas, master..."**

**He was concerned due to the fact the ax head was borrowed**

It would have been impossible for a poor student to repay the cost

### c) Elisha recovered the fallen ax head - 6:6-7

**Elisha asked where the ax head had fallen into the water**

**The young man showed Elisha the place it had happened**

**Elisha told the young man to cut off a stick and throw it there**

**The Lord caused the iron ax head to float**

This was a miracle because iron does not normally float

**Elisha told the young man to reach and, "Pick it up for yourself"**

Here we see it floated close to the edge of the river

**The young man reached out his hand and got the ax head**

**6) The ministry of Elisha in stopping Syria - 6:8-7:20**

**a) Syria had it's war plans revealed - 6:8-10**

**The king of Syria was making war against Israel**  
This was one of many conflicts between Israel and Syria  
**The king of Syria consulted with his servants**  
**The king of Syria told his servants where he would set up his camp**  
**Elisha (the man of God) told the king of Israel not to go near that place**  
**Elisha said that the Syrians were coming to that place**  
The Lord knows all the thoughts and actions of every person - Rev. 20:12  
**The king of Israel sent a spy to check the place that Elisha told him**  
The Lord is even able to reveal the secrets of the heart - Psalm 44:21  
**Elisha warned the king of Israel several different times**  
**The king of Israel made sure he guarded himself each time**

**b) The king of Syria was troubled by his secrets being revealed - 6:11-12**

**The heart of the king of Syria was greatly troubled by this**  
**The king of Syria called his servants to him and asked them,**  
**“Will you not show me which of us is for the king of Israel?”**  
**One of his servants said that none of them were guilty**  
**He said that Elisha the prophet was telling the king of Israel**  
Here we see that at least one servant knew who was telling  
However, he said nothing until the king asked what was happening  
**He said Elisha was able to tell what the king said in his bedroom**  
The king realized that someone was telling Israel his secrets

**c) Syria tried to capture Elisha - 6:13-23**

**1) The king of Syria sent a great army to capture Elisha - 6:13-14**

**The king of Syria said, “Go and see where he is...”**  
**The king of Syria said he would send and get him**  
**The king of Syria was told that Elisha was in Dothan**  
**The king sent horses, chariots and a great army there**  
This showed he had a great fear of what Elisha was telling  
**This army came during the night and surrounded the city**  
The king of Syria thought he could hide his actions by darkness

**2] The servant of Elisha was filled with fear - 6:15-17**

**The servant of Elisha got up early and went outside  
The servant saw that there was a great army around the city  
The servant told Elisha with great concern in his words  
The servant then asked Elisha, "...What shall we do?"  
Elisha told the servant not to fear the army  
Elisha said there were more with them than with the enemy  
Elisha prayed and asked the Lord to open the eyes of the servant  
The Lord then opened the eyes of the young man  
The servant saw the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire  
The armies of the Lord are only revealed when God chooses  
The servant saw that Elisha was surrounded and protected**

**3] The Syrian army was blinded - 6:18-20**

**The Syrian army then came down toward Elisha  
Elisha prayed and asked the Lord to strike the army with blindness  
The Lord struck the entire army with blindness as Elisha had said  
Elisha told the blind soldiers that this was not the way or the city  
Elisha said he would lead them to the man they were seeking  
Elisha led the entire army to the city of Samaria  
Elisha led the army inside the city of Samaria  
Elisha asked the Lord to open the eyes of the army  
The Lord opened their eyes and they were inside Samaria**

**4] The Syrian army was fed and sent home - 6:21-23**

**The king of Israel saw that they were inside the city  
The king of Israel asked Elisha if he should kill them  
Elisha told the king he was not to kill them  
Here we see that Elisha returned good for evil - Romans 12:21  
Elisha said he would not kill men he had captured  
Elisha said to give the army food and water  
Elisha told the king to send them back to their master  
The king prepared a feast for the army of Syria  
The men of the army then ate and drank  
The king then sent them back to their own king  
The Syrians stopped coming into the land of Israel**

**d) Syria tried to starve Samaria - 6:24-33**

**1] The Syrian army caused a great famine in Samaria - 6:24-25**

**Ben-Hadad king of Syria gathered all of his army  
Ben-Hadad went and besieged the city of Samaria  
This caused a lack of food and a great famine in Samaria  
The famine was so severe a donkey's head sold for one pound of silver  
A pint of dove's droppings sold for 2 ounces of silver**

**2] The king of Israel was asked for help by a woman - 6:26-30**

**The king of Israel was walking on the top of the wall  
A woman cried out to him, "Help, my lord, O king!"  
The king answered that if the Lord did not help her he could not  
The king could get nothing from the threshing floor or the winepress  
Then the king said to her, "What is troubling you?"  
The woman said that another woman had talked to her  
The other woman said, "...Give your son that we may eat him today..."  
Then other woman said, "...we will eat my son tomorrow"  
The woman talking to the king said, "So we boiled my son, and ate him."  
The next day she said, "Give your son, that we may eat him..."  
However, the other woman had hidden her son  
The king tore his clothes when he heard the words of the woman  
Then the king went on along the wall  
The people who looked saw that he had sackcloth under his robe**

**3] The king ordered the death of Elisha - 6:31-33**

**The king of Israel made an oath that he would kill Elisha  
The king said that his head would be removed that very day  
Elisha was sitting in his house and the elders were sitting with him  
The king sent a messenger ahead of him to the house of Elisha  
Before the messenger arrived, Elisha told why he was coming  
Elisha said the king had sent this messenger to take away his head  
Elisha said when he came to shut the door and hold him at the door  
Elisha said that the king would soon be behind him  
Elisha was still talking when the messenger arrived  
The king said the calamity was from the Lord  
The king said that he would not wait for the Lord any longer**

**e) Syria was driven away by the Lord - 7:1-11**

**1] The Lord would end the famine by that time the next day - 7:1-2**

**Elisha gave the king a message from the Lord about the next day  
The Lord said 7 quarts of flour would cost 2/5 ounce of silver  
The Lord said 14 quarts of barley would cost 2/5 ounce of silver  
The officer who advised the king answered Elisha, "Look, if the  
Lord would make windows in heaven, could this thing be?"  
Elisha told the officer he would see it but would not eat of it**

**2] The Lord led four lepers to the camp of the Syrians - 7:3-8**

**Four leprous men were living just outside the gate of the city  
The four men realized if they just sat there they would die  
They realized if they entered the city that they would die  
They realized if they kept sitting there they would die  
The four decided they would go and surrender to the Syrians  
They thought the Syrians might let them live  
They realized if the Syrians killed them they would only die  
They went at twilight to go to the camp of the Syrians  
They reached the outskirts of the camp and saw no one there  
The Lord had caused the Syrians to hear the noise of chariots and horses  
The Syrians thought it was a great army coming against them  
The Syrians thought Israel had hired the Hittites and Egyptians to attack  
The Syrians rose and fled from the camp at twilight  
They left everything in the camp and fled for their lives  
The lepers went into one tent and ate and drank  
Then they took silver, gold and clothing and went and hid them  
They entered another tent and did the same thing**

**3] The Lord used the lepers to bring good news to Samaria - 7:9-11**

**The leper realized that they were not doing what was right  
The lepers realized this was a day of good news for Samaria  
They realized punishment might come if they waited until the next day  
The lepers went to the gatekeepers of the city to tell them the news  
They said they went to the Syrian camp and there were no people  
They said everything else was in the camp so the gatekeepers told the king**

**f) Syria had their goods taken by Israel - 7:12-20**

**1] The king called a meeting of his servants in the night - 7:12**

**The king got up in the night and met with his servants  
The king told what he thought that the Syrians had done  
The king said that the Syrians knew that Samaria was hungry  
The king thought the Syrian had gone outside the camp and hidden  
The king thought the Syrians would catch them alive and get into the city**

**2] The king was given a suggestion by one of the servants - 7:13-16**

**One servant suggested that some men take five of the remaining horses  
They said otherwise they would be like the people who still remained  
They said or they may become like those who have already died  
They could at least send these men to check and see  
The king sent the men with two chariots with horses  
The king sent them in the direction of the Syrian army to see  
The men in the two chariots followed the Syrians to the Jordan  
They saw that the road was full of garments and weapons  
The Syrians had thrown these away in their hurry to escape  
The messengers returned and told the king what they had seen  
Then the people went out and plundered the tents of the Syrians  
Seven quarts of fine flour sold for 2/5 of an ounce of silver  
Fourteen quarts of barley sold for 2/5 ounce as the Lord had said**

**3] The death of the advisor of the king who did not believe - 7:17-20**

**The advisor of the king was placed in charge of the gate of the city  
The people trampled him in their hurry to get food and he died  
This fulfilled the word of Elisha to the advisor of the king  
The Lord also fulfilled the word of Elisha about the price of food  
The barley and the fine flour sold for the price Elisha said - 2 Kings 6:16  
The advisor did not believe Elisha when he said, "Now look, if the  
Lord would make windows in heaven, could such a thing be?"  
Elisha said that he would see this miracle with his eyes  
Elisha said the advisor would not get to eat any of that food  
He did not eat because the people trampled him to death  
This man reaped the consequences of his unbelief**



**7) The ministry of Elisha met another need of the Shunammite woman - 8:1-6**

**a) The woman was warned by Elisha of a coming famine - 8:1-2**

**Elisha talked to the woman whose son he restored to life**  
**Elisha told her to move her household to another place**  
**Elisha told her to stay wherever she could stay**  
**Elisha told her that the Lord had called for a famine in Israel**  
Famine only in Israel was a judgment of Israel - Deuteronomy 28:38-40  
**Elisha told her that the famine would last for seven years**  
**The woman followed the instructions of Elisha**  
**The woman moved her household to the land of the Philistines**  
**The woman and her family remained in that land for seven years**

**b) The woman made an appeal to the king for her house and land - 8:3-5**

**The woman returned to her home after seven years**  
**The woman made an appeal to the king for her house and land**  
**The king was talking to Gehazi when she went to talk to the king**  
**The king asked Gehazi a very important question,**  
**“Tell me, please, all the great things Elisha has done.”**  
**Gehazi was talking about the son who was restored from the dead**  
Gehazi had not seen the Lord work when he tried - 2 Kings 4:29-31  
**The woman arrived as Gehazi was telling the king about that event**  
Gehazi had been with Elisha when this event happened - 2 Kings 4:32-37  
**The woman came just then and appealed for her house and land**  
The timing of the Lord is always perfect as we yield to Him  
**Gehazi saw the woman and immediately told him about the woman**  
**Gehazi said, “My lord, O king, this *is* the woman,**  
**and this *is* her son whom Elisha restored to life.”**  
**The king then asked the woman and she told him about that event**

**c) The woman had her house and land restored - 8:6**

**The king appointed a certain officer for her**  
**The king told the officer, “Restore all that is hers...”**  
**The king also said to restore the proceeds of the field**  
This meant she also received the money for the use of the field  
**The king said the proceeds covered from the day she left to that day**

**8) the ministry of Elisha in Damascus - 8:7-15**

**a) Elisha went to the city of Damascus to take a message - 8:7-8**

**Elisha went to Damascus when Ben-Hadad was sick  
Ben-Hadad was told that the man of God was there  
The king gave instructions to Hazael about Elisha  
Hazael was told to take a present to Elisha  
Ben-Hadad told him to ask Elisha, "Shall I recover from this disease?"**

**b) Elisha was met by Hazael who asked about Ben-Hadad - 8:9-10**

**Hazael went to meet Elisha and had a present for Elisha  
The present included 40 camel loads of the good things of Damascus  
Hazael said Ben-Hadad had sent him to ask if he would recover  
Elisha said to tell him that he would recover  
Elisha knew this was a lie but also knew what Hazael planned to do  
Elisha then said, "However, the Lord has shown me that he will really die"**

**c) Elisha said that Hazael would become the king - 8:11-15**

**Elisha stared at Hazael until Hazael was ashamed  
Elisha knew that Hazael planned to kill Ben-Hadad - 2 Kings 8:15  
Elisha then began to weep in front of Hazael  
Hazael asked Elisha, "Why is my lord weeping?"  
Elisha said that he knew the evil Hazael would do to Israel  
Elisha said Hazael would set their strongholds on fire  
Elisha said Hazael would kill the young men with the sword  
Elisha said Hazael would dash their little ones in pieces  
Elisha said Hazael would rip open the women who were pregnant  
Hazael asked if Elisha was saying that he was a dog  
Hazael asked if he would do such a gross thing  
Elisha said the Lord had shown him Hazael would become king of Syria  
Hazael then departed from Elisha  
Ben-Hadad asked what Elisha had said about him  
Hazael answered, "He told me you would surely recover"  
The next day Hazael took a thick cloth and dipped it in water  
Hazael spread it over the face of Ben-Hadad so that he died  
Hazael then became the king in his place for the next 40 years**

### **C. The reign of Jehoram (Joram) in Judah - 8:16-24**

#### **1. Jehoram began his rule in the fifth year of Ahab king of Israel - 8:16-19**

**Joram, the son of Ahab became king in the fifth year of Jehoram  
Jehoshaphat had been the king in Judah  
Jehoram was the son of Jehoshaphat  
Jehoram began to rule as king of Judah  
Jehoram was 32 years old when he became the king  
Jehoram ruled for eight years in the city of Jerusalem  
Jehoram walked in the ways of the kings of Israel  
Jehoram did the same things that the house of Ahab did in Israel  
Ahab had done evil, served Baal and worshiped him - 1Kings 22:51-53  
Jehoram was married to the daughter of Ahab  
Solomon had also been turned from God by his wives - 1 Kings 11:4-6  
Jehoram did evil in the sight of the Lord  
The Lord would not destroy Judah for the sake of David  
The Lord had promised to give David and his sons a lamp forever  
This promise will be fully fulfilled by Christ - Luke 1:33**

#### **2. Jehoram saw both Edom and Libnah revolt against him - 8:20-22**

**Edom revolted against the authority of Judah over them  
Edom appointed their own king over themselves  
Jehoram went to Zair with all his chariots with him  
Jehoram rose up during the night and attacked the Edomites  
The Edomites had surrounded him and the captains of the chariots  
The troops then fled to their tents  
Edom was in revolt against Judah from that time  
Libnah also revolted against Judah at that time**

#### **3. Jehoram died and his son Ahaziah became the king - 8:23-24**

**The rest of the acts of Jehoram were written in the chronicles  
Those were the chronicles of the kings of Judah  
Jehoram died just as his fathers had died  
The Lord caused him to die at the age of forty - 2 Kings 8:17  
Jehoram was buried with his fathers in the City of David  
Ahaziah, his son, then became the king in his place**

#### **D. the reign of Ahaziah in Judah - 8:25-29**

##### **1. Ahaziah became the king in place of his father - 8:25-26**

**Ahaziah began his reign after his father died  
Ahaziah was twenty-two years old when he became king  
Ahaziah ruled for one year in Jerusalem  
Athaliah was the name of the mother of Ahaziah  
Athaliah was the granddaughter of Omri, king of Israel**

##### **2. Ahaziah walked in the ways of the house of Ahab - 8:27**

**Ahaziah walked in the way of the house of Ahab  
Ahaziah did evil in the sight of the Lord  
The evil Ahaziah did was like that of Ahab  
Ahaziah was the son-in-law of the house of Ahab  
Ahab was the son of Omri - 1 Kings 16:30  
His mother was the daughter of Ahab - 2 Kings 8:18**

##### **3. Ahaziah was wounded on the battlefield - 8:28-29**

**Ahaziah went with Joram, the son of Ahab to war  
The two kings went to fight against Hazael, the king of Syria  
This battle happened at Ramoth Gilead  
Joram was wounded during the battle  
King Joram went back to Jezreel to recover from the wounds  
These wounds had been caused by the Syrians at Ramah  
This happened during the battle with Hazael king of Syria  
Ahaziah went down to Jezreel to see Joram, the son of Ahab**

#### **E. the reign of Jehu in Israel - 9:1-10:36**

##### **1. Jehu was anointed to become the king of Israel - 9:1-13**

###### **a. Elisha sent one of the sons of the prophets to anoint Jehu - 9:1-2**

**Elisha called one of the sons of the prophets to him  
Elisha told him to take a flask of oil and go to Ramoth Gilead  
Elisha told him to find Jehu and take him to an inner room**

**b. The son of the prophet told Jehu to come into an inner room - 9:3-6**

**The young man was to take a flask of oil with him  
The young man was to pour the oil on the head of Jehu  
The young man was to say, "I have anointed you king over Israel."  
The young man was then to open the door and flee**

**c. The son of the prophet anointed Jehu to be the next king of Israel - 9:7-10**

**The young man went to Ramoth Gilead  
The young man saw the captains of the army sitting together  
The young man said, "I have a message for you, Commander."  
Jehu asked the young man, "For which one of us?"  
The young man then said, "For you, Commander."  
Jehu then got up and went into the house with the young man  
He poured the oil on Jehu's head and said,  
"Thus says the Lord God of Israel..."  
He said Jehu was to strike down the house of Ahab his master  
This was to avenge the blood of the Lord's servants, the prophets  
The was to avenge the blood of all who had been killed by Jezebel  
The whole house of Ahab was to be destroyed  
All the males of the house of Ahab were to be destroyed, slave or free  
The Lord would make the house of Ahab like the house of Jeroboam  
The dogs would eat Jezebel on the plot of ground in Jezreel  
There would be no one to bury the body of Jezebel  
The young man then opened the door and fled from the house**

**d. Jehu was anointed to be the next king of Israel - 9:11-13**

**Jehu then came out to the servants (captains) of King Joram  
One of them asked Jehu, "...Why did this madman come to you?"  
Jehu replied, "You know the man and his babble."  
The captain said that was a lie and to tell them the truth  
Then Jehu told them what the young man really said,  
"Thus says the Lord, 'I have anointed you king over Israel.'  
The other captains all took their garments and put them under Jehu  
The other captains then had the trumpets blown  
The other captains said "Jehu is king!"  
All the military captains immediately recognized Jehu as their new king**

**2. Jehu killed Joram the king of Israel - 9:14-26**

**a. Jehu rode to Jezreel where Joram was recovering - 9:14-16**

**Jehu then conspired against Joram the king of Israel  
Joram had been defending Ramoth Gilead against Hazael  
Joram had returned to Jezreel to recover from his wound  
Jehu told the captains if they agreed to let no one leave the city  
Jehu then rode in his chariot to go to Jezreel  
Joram was recovering and being visited by Ahaziah at that time**

**b. Jehu had two messengers come to meet him - 9:17-20**

**A watchman stood on the tower in Jezreel  
The watchman saw the company of Jehu as they came toward the city  
A horseman went to meet the company that was coming toward the city  
The horseman arrived and asked if Jehu came in peace  
Jehu told the horseman to follow him back to the city  
The watchman reported the messenger was not coming back  
A second horseman was sent to meet the company  
Jehu told the second horseman to also follow him  
The watchman said that this horseman was not coming back either  
The watchman said the chariot driver was driving furiously like Jehu**

**c. Jehu met the two kings on the property of Naboth the Jezreelite - 9:21-22**

**Joram and Ahaziah went out to meet the company in their own chariots  
They met Jehu on the property of Naboth the Jezreelite  
Joram asked Jehu if he came in peace  
Joram answered, "What peace as long as the harlotries of  
your mother Jezebel and her witchcraft are so many?"**

**d. Jehu killed Joram and threw his body on that property - 9:23-26**

**Joram turned and fled and told Ahaziah, "Treachery, Ahaziah!"  
Jehu drew his bow with full strength and shot Joram between his arms  
The arrow came out at his heart and he sank down in his chariot  
Jehu told Bidkar to throw Joram into the field of Naboth  
Jehu had heard that the Lord would repay Ahab on this plot of ground**

### **3. Jehu killed Ahaziah, king of Judah as he fled - 9:27-29**

**Ahaziah, king of Judah, saw this and fled by the road to Beth Haggan  
Jehu pursued Ahaziah and said, "Shoot him also in the chariot."  
Jehu shot and wounded him by the ascent of Gur by Ibleam  
Jehu searched for him and found him hiding in Samaria - 2 Chronicles 22:9  
Ahaziah then fled to Megiddo and died there  
Ahaziah's servants then carried him in his chariot to Jerusalem  
Ahaziah was buried in the tomb of his fathers in Jerusalem  
Ahaziah had become king of Judah in the eleventh year of Joram**

### **4. Jehu killed Jezebel - 9:30-37**

#### **a. Jehu gave orders for Jezebel to be thrown from the window - 9:30-33**

**Jezebel heard when Jehu came to Jezreel  
Jezebel put paint on her eyes and adorned her head  
Jezebel then looked out through a window  
Jezebel spoke to Jehu as he entered the gate and said,  
"Is it peace, Zimri, murderer of your master?"  
Zimri had murdered King Elah earlier - 1 Kings 16:9-10, 15-16  
Jehu looked up at the window and said, "Who is on my side..."  
Two or three eunuchs looked out the window at Jehu  
Jehu told them to throw Jezebel down from the window  
Her blood spattered on the wall and the horses**

#### **b. Jehu later said to bury her but she had been eaten by the dogs - 9:34-35**

**Jehu then went in and ate and drank  
Later Jehu said to bury the accursed woman  
They found only her skull, her feet and the palms of her hands**

#### **c. This fulfilled the words of Elijah about her judgment - 9:36-37**

**They came back and told Jehu what they found  
Jehu said that fulfilled the word of the Lord spoken by Elijah  
Elijah had said, "The dogs shall eat Jezebel by the wall" - 1 Kings 21:23  
The corpse of Jezebel shall be as refuse on the surface of the field  
Jezebel would not have a grave where she was buried**

## **5. Jehu killed the entire family of Ahab - 10:1-11**

### **a. Jehu sent a letter to the elders of Samaria and Jezreel - 10:1-5**

**Ahab had seventy sons that lived in the city of Samaria  
Jehu wrote a letter to the elders of both Samaria and Jezreel  
Jehu wrote this letter to the elders who raised Ahab's sons  
Jehu said that they had their master's sons with them  
Jehu said they had chariots, horses and a fortified city  
Jehu told them to set the best qualified son of Ahab on the throne  
Jehu told them to fight for their master's house  
The elders were exceedingly afraid when they read the letter  
The elders said that two kings could not stand up to Jehu  
All the men involved said that they would be the servants of Jehu  
These men said they would not make anyone king  
These men told Jehu, "...Do *what is good* in your sight."**

### **b. Jehu sent a second letter to the elders - 10:6-8**

**Jehu wrote a second letter to the men of the city  
Jehu told them to bring the heads of all of their master's sons  
Jehu told them to bring the heads to Jezreel by that time the next day  
The king's sons were with the great men of the city who raised them  
These men took all seventy sons and slaughtered them  
These men put the heads in baskets and sent them to Jehu at Jezreel  
A messenger came to Jehu and told him saying,  
"They have brought the head's of the king's sons."  
Jehu had them lay the heads in two piles at the gate until morning**

### **c. Jehu completely destroyed the house of Ahab - 10:9-11**

**In the morning Jehu told all the people, "You are righteous..."  
Jehu said he had conspired against the king and killed him  
Jehu did not know who killed all the sons of the king  
Jehu said he now knew the word of the Lord would be carried out  
This was the word that was spoken by Elijah against the house of Ahab  
Jehu then killed all that remained of the house of Ahab in Jezreel  
Jehu also killed all the great men, close acquaintances and priests of Ahab  
Jehu did not allow any of these people to remain**



## **6. Jehu killed the princes of Judah - 10:12-17**

### **a. Jehu had the 42 relatives of Ahaziah killed - 10:12-14**

**Jehu then left Jezreel to go to Samaria**  
**Jehu met the relatives of Ahaziah as he was going**  
**Jehu asked these men who they were**  
**The men said they were the brothers of Ahaziah**  
The mother of Ahaziah was the daughter of Ahab - 2 Kings 8:18  
**The men said they came to greet the sons of the king and queen mother**  
The queen mother was the title given to the mother of Ahaziah  
**Jehu told those with him, "Take them alive!"**  
**They took them alive and killed them at the well Beth Eked**  
**They killed all 42 men so that there were none left**

### **b. Jehu finished destroying all those who remained to Ahab - 10:15-17**

**Jehu met Jehonadab the son of Rechab coming to meet him**  
**Jehu said, "Is your heart right, as my heart is toward your heart?"**  
**Jehonadab answered that he had a good heart toward Jehu**  
**Jehu then extended his hand to Jehonadab and took him into the chariot**  
**Jehu invited him to come with him and see his zeal for the Lord**  
**Jehonadab then rode with Jehu in his chariot**  
**Jehu killed all who remained to Ahab when he reached Samaria**  
**Jehu fulfilled the word of the Lord which He spoke to Elijah**  
This word had been spoken by Elijah to Ahab - 1 Kings 21:20-22

## **7. Jehu destroyed all the worshipers of Baal - 10:18-28**

### **a. Jehu announced a solemn feast for all the worshipers of Baal - 10:18-20**

**Jehu gathered all the people and told them,**  
**"Ahab served Baal a little, Jehu will serve him much..."**  
**Jehu said to call all the prophets of Baal, his servants and his priests**  
**Jehu said he was having a great feast for Baal**  
**Jehu said, "...Whoever is missing shall not live."**  
**Jehu acted deceptively so he could destroy all the worshipers of Baal**  
**Jehu said, "Proclaim a solemn assembly for Baal."**  
**Then they proclaimed there would be a solemn assembly for Baal**

**b. Jehu ordered all of the worshipers of Baal to come to this feast - 10:21-22**

**Jehu sent throughout Israel for all of the worshipers of Baal to come**  
**There was not a man of the worshipers of Baal that did not come**  
These people thought that Jehu was restoring the worship of Baal  
**These people all came into the temple of Baal**  
**The temple of Baal was full from one end to the other**

**c. Jehu searched so there were no worshipers of the Lord - 10:23-24**

**Jehu gave instructions to the one in charge of the wardrobe**  
**Jehu told him to bring out vestments for all the worshipers of Baal**  
**The man in charge of the vestments brought one out for each person**  
These were special clothes which clearly identified each worshiper  
**Jehu and Jehonadab then went into the temple of Baal**  
Jehonadab was the son of Rechab and a faithful follower of the Lord  
He gave instructions to the Rechabites not to drink wine - Jeremiah 35:8  
**They said, "Search and see that no servants of the Lord are here..."**  
**They said to make sure that only the worshipers of Baal were there**  
**Then they went in to offer sacrifices and burnt offerings**  
**Jehu had appointed eighty men for him on the outside**  
**Jehu warned those men what would happen if anyone escaped**  
**Jehu said that the one who let one escape would be put to death**

**d. Jehu told the guard and the captains to kill everyone inside - 10:25-28**

**Jehu told those outside what to do when the burnt offering was offered**  
**He told the guard and captains, "Go in *and* kill them; let no one come out!"**  
**They killed all the people in the temple with the edge of the sword**  
**Then the guards and captains threw the bodies out**  
**Next those men went into the inner room of the temple of Baal**  
**They brought the sacred pillars out of the temple and burned them**  
The sacred pillars were the other idols in the temple  
**Then they broke down the sacred pillar of Baal**  
This was the idol of Baal that the people had worshiped  
**Then the temple of Baal was torn down**  
**The location of the temple became a dump for animal waste**  
**In this way Jehu destroyed Baal from Israel**  
Jehu fulfilled his goal of destroying Baal worship in Israel

## **8. Jehu followed the sins of Jeroboam - 10:29-31**

**Jehu continued to follow the sins of Jeroboam**  
**Jeroboam was the one who introduced idol worship to Israel**  
**Jeroboam had set up the two golden calves that were at Bethel and Dan**  
**Jeroboam was afraid the people would return to Rehoboam - 1 Kings 12:26**  
**Jeroboam told the people it was too much to go to Jerusalem - 1 Kings 12:28**  
**Jeroboam had also set up the two golden calves - 1 Kings 12:29**  
**Jeroboam made priests of every class of people - 1 Kings 12:31**  
**The Lord told Jehu he had done well to do what was right in His sight**  
**This included the complete destruction of the house of Ahab**  
**This included all that was in the heart of the Lord as a result**  
**Jehu was told his sons would sit on the throne until the fourth generation**  
**Jehu did not walk in the law of the Lord God of Israel with all his heart**  
**Jehu did not turn away from the sins of Jeroboam while he ruled**  
**Jeroboam had caused Israel to sin and worship the golden calves**  
**The people had begun offering sacrifices to the idols - 1 Kings 12:32**  
**Jeroboam established a different month for the feast - 1 Kings 12:33**

## **9. Jehu died and was buried - 10:32-36**

### **a. Jehu saw the Lord judge Israel by cutting off part of the land - 10:32-33**

**The Lord began to cut off parts of Israel in those days**  
**Hazael conquered part of the land of Israel**  
**Hazael took the territory of Israel east of the Jordan River**  
**This meant everything east of the Jordan was conquered by Syria**  
**Hazael took all of the land of Gilead from the city of Aroer**  
**This was where the Gad, Reuben and half of Manasseh lived**  
**This included both Gilead and Bashan**

### **b. Jehu died and was buried - 10:34-36**

**The remaining things Jehu did are in the chronicles of Israel**  
**The chronicles of Israel included all that Jehu did**  
**The chronicles of Israel also included the might of Jehu**  
**Jehu rested with his fathers and was buried in Samaria**  
**Jehoahaz his son became the king in his place**  
**Jehu reigned over Israel a total of twenty-eight years**

**F. the reign of Athaliah in Judah - 11:1-16**

**1. Athaliah murdered the royal seed - 11:1**

**Athaliah the mother of Ahaziah saw that her son was dead  
Athaliah then murdered all of the royal heirs of Judah**

**2. Athaliah did not know that Joash escaped - 11:2-4**

**Jehosheba, the sister of Ahaziah, took Joash the son of Ahaziah and hid him  
Jehosheba did this while the other king's sons were being murdered  
Jehosheba hid him and his nurse so that he was not killed  
Joash was hidden with her in the house of the Lord for six years  
Athaliah ruled over the land for a total of seven years  
Jehoiada brought the captains, bodyguards and the escorts to the temple  
Jehoiada made a covenant with these men and took an oath from them  
Jehoiada then showed them the king's son**

**3. Athaliah did not know when Joash was crowned king - 11:5-12**

**a. Jehoiada gave instructions to these men - 11:5-8**

**1) The guards coming on duty would guard the palace as usual - 11:5-6**

**The guards were given instructions about what they were to do  
One-third would guard the palace of the ruler of Judah  
One-third would guard the gate leading from the palace to the temple  
One-third would guard the gate behind the escorts  
These guards were to guard the palace so it was not destroyed**

**2) The guards going off duty were to guard Joash at the temple - 11:7-8**

**Two-thirds of the guards would be going off duty for the Sabbath  
They were to leave the palace and come to the temple  
They were to watch the house of the Lord for the king  
They were to surround the king on all sides  
They were each to have their weapons in their hand  
They were to put to death any who came within range of them  
They were to be with the king as he went out and came in**

**b. These men then crowned Joash as the new king - 11:9-12**

**The captains did according to all that Jehoiada commanded  
Each of the captains took his men who would be on duty on the Sabbath  
This also happened with the men who were going off duty on the Sabbath  
These men all came to Jehoiada the priest  
The priest gave the captains the spears and shields that had been David's  
These spears and shields were in the temple of the Lord  
The escorts stood, every man with his weapons in his hand  
They completely surrounded the king  
They were from the right side of the temple to the left side of the temple  
They were also by the altar and by the house  
Jehoiada brought out the king's son  
Jehoiada put the crown on his head  
Jehoiada gave him the testimony (a copy of the whole law)  
The King was to read this all the days of his life - Deuteronomy 17:18-19  
The King was not to let his heart become proud - Deuteronomy 17:20  
The men then made him the king and anointed him  
The men clapped their hands and said, "Long live the king!"**

**4. Athaliah was put to death for her sin - 11:13-16**

**Athaliah heard the noise of the escorts and the people  
Athaliah came to the people in the temple of the Lord  
Athaliah looked and saw the king standing by a pillar  
Athaliah saw the leaders and the trumpeters were by the king  
Athaliah saw all the people of the land were rejoicing  
Athaliah heard the sound of the blowing trumpets  
Athaliah tore her clothes and cried out "Treason! Treason!"  
Jehoiada then gave instructions to the captains and officers  
Jehoiada said to take her outside under guard  
Jehoiada said to kill any who followed her with the sword  
Jehoiada said they were not to kill her in the house of the Lord  
The captains and officers then seized Athaliah  
They took her by way of the horses' entrance into the king's house  
Then Athaliah was killed by the captains and the officers  
Athaliah was the granddaughter of Omri - 2 Kings 8:26  
Athaliah was the daughter of Ahab - 2 Chronicles 21:6  
Ahaziah her son was the son-in-law of Ahab - 2 Kings 8:27**

## **G. the reign of Joash (Jehoash) in Judah - 11:17-12:21**

### **1. Joash began his rule as king - 11:17-21**

#### **a. Jehoiada made a covenant between the Lord and the people - 11:17-19**

**Jehoiada made a covenant between the Lord, the king and the people  
This covenant was that the people would be the Lord's people  
Jehoiada also made a covenant between the people and the king  
All of the people of the land went to the temple of Baal  
The people tore down the temple of Baal  
The people thoroughly broke in pieces its altars and images  
The people killed Mattan the priest of Baal before the altars  
Jehoiada appointed officers over the house of the Lord  
Jehoiada had the captains, the bodyguards and the escorts go with him  
Jehoiada had all of the people of the land follow as well  
They brought the king down from the house of the Lord  
They went through the gate of the escorts to the king's house  
They sat the king on the throne of the kings**

#### **b. Jehoiada brought quietness to the city of Jerusalem - 11:20-21**

**All of the people of the land rejoiced and were filled with joy  
The city was quiet because it was experiencing peace  
Athaliah followed Baal and was a very evil woman - 2 Kings 8:26-27, 11:1  
They had slain Athaliah with the sword in the king's house  
Jehoash (Joash) was seven years old when he became king**

### **2. Joash was instructed by Jehoiada, the priest - 12:1-3**

**Jehoash became king in the seventh year of Jehu, king of Israel  
Jehoash ruled for forty years in the city of Jerusalem  
Zibiah of Beersheba was the mother of Jehoash  
Jehoash did what was right in the sight of the Lord  
Jehoash did this as long as Jehoiada instructed him  
After Jehoiada died, the leaders turned away from the Lord - 2 Chron. 24:17-18  
Jehoash ordered the son of Jehoiada to be stoned to death - 2 Chron. 24:20-22  
However, the high places were not taken away  
The people still sacrificed and burned incense on the high places**

**3. Joash called for the temple to be repaired - 12:4-8**

**a. The priests failed to repair the temple - 12:4-6**

**Joash gave instructions to the priests to repair the temple  
Joash said they were to use all the money brought into the temple  
This included the money that each person was assessed  
This included the money brought as freewill offerings  
The priests were to collect that money from the people in their area  
The priests were to use that money to repair any temple damages  
They were to repair any damage that they found in the temple**

**b. The priests were questioned about their failure - 12:7-8**

**Joash checked to see if it was done in his 23rd year  
Joash found that the temple had not been repaired  
Joash called Jehoiada and the other priests to ask why it was not repaired  
Joash told the priests not to take any more money  
Joash said they were to use the money to repair the temple**

**4. Joash completed the temple repairs through freewill offerings - 12:9-16**

**a. The people gave freewill offerings to repair the temple - 12:9-10**

**Jehoiada took a chest and drilled a hole in the lid  
Jehoiada set this chest beside the altar  
The chest was on the right side as one came into the house of the Lord  
The priests who kept the door were to put all money brought into the chest  
The priests were instructed what to do whenever there was much money  
The king's scribe and the high priest were to put the money in bags  
They were then to count the money that was there**

**b. The workers were paid with those freewill offerings - 12:11-12**

**The money was then given to those in charge of the repair work  
They used the money to pay the carpenters and builders  
They used the money to pay the masons and stonecutters  
They used the money for buying timber and hewn stone  
They used the money to repair the damage to the house of the Lord  
They were responsible for all that was paid to repair the temple**

**c. The freewill offerings were not used to replace the temple vessels - 12:13-14**

**This money was not used to buy vessels made from silver or gold  
That was not the purpose of the money brought into the temple  
This money was used to pay the workmen who did the work  
This money was used to repair the house of the Lord**

**d. The workers were faithful men who could be trusted - 12:15-16**

**They did not require an account from the men in charge of the money  
Those men paid that money to the workmen doing the work  
The men were faithful men who could be trusted  
The money from the trespass offerings was not brought into the temple  
The money from the sin offerings was not brought into the temple  
That money belonged to the priests to provide for them**

**5. Joash was killed by his servants and died - 12:17-21**

**a. Joash bribed Hazael with the vessels of the temple - 12:17-18**

**Hazael of Syria fought against Gath and conquered that city  
Hazael then set his face to go and conquer Jerusalem  
Joash took the sacred gifts that his fathers dedicated to the Lord  
Joash took all of the gold found in the treasuries of the temple  
Joash took all of the gold found in his own house  
Joash sent all of those things to Hazael king of Syria  
Hazael then went away from Jerusalem**

**b. Joash was killed by his servants - 12:19-21**

**The rest of the things that Joash (Jehoash) did are in the chronicles  
The servants of Joash formed a conspiracy to kill Joash  
This was due to the fact he killed Zechariah, the son of Jehoiada - 2 Chron. 24:25  
Zechariah warned Joash of coming judgment for his sin - 2 Chron. 24:20  
Joash did not remember the kindness of Jehoiada which he had done  
The servants killed Joash in the house of the Millo  
Jozachar and Jehozabad his servants killed him  
Joash died and was buried with his fathers in the city of David  
Amaziah his son became the king in his place**



## **H. The reign of Jehoahaz in Israel - 13:1-9**

### **1. Jehoahaz was an evil king - 13:1-2**

**Jehoahaz became the king of Israel in the 23rd year of Joash  
Jehoahaz reigned in Samaria and ruled for seventeen years  
Jehoahaz did evil in the sight of the Lord  
Jehoahaz followed the sins of Jeroboam  
Jehoahaz did not turn from those sins**

### **2. Jehoahaz showed remorse but not repentance for sin - 13:3-9**

#### **a. The Lord allowed Hazael and his son to control Israel - 13:3**

**The anger of the Lord was aroused against Israel  
The Lord delivered Israel into the hand of Hazael king of Syria  
The Lord later delivered Israel into the hand of his son, Ben-Hadad**

#### **b. The Lord listened when Jehoahaz pleaded with him - 13:4-5**

**Jehoahaz the king of Israel pleaded with the Lord  
The Lord listened to the plea of Jehoahaz  
The Lord saw the oppression of Israel  
The Lord saw the king of Syria oppress them  
The Lord gave Israel a deliverer so they escaped from under Syria  
The people of Israel then lived in their tents as before**

#### **c. Jehoahaz did not stop the sins Israel was committing - 13:6-7**

**Israel did not depart from the sins of the house of Jeroboam  
Israel walked in them and the wooden image remained in Samaria  
The Lord left Israel only 50 horsemen, 10 chariots and 10,000 foot soldiers  
The king of Syria destroyed the rest of the army of Israel**

#### **d. Jehoahaz died and was buried - 13:8-9**

**The rest of the acts of Jehoahaz are written in the chronicles of Israel  
Jehoahaz died and was buried in Samaria  
Joash (Jehoash) ruled in his place**

## **I. The reign of Jehoash (Joash) in Israel - 13:10-25**

### **1. Jehoash was an evil king - 13:10-11**

**Jehoash became king in the 37th year of Joash king of Judah  
Jehoash reigned as king over Israel in Samaria  
Jehoash reigned for a total of sixteen years  
Jehoash did evil in the sight of the Lord  
Jehoash did not depart from all the sins of Jeroboam  
Jehoash instead walked in the sins of Jeroboam**

### **2. Jehoash died and was buried - 13:12-13**

**Jehoash showed great might when he fought against Amaziah of Judah  
Jehoash had his actions recorded in the chronicles of the kings of Israel  
Jehoash died and joined his ancestors  
Jeroboam II then became the king and sat on the throne  
Jehoash was buried in Samaria with the kings of Israel**

### **3. Jehoash had several things happen while he was king - 13:14-25**

**The following events happened before the death of Jehoash**

#### **a. Elisha told Jehoash he would defeat Syria three times - 13:14-19**

##### **1) Elisha was visited by Jehoash when he became sick - 13:14-17**

**Elisha became sick with the illness from which he would die  
Elisha saw Jehoash the king of Israel come and visit him  
Jehoash said that Elisha was like a father to him  
Jehoash said to Elisha, "...The chariots of Israel and their horsemen!"  
In this way Jehoash said that Elisha was the real strength of Israel  
Elisha told the king to get a bow and some arrows  
Jehoash did as Elisha said and got a bow and arrows  
Elisha told the king to put his hands on the bow  
Elisha then put his hands on the king's hands  
Elisha told the king to open the east window so he did  
Elisha then told the king to shoot an arrow out the window  
Elisha said the arrow showed the Lord's deliverance from Syria  
Elisha told the king to strike the Syrians at Aphek  
Elisha told the king to fight until he destroyed the Syrians**

**2) Elisha told the king to strike the ground with some arrows - 13:18-19**

**Elisha told Jehoash to take some arrows so he took them  
Elisha told Jehoash to strike the ground with the arrows  
Jehoash struck the ground three times and then stopped  
Elisha told Jehoash that he should have hit the ground five or six times  
Elisha said that they Jehoash would have stuck Syria until he destroyed it  
Elisha said that now Jehoash would only strike Syria three times**

**b. Elisha had a miracle happen when he died - 13:20-21**

**Elisha died and was buried after he told Jehoash these things  
Raiding bands from Moab invaded the land in the spring of the year  
Men from Israel were burying a man of Israel  
Those burying the man suddenly saw a group of raiders  
They quickly put the man in the tomb of Elisha  
They let the man down and he touched the bones of Elisha  
Then the man revived and stood on his feet  
Elisha asked the Lord for a double portion of Elijah's ministry - 2 Kings 2:9  
This completed the request of Elisha that he had asked**

**c. Elisha had his prophecy fulfilled - 13:22-25**

**Hazael the king of Syria oppressed Israel all the time Jehoahaz ruled  
Hazael took part of the cities of Israel for Syria - 2 Kings 13:25  
The Lord was gracious to Israel during that time  
The Lord had compassion on Israel and showed love to Israel  
The Lord showed this compassion because of His covenant  
The Lord had made that covenant with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob  
The Lord was not yet ready to cast Israel out of His presence  
The Lord is very patient and longsuffering - Psalm 86:15  
Hazael the king of Syria then died  
Ben-Hadad his son then became the king in his place  
Jehoash recaptured the cities Hazael had taken  
Jehoash did this during the time that Ben-Hadad ruled Syria  
They had been taken by Syria while the countries were at war  
Three times Jehoash defeated Ben-Hadad  
Elisha told Jehoash he should have hit the ground 5 or 6 times - 2 Kings 13:19  
It was during this time that the cities of Israel were recaptured**

## **J. The reign of Amaziah in Judah - 14:1-22**

### **1. Amaziah was a good king who followed God - 14:1-4**

**Amaziah became king of Judah in the second year of Jehoash  
Amaziah was the son of Joash king of Judah  
Amaziah was twenty-five years old when he became king  
Amaziah reigned for twenty-five years in Jerusalem  
The mother of Amaziah was Jehoaddan of Jerusalem  
Amaziah did what was right in the sight of the Lord  
Amaziah was not a king like David had been  
Amaziah did everything as Joash his father had done  
Amaziah did not have the high places taken away  
The people still sacrificed and burned incense on the high places**

### **2. Amaziah killed the servants who had murdered his father - 14:5-7**

**Amaziah took action as soon as his kingdom was established  
Amaziah executed the servants who murdered his father the king  
Amaziah did not kill the children of the murderers  
Amaziah did exactly what was commanded in the Law of Moses  
The Law said, "Fathers shall not be put to death for their children..."  
The Law said, "...Children shall not be put to death for their fathers..."  
The Law said, "...A person shall be put to death for his own sin."  
Amaziah killed 10,000 Edomites in the Valley of Salt  
Amaziah took Sela (the Rock) by war and renamed it Joktheel**

### **3. Amaziah was defeated because of pride - 14:8-16**

#### **a. Amaziah became filled with pride - 14:8-10**

**Amaziah sent messengers to Jehoash the king of Israel  
Amaziah said, "Come, let us face one another *in battle*."  
Jehoash sent back a parable about a thistle that sent to a cedar in Lebanon  
In the parable the thistle said to give his daughter to the thistle as wife  
Instead a wild animal stepped on the thistle and crushed it  
Jehoash said Amaziah had defeated Edom and had become proud  
Jehoash told him to enjoy his victory and stay home  
Jehoash asked why he would want to get into trouble and fall**

**b. Amaziah was defeated by Jehoash the king of Israel - 14:11-14**

**Amaziah did not listen to the advice of Jehoash  
As a result, the two kings faced each other at Beth Shemesh  
Judah was defeated by Israel in that battle  
The army of Judah all fled and went back to their tents  
Jehoash captured Amaziah, king of Judah at Beth Shemesh  
Jehoash then went to Jerusalem and broke down 600 feet of the wall  
This extended from the Gate of Ephraim to the Corner Gate  
Jehoash took all the gold and silver from the house of the Lord  
Jehoash also took all the treasures in the king's house  
Jehoash also took hostages and returned to Samaria**

**c. Jehoash the king of Israel later died and was buried - 14:15-16**

**Jehoash did other things and was stronger than Amaziah  
Jehoash had his victories written in the chronicles of Israel  
Jehoash died and joined his ancestors in death  
He had ruled for a total of sixteen years - 2 Kings 13:10  
Jehoash was buried in Samaria with the kings of Israel  
Jeroboam II became the king in his place**

**4. Amaziah died and was buried - 14:17-22**

**Amaziah lived fifteen years after the death of Jehoash  
The rest of the acts of Amaziah are written in the chronicles of Judah  
The people formed a conspiracy against Amaziah in Jerusalem  
Amaziah turned away from the Lord before the conspiracy - 2 Chronicles 25:27  
Amaziah learned about the conspiracy and fled to Lachish  
They sent after him to Lachish and killed him there  
Lachish was about 25 miles from the city of Jerusalem  
Then they brought him back to Jerusalem on horses  
Amaziah was buried at Jerusalem with his fathers  
The people of Judah then made his son Azariah the king  
Azariah was sixteen years old when he became the king of Judah  
Azariah (also called Uzziah) became king instead of his father  
He became king at 16 and ruled Judah for 52 years - 2 Chronicles 26:1-3  
Azariah built Elath on the Red Sea and restored it to Judah  
Solomon had earlier built ships at nearby Ezion Geber - 1 Kings 9:26**

## **K. The reign of Jeroboam II in Israel - 14:23-29**

### **1. Jeroboam II did evil and followed the sins of Jeroboam I - 14:23-24**

**Jeroboam II began his reign in the 15th year of Amaziah king of Judah  
Jeroboam II ruled in Samaria over Israel for 41 years  
Jeroboam II did evil in the sight of the Lord  
Jeroboam II did not depart from the sins of Jeroboam I  
Jeroboam II led Israel to continue to follow those sins**

### **2. Jeroboam II was able to restore Israel to a much larger nation - 14:25-27**

**He restored the territory of Israel on the north to Hamath  
Hamath was about 160 miles north of the Sea of Galilee  
He restored Israel on the south to the Sea of the Arabah  
This was the word of the Lord spoken by Jonah the prophet  
Jonah said in the book he wrote that he was the son of Amittai - Jonah 1:1  
Jonah, the son of Amittai the prophet, was from Gath Hopher  
This is the same Jonah that went to the city of Nineveh - Jonah 3:2-3  
The Lord saw that the affliction of Israel was very great  
The Lord saw this was true for both the slaves and the free  
The Lord saw that there was no helper for Israel  
The Lord had not forgotten Israel even in their sin  
The Lord is full of compassion and longsuffering - Psalm 86:15  
The Lord had not promised He would protect Israel  
The Lord was gracious to them and waited to judge them - 2 Kings 13:23  
Jeroboam II became king 60 years before Israel was conquered - 2 Kings 14:23  
The Lord chose to spare them by the hand of Jeroboam II**

### **3. Jeroboam II died and was buried - 14:28-29**

**The rest of the acts of Jeroboam were written in the chronicles of Israel  
That included the might that Jeroboam had shown as king  
That included the way Jeroboam made war  
That included the way he recaptured land for Israel  
That land had been captured by Damascus and Hamath  
(this was land that had belonged to Judah in the past)  
Jeroboam rested with his fathers, the former kings of Israel  
Zechariah, his son, became the new king in his place**

## **L. The reign of Azariah (Uzziah) over Judah - 15:1-7**

### **1. Azariah was a good king in most ways - 15:1-4**

**Azariah became the king in the 27th year of Jeroboam king of Israel  
Azariah was the son of Amaziah the king of Judah  
Azariah was sixteen years old when he became the king of Judah  
Azariah ruled for fifty-two years in Jerusalem  
Azariah did most things right in the sight of the Lord  
Azariah followed the example of what Amaziah had done  
He failed to remove the high places where the people worshiped  
The people sacrificed and burned incense on the high places**

### **2. Azariah (Uzziah) became a leper and died - 15:5-7**

**The Lord struck King Azariah with leprosy  
Azariah was a leper until the day of his death  
Azariah had to live in an isolated house  
Jotham, the king's son, was over the royal house  
Jotham was the one who judged the people during those years  
Azariah did other things while he was the king of Judah  
Those things are written in the chronicles of the kings of Judah  
Azariah died and joined his ancestors  
Azariah was buried with his ancestors in the City of David  
Jotham his son then ruled over Judah in his place**

## **M. The reign of Zechariah in Israel - 15:8-12**

**In the 38th year of Azariah, Zechariah became the king of Israel  
Zechariah ruled over Israel in Samaria for six months  
Zechariah did evil in the sight of the Lord  
Zachariah continued to follow the sins of Jeroboam  
Shallum, the son of Jabesh, conspired against Zechariah  
Shallum killed Zechariah in front of the people  
The rest of the acts of Zechariah are written in the chronicles of Israel  
This fulfilled the word of the Lord which He spoke to Jehu  
The Lord said Jehu would have descendants who ruled Israel  
The Lord said that four generations would rule and so it was  
This was the result of Jehu destroying the house of Ahab - 2 Kings 10:30**

## **N. The reign of Shallum in Israel - 15:13-15**

**Shallum became the king in the 39th year of Uzziah, king of Judah  
Shallum reigned for a full month in the city of Samaria  
Menahem came to Samaria from the city of Tirzah  
Menahem struck Shallum, killed him and ruled in his place  
The rest of the acts of Shallum are written in the chronicles of Israel**

## **O. The reign of Menahem in Israel - 15:16-22**

### **1. Menahem was an evil king - 15:16-18**

**Menahem attacked Tiphshah, all who were there and its territory  
Menahem attacked them because they did not surrender to him  
Menahem ripped all the women open who were pregnant in Tiphshah  
This was one of the evil acts which God judged in foreign kings - Amos 1:13  
Menahem became the king of Israel in the 39th year of Uzziah  
Menahem ruled for ten years in the city of Samaria  
Menahem did evil in the sight of the Lord his entire rule  
Menahem continued in the sins of Jeroboam all the time he ruled**

### **2. Menahem saw the land invaded by Pul, king of Assyria - 15:19-20**

**Pul, the king of Assyria, invaded the land of Israel  
Pul was also known as Tiglath-Pileser III - 1 Chronicles 5:26  
He also took the people east of the Jordan as captives  
Menahem gave Pul a thousand talents of silver (37 tons)  
Menahem did this to strengthen his own rule over Israel  
This placed him under the control of Assyria even though he ruled  
Menahem made each of the wealthy pay fifty shekels of silver  
Menahem gave all this silver to the king of Assyria  
The king of Assyria then returned to his own land**

### **3. Menahem died and his son became king - 15:21-22**

**Menahem also had his own acts written to tell what he did  
These were written in the chronicles of the kings of Israel  
Menahem died and joined his ancestors  
Pekahiah his son then became the king of Israel**



**P. The reign of Pekahiah in Israel - 15:23-26**

**Pekahiah began his rule in the 50th year of Azariah king of Judah**  
Azariah is also called Uzziah and is better known by that name  
**Pekahiah ruled over Israel in Samaria for two years**  
**Pekahiah did evil in the sight of the Lord**  
**Pekahiah did not depart from the sins of Jeroboam**  
**Pekah, the son of Remaliah, an officer of his conspired against him**  
**Pekah came to Pekahiah in Samaria in the citadel of the king's house**  
**Pekah had with him Argob and Arieah and fifty men of Gilead**  
Many people of Gilead were taken as captives by Assyria - 2 Kings 15:29  
This may have helped to cause the conspiracy by Pekah  
**Pekah killed Pekahiah and reigned in his place**  
**Pekahiah also had his own acts written to tell what he did**  
**These were written in the chronicles of the kings of Israel**

**Q. The reign of Pekah in Israel - 15:27-31**

**1. Pekah was an evil king - 15:27-28**

**Pekah began his reign in the 52nd year of Azariah king of Judah**  
**Pekah ruled over Israel in Samaria for twenty years**  
**Pekah did evil in the sight of the Lord**  
**Like the other kings, he followed the sins of Jeroboam**

**2. Pekah saw Israel invaded by Tiglath-Pileser, king of Assyria - 15:29-31**  
(the people of the northern area of Israel were taken as captives to Assyria)

**When Pekah ruled, Tiglath-Pileser came and fought against Israel**  
**Tiglath-Pileser captured the northern cities of Israel**  
**Tiglath-Pileser also captured the area of Gilead**  
**Tiglath took the people of those areas as captives to Assyria**  
This deportation happened in the year of 732 BC  
The rest of Israel was deported in 722 BC - 2 Kings 17:6  
**Hoshea the son of Elah led a conspiracy against Pekah**  
**Hoshea struck and killed Pekah and became the king**  
**Hoshea did this in the 20th year of Jotham the son of Uzziah**  
**Pekah also had his own acts written to tell what he did**  
**These were written in the chronicles of the kings of Israel**

## **R. The reign of Jotham in Judah - 15:32-38**

### **1. Jotham became the king of Judah - 15:32-33**

**Jotham became king of Judah in the second year of Pekah  
Jotham was the son of King Uzziah of Judah  
Jotham was twenty-five years old when he began to reign  
Jotham ruled as king for sixteen years  
The name of the mother of Jotham was Jerusha**

### **2. Jotham was a good king over Judah - 15:34**

**Jotham did what was right in the sight of the Lord  
Jotham followed the example of his father Uzziah  
He did not enter the temple as his father had done - 2 Chronicles 27:2  
The people still acted corruptly - 2 Chronicles 27:2**

### **3. Jotham did not remove the high places - 15:35-37**

**Jotham did not remove the high places  
The people still sacrificed and burned incense on the high places  
God had warned Israel about the high places - Leviticus 26:30  
Solomon became the first king to build a high place - 1 Kings 11:7  
The kings of Judah did not remove the high places - 2 Kings 12:3  
Jeroboam made shrines on the high places in Israel - 1 Kings 12:31  
The kings of Israel followed the sins of Jeroboam - 2 Kings 14:24  
Jotham built the Upper Gate of the house of the Lord  
The other key acts of Jotham were also recorded  
These were recorded in the chronicles of the kings of Judah  
In those days the Lord began to send Rezin king of Syria against Judah  
Pekah the king of Israel also came against Judah**

### **4. Jotham died and was buried - 15:38**

**Jotham died and joined his ancestors  
Jotham was buried with his ancestors  
Jotham was buried in the City of David  
Ahaz, his son, reigned in place of Jotham  
Ahaz did not follow the good example of his father**

## **S. The reign on Ahaz in Judah - 16:1-20**

### **1. Ahaz did not follow God but followed idols - 16:1-4**

**Ahaz began his reign in the seventeenth year of Pekah king of Israel**

**Ahaz was the son of Jotham, king of Judah**

**Ahaz was twenty years old when he became king**

**Ahaz reigned for sixteen years in Jerusalem**

**Ahaz did not do what was right in the sight of the Lord**

**Ahaz did not follow the example of his father**

**Ahaz followed the example of the kings of Israel**

**Ahaz made his son pass through the fire - see Deuteronomy 18:10**

**This meant he offered him as a human sacrifice**

**Ahaz followed the abominations of the nations - see Deuteronomy 18:9-12**

**That was why the Lord judged the nations of Canaan - see Genesis 15:16**

**Ahaz sacrificed and burned incense on the high places**

**Ahaz also did this on the hills and under every green tree**

### **2. Ahaz was invaded by Rezin, king of Syria - 16:5-6**

**Rezin of Syria and Pekah of Israel came to Jerusalem to make war**

**They besieged Ahaz but could not overcome him**

**Rezin, king of Syria, did capture Elath for Syria**

**Rezin drove the men of Judah from Elath**

**The Edomites then went to Elath and lived there**

### **3. Ahaz asked Tiglath-pileser, king of Assyria, for help - 16:7-9**

**Ahaz sent messengers to Tiglath-Pileser for help**

**Ahaz said, "I am your servant and your son..."**

**Ahaz asked him to save him from Syria and Israel**

**Ahaz said that these kings were rising up against him**

**Ahaz sent the gold and silver found in the house of the Lord**

**Ahaz also sent the gold and silver in his house**

**Ahaz sent these as a present to the king of Assyria**

**The king of Assyria listened to the request of Ahaz**

**The king of Assyria went to Damascus and captured it**

**The king of Assyria took the people as captives to Kir**

**The king of Assyria killed Rezin, the king of Syria**

#### **4. Ahaz added the idols of Syria to his idols - 16:10-18**

##### **a. Ahaz began to worship at an altar like one in Damascus - 16:10-14**

**Ahaz went to Damascus to meet Tiglath-Pileser king of Assyria  
Ahaz saw an altar that was at Damascus  
Ahaz sent to Urijah the design of the altar and its pattern  
Urijah built an altar according to the instructions Ahaz sent  
Urijah had this altar completed before Ahaz returned from Damascus  
Ahaz saw the altar when he came back from Damascus  
Ahaz approached the altar and made offerings on it  
Ahaz burned his burnt offering and grain offering on the altar  
Ahaz poured his drink offering on the altar  
Ahaz sprinkled the blood of his peace offerings on the altar  
Ahaz brought the bronze altar from the front of the temple  
Ahaz put the bronze altar on the north side of his new altar**

##### **b. Ahaz commanded the priest to begin using this new altar - 16:15-16**

**Ahaz commanded the priest to burn all of the sacrifices on this new altar  
This included the morning burnt offering and the evening grain offering  
This included the burnt offering and grain offering of the king  
This included all of the offerings of the people  
Ahaz said the bronze altar was only for him to inquire by  
This was clearly forbidden by the law - Deuteronomy 18:9-14  
Urijah followed all of these commands of Ahaz**

##### **c. Ahaz was concerned to prepare for the king of Assyria - 16:17-18**

**Ahaz cut off the panels of the carts and removed the laver from them  
Ahaz took down the Sea from the bronze oxen under it  
Ahaz removed the Sabbath covered way from the house of the king  
Ahaz removed the outer entry that had been made for the king**

#### **5. Ahaz died and was buried - 16:19-20**

**The rest of the acts of Ahaz are in the chronicles of the kings of Judah  
Ahaz died and was buried with his ancestors  
Hezekiah his son became the king and reigned in place of his father**

**T. the reign of Hoshea in Israel - 17:1-41**

**1. Israel was defeated and taken captive in 722 B.C. - 17:1-6**

**a. Hoshea was put in prison by the king of Assyria - 17:1-4**

**Hoshea became king of Israel in the 12th year of Ahaz, king of Judah  
Hoshea reigned as king of Israel for nine years in Samaria  
Hoshea did evil in the sight of the Lord but not like the kings before him  
Shalmaneser king of Assyria came up against Israel  
Hoshea became his servant and paid tribute money to him  
The king of Assyria uncovered a conspiracy by Hoshea  
Hoshea had sent messengers to So, king of Egypt  
Hoshea did not bring the tribute money to the king of Assyria  
Hoshea had sent that money in the previous years  
The king of Assyria shut him up and bound him in prison**

**b. Israel was carried away to Assyria by the king of Assyria - 17:5-6**

**The king of Assyria went throughout the land of Israel  
The king of Assyria besieged Samaria for three years  
In the ninth year of Hoshea the king of Assyria captured Samaria  
The king of Assyria took the people out of the land of Israel  
The king of Assyria scattered them in various places in his empire**

**2. Israel was reaping the consequences of its sins - 17:7-23**

**a. Israel had worshiped other gods and served idols - 17:7-12**

**The people of Israel sinned against God who brought them out of Egypt  
The people followed the gods of the nations which God cast out of the land  
Israel secretly did things against the Lord that were not right  
The people of Israel built high places in all their cities  
The people of Israel set up sacred pillars and wooden images  
The people of Israel did this on every high hill and under every green tree  
The people of Israel burned incense on all the high places  
The people of Israel were like the people the Lord had carried away  
The people of Israel did wicked things to provoke the Lord to anger  
The people of Israel served idols which the Lord had forbid them to do**

**b. Israel had refused to listen to the Lord - 17:13-16**

**The Lord testified against Israel and against Judah  
The Lord did this by all of His prophets (seers)  
The prophets told Israel and Judah to turn from their evil ways  
The prophets told them to keep God's commandments and statutes  
The Lord said He had sent His servants the prophets  
The Lord said the people did not hear but stiffened their necks  
The Lord said they had stiffened their necks like their fathers  
The Lord said their fathers did not believe in the Lord their God  
The Lord said they rejected His statutes and His covenant  
The Lord said they rejected His testimonies that testified against them  
The Lord said they followed idols and became idolaters  
The Lord said they followed the nations that were all around them  
The Lord had charged them not to be like the nations around them  
The people left all of the commandments of the Lord their God  
The people made for themselves a molded image and two calves  
The people made a wooden image and worshiped the host of heaven  
The people served Baal and worshiped him**

**c. Israel had offered their children as human sacrifices - 17:17-18**

**The people offered their sons and daughters as human sacrifices  
The people practiced witchcraft and soothsaying  
The people sold themselves to do evil in the sight of the Lord  
The people provoked the Lord to anger  
The Lord was very angry with Israel and removed the people from His sight  
The Lord left only the tribe of Judah**

**d. Israel never departed from the sins of Jeroboam - 17:19-23**

**Judah failed to keep the commandments of the Lord  
Judah also practiced the sins of Israel  
The Lord rejected all of the descendants of Israel  
The Lord gave them into the hands of plunderers  
The Lord had torn Israel from the house of David  
Jeroboam drove Israel from following the Lord and committed great sin  
The people followed all of the sins of Jeroboam  
The Lord removed Israel from the land as the prophets had warned  
Israel was taken from their land to the land of Assyria**

**3. Israel saw their cities repopulated with foreigners - 17:24-41**

**a. The king of Assyria brought people from various areas - 17:24-26**

**The king of Assyria brought people from various lands  
The king of Assyria placed them in the cities of Samaria  
These people took possession of Samaria and its cities  
These people did not fear the Lord at the beginning  
God sent lions who killed some of the people**

**b. The king of Assyria heard some were being killed by lions - 17:27-31**

**The king heard the people did not know the rituals of the god of the land  
The king heard that was the reason why the lions killed some of the people  
The king commanded the people to send a priest taken of Israel back  
The king said he could teach the rituals of the God of the land  
A priest came to Bethel and taught the people how to fear God  
The people also continued to follow the gods of their own  
The people put their shrines in all the high places  
These people included those who burned their children with fire**

**c. The people feared the Lord and served their own gods - 17:32-35**

**The people feared the Lord but appointed priests for their shrines  
To that day they continued to follow their rituals  
The people did not follow the Lord or obey His commandments  
The Lord had given Israel a charge about what not to do  
Israel was not to fear, bow down to, serve or sacrifice to other gods  
They were to fear God, worship Him and offer sacrifices to Him**

**d. The people continued to follow their former rituals - 17:36-41**

**The Lord had brought Israel up from the land of Egypt  
The Lord had shown His great power to Israel  
The Lord told them they were to worship God only  
The Lord told Israel to be careful to obey His commandments  
The Lord had made a covenant with the nation of Israel  
The Lord said if they feared Him that He would deliver them  
Instead the people were following their former rituals  
The nations feared God but continued to serve their carved images**

## **II. Judah continued as a nation after Israel was carried away - 18:1-25:30**

### **A. The reign of Hezekiah over Judah - 18:1-20:21**

#### **1. Hezekiah was a good king who restored worship to God - 18:1-8**

##### **a. Hezekiah was king of Judah for twenty-nine years - 18:1-3**

**Hezekiah became king of Judah in the third year of Hoshea king of Israel  
Hezekiah was twenty-five years old when he became king of Judah  
Hezekiah reigned for twenty-nine years in Jerusalem  
His mother's name was Abi, the daughter of Zechariah  
Hezekiah did right in the sight of the Lord like David**

##### **b. Hezekiah was more faithful than any other king of Judah - 18:4-6**

**Hezekiah removed the high places and broke the sacred pillars  
Hezekiah cut down the wooden image ( a wooden female idol)  
Hezekiah also broke the bronze serpent  
Israel had burned incense to the bronze serpent for many years  
Israel had been calling the bronze serpent Nehushtan (bronze thing)  
Hezekiah trusted in the Lord God of Israel  
There were no kings who trusted the Lord as Hezekiah did after him  
There were none before him that had the same trust before in Judah  
Hezekiah held fast to the Lord and did not depart from Him  
Hezekiah obeyed the commandments the Lord had commanded Moses**

##### **c. Hezekiah was blessed by the Lord in all that he did - 18:7-8**

**The Lord was with Hezekiah wherever he went  
The Lord prospered Hezekiah wherever he went  
Hezekiah rebelled against the king of Assyria and did not serve him  
Hezekiah subdued the Philistines as far as Gaza  
This included the territory that belonged to Gaza  
This city and area had been under the control of Assyria  
This included the area from the watchtower to the fortified city**



## 2. Hezekiah saw the consequences of sin in neighboring Israel - 18:9-12

**This happened in the fourth year that Hezekiah was king of Judah**  
**Hoshea was in the seventh years of his reign as king of Israel**  
**Shalmaneser king of Assyria came against Samaria and besieged it**  
**After three years Assyria conquered the city of Samaria**  
**This was the sixth year that Hezekiah had ruled over Judah**  
**This was the ninth year Hoshea was king of Israel**  
**The king of Assyria took the people out of Israel to Assyria**  
The Lord had warned that they would be taken from their land - Deut. 28:63  
**The people of Israel were scattered in various locations**  
The Lord had warned that rebellion would bring scattering - Deut. 28:64  
**This happened because Israel did not obey the Lord their God**  
**The people disobeyed the covenant of God**  
**This included all that the Lord commanded His servant Moses**  
**The people refused to either hear or do those commandments**  
The people made their rebellion very clear by their actions

## 3. Hezekiah was delivered from Sennacherib by the Lord - 18:13-19:37

### a. Sennacherib invaded the cities of Judah - 18:13-16

**In the fourteenth year of Hezekiah, Sennacherib came against Judah**  
Sennacherib had replaced Shalmaneser as king of Assyria  
**Sennacherib attacked all the fortified cities of Judah and took them**  
This was the first invasion of Judah by Sennacherib after he became king  
**Hezekiah sent a message to the king of Assyria at Lachish**  
**Hezekiah said he had done wrong and asked him to turn away**  
Hezekiah had rebelled against the king of Assyria - 2 Kings 18:7  
**Hezekiah said he would pay whatever the king of Assyria required**  
He had apparently rebelled by not paying the tribute money  
**Sennacherib demanded 300 talents of silver and 30 talents of gold**  
That is about 11 tons of silver and over 1 ton of gold  
**Hezekiah took all the silver and gold from the temple and his own house**  
**Hezekiah even stripped the gold from the doors of the temple**  
**Hezekiah also stripped the gold from the pillars of the temple**  
**Hezekiah had earlier overlaid the doors and pillars with gold**  
**Hezekiah gave all of that gold to the king of Assyria**  
This destroyed the work he had done earlier in his reign

**b. Sennacherib made a second invasion of Judah - 18:17-37**

**1) the messengers of Assyria met with the men of Hezekiah - 18:17-25**

**a) the king of Assyria sent a large army against Jerusalem - 18:17-18**

**The king sent a group of leaders to Jerusalem  
The king sent a large army with the leaders to Jerusalem  
The leaders stood by the aqueduct from the upper pool  
This was on the highway to the Fuller's (launderer's) field  
The Assyrian leaders called to the king of Judah  
Eliakim, Shebna, and Joah came out to them  
Eliakim was the son of Hilkiyah and was over the household  
Shebna was the scribe and Joah was the son of Asaph the recorder**

**b) the messengers asked if Hezekiah was depending on Egypt - 18:19-21**

**The Rabshakeh told them what to tell Hezekiah  
Sennacherib had them ask, "What confidence is this in which you trust?"  
They said Hezekiah spoke about having plans and power for war  
Hezekiah had his trust in the Lord and not in the army  
They said those were just words so why did Hezekiah rebel against the king?  
He said they were trusting Egypt which was like trusting a broken reed  
A broken reed would go into the hand of a man who leaned on it  
He said that was what the king of Egypt would do to those who trusted him**

**c) the messengers claimed God told them to destroy Jerusalem - 18:22-25**

**The Rabshakeh told them it would not help to trust the Lord  
He said that Hezekiah had taken away His high places and altars  
He said that Hezekiah had told the people in Judah and Jerusalem,  
"You shall worship before this altar in Jerusalem?"  
He told Hezekiah to make a bargain with his master  
He said his master would give 2,000 horses if they could put riders on them  
He said Judah could not defeat one captain of his master's servants  
He said they could not trust Egypt for chariots and horses  
He said that he came in the name of the Lord to destroy Judah  
He said the Lord had told the king of Assyria to go against Judah  
He said the Lord told the king of Assyria to destroy Judah**

**2) the messengers shouted to the people who were on the walls - 18:26-35**

**a) the messenger spoke to the people on the wall - 18:26-27**

**Eliakim, Shebna and Joah then spoke to the Rabshakeh  
They told the Rabshakeh that they understood the Aramaic language  
They asked him not to speak in the Hebrew language  
They knew that then the people would understand what he said  
The Rabshakeh answered just the opposite of what they asked  
He said his master did not sent him to just speak to them and the king  
The Rabshakeh said he came to speak to the people on the wall  
The Rabshakeh said they would eat and drink their own waste**

**b) the messenger shouted in the Hebrew language - 18:28-32**

**The Rabshakeh then shouted in Hebrew in a loud voice  
He told the people to hear the word of the great king of Assyria  
He said Hezekiah would not be able to deliver Judah from his hand  
He said not to let Hezekiah make them trust in the Lord  
He said the Lord would not deliver them from the king of Assyria  
He said to make peace by paying the tribute money and coming out to him  
He said the people could stay in their own place until the king took them  
He said the king would give them a land like their own land  
That new land would be a very fruitful land where they could live  
He said not to listen to Hezekiah or let him persuade them**

**c) the messenger boasted about the gods of Assyria - 18:33-35**

**He said the gods had not delivered any lands from the king of Assyria  
He named several lands whose gods had not delivered them  
He said that the Lord would not deliver Jerusalem from his hand**

**3) the messengers received no answer from the people - 18:36-37**

**The people kept quiet and did not answer him a single word  
The king had said, "Do not answer him."  
The men sent to the wall by Judah then came to Hezekiah  
The men came with their clothes torn  
The men told Hezekiah the words of the Rabshakeh**

**c. Sennacherib did not recognize the power of God - 19:1-7**

**1) Hezekiah sent his servants and the elders to Isaiah the prophet - 19:1-2**

**Hezekiah heard what the Rabshakeh had said**  
**Hezekiah tore his clothes and covered himself with sackcloth**  
Hezekiah set an example for his leaders to follow  
This example showed humility before the Lord - Psalm 69:10-11  
**Hezekiah went into the house of the Lord**  
**Hezekiah sent Eliakim who was over his household**  
**Hezekiah sent Shebna the scribe with Eliakim**  
**Hezekiah sent the elders of the priests with the two men to Isaiah**  
**Hezekiah had them go to Isaiah covered with sackcloth**  
Hezekiah had them follow his example before going to Isaiah

**2) Hezekiah told his servants what to tell Isaiah - 19:3-4**

**These elders told Isaiah what Hezekiah had said to tell him**  
**Hezekiah said this day is a day of trouble, rebuke and blasphemy**  
**Hezekiah used the comparison of children who had come to birth**  
**Hezekiah said it was like there was no strength to give birth**  
**Hezekiah asked that the Lord would hear the words of the Rabshakeh**  
**Hezekiah said the king of Assyria sent him to reproach the living God**  
**Hezekiah asked that the Lord would rebuke the words He had heard**  
**Hezekiah asked Isaiah to pray for the remnant of people that remained**

**3) Hezekiah heard from Isaiah what the Lord would do - 19:5-7**

**The servants of King Hezekiah came to Isaiah**  
**Isaiah told the servants what to go back and tell Hezekiah**  
**Isaiah said to tell him, "Thus says the Lord"**  
**The Lord told Hezekiah not to be afraid of the words he had heard**  
**The Lord said the servants of the king of Assyria had blasphemed Him**  
The Lord held the king accountable for his words - 2 Kings 18:31-35  
**The Lord said that He would send a spirit upon him**  
**The Lord said He would hear a rumor and return to his own land**  
**The Lord said He would cause him to fall by the sword in his own land**  
The king of Assyria was killed by two of his sons - 2 Kings 19:37  
This happened as he worshipped in the house of his god - 2 Kings 19:37

**d. Sennacherib defied God directly - 19:8-13**

**1) The king of Assyria sent messengers to Hezekiah a second time - 19:8-9**

**The Rabshakeh returned and the king was fighting against Libnah  
The king of Assyria had departed from Lachish  
The King of Assyria heard about King Tirhakah of Ethiopia  
The King of Assyria heard King Tirhakah was coming against him  
The king heard Tirhakah was coming to make war against him  
The King of Assyria then sent messengers to Hezekiah again**

**2) The king of Assyria said the God of Judah would not help - 19:10-11**

**The messengers were told what they were to speak to Hezekiah  
They were to say, "Do not let your God in whom you trust deceive you..."  
The messengers were to tell Hezekiah what his God would say,  
"Jerusalem shall not be given into the hand of the King of Assyria."  
The king of Assyria thought the Living God was just another idol  
The Living God would soon judge the army of the Assyrians - 2 Kings 19:35  
The angel of the Lord destroyed 185,000 Assyrian soldiers - Isaiah 37:36  
The king of Assyria was killed by his own sons - 2 Kings 19:37  
Hezekiah was to be reminded of what the kings of Assyria had done  
The kings of Assyria had totally destroyed other lands  
That was true because their idols could not protect them - Isaiah 36:18-19  
Hezekiah was not to think that he would not be delivered to Assyria  
The gods cannot deliver because they are just idols - Isaiah 36:20**

**3) The king of Assyria boasted about his power over the gods - 19:12-13**

**The king of Assyria asked if the gods of any nations had delivered them  
The king of Assyria then named some of the lands his fathers destroyed  
Here we see the pride of the king of Assyria  
He had lifted up himself against the Holy One of Israel - Isaiah 37:23  
The Holy One of Israel is the Creator the earth - Isaiah 37:26  
His fathers had destroyed Gozan and Haran and Rezeph  
His fathers had destroyed the people of Eden in Telassar  
The king of Hamath had been destroyed  
The king of Arpad had been destroyed  
The kings of the cities of Sepharvaim, Hena and Ivah were destroyed**

**e. Sennacherib had his letter spread out before the Lord - 19:14-19**

**1) Hezekiah went to the temple and spread out the letter - 19:14**

**Hezekiah received the letter from the hand of the messengers  
Hezekiah read the letter that had been delivered by the messengers  
Hezekiah went to the house of the Lord (temple)  
Hezekiah spread out the letter before the Lord**

**2) Hezekiah asked the Lord to hear, see and listen - 19:15-16**

**Hezekiah then prayed to the Lord  
Hezekiah recognized that the Lord was with Israel  
Hezekiah said the presence of God was between the cherubim  
Hezekiah said that He is God and He is the only God  
Hezekiah said that God was over all the kingdoms of the earth  
Hezekiah said that God was the Creator of heaven and earth  
Hezekiah asked the Lord to bow down his ear and listen  
Hezekiah asked the Lord to open His eyes and see  
Hezekiah asked the Lord to listen to the words of Sennacherib  
Hezekiah said the letter made fun of the living God**

**3) Hezekiah knew that Assyria had conquered other nations - 19:17-18**

**Hezekiah said it was true the kings of Assyria had destroyed nations  
Hezekiah said it was true they conquered many lands  
Hezekiah said they had cast their gods (idols) into the fire  
Idols are the work of man's hands - Psalm 135:15  
Hezekiah said that those idols were not gods  
Hezekiah said those idols were the work of men's hands  
Hezekiah said those idols were made out of wood and stone  
Hezekiah said that was why they had been able to destroy the nations**

**4) Hezekiah asked the Lord to reveal His power to all the nations - 19:19**

**Hezekiah asked the Lord to hear his prayer to Him  
Hezekiah asked the Lord to save Judah from the king of Assyria  
Hezekiah asked that the world would know He is the Lord God  
Hezekiah asked that the nations would recognize Him alone as Lord God**

**f. Sennacherib had his letter answered by the Lord - 19:20-34**

**1) The Lord said He had heard the prayer of Hezekiah - 19:20-21**

**Isaiah sent a message to Hezekiah from the Lord  
Isaiah said that he had a message from the Lord God  
The Lord had heard the prayer of Hezekiah  
The Lord said He heard the request against Sennacherib  
The Lord said this was His message concerning Sennacherib  
The Lord said Sennacherib had despised and mocked Judah  
The Lord said Jerusalem had shaken her head behind his back**

**2) The Lord said Sennacherib had reproached the Lord - 19:22-24**

**The Lord said Sennacherib had spoken against and blasphemed Him  
The Lord said Sennacherib had lifted his eyes high against the Holy One  
The Lord said his messengers had spoken against the Lord  
The Lord said Sennacherib thought it was his own military might  
The Lord said he thought he conquered the mountains and limits of Lebanon  
The Lord said he thought he cut down the tall cedars and cypress trees  
The Lord said he thought cutting down the forest was his own work  
The Lord said he thought he dug wells and drank strange water  
The Lord said he thought he had dried up the brooks**

**3) The Lord asked if he knew how God formed the earth - 19:25-26**

**The king did not understand the Lord made all things  
The king did not understand that the Lord had allowed him victories  
The king did not understand that God used him to destroy cities  
The king did not understand their people had little power  
The king did not understand that they were like grass  
The king did not understand they were blighted like grain**

**4) The Lord said He knew the rage of the king of Assyria - 19:27-28**

**The Lord knew his sitting down, going out and coming in  
The Lord knew and heard his rage against the Lord  
The Lord would put His hook in the king's nose  
The Lord would turn him back by the way he came**

**5) The Lord said that He would save a remnant of Judah - 19:29-31**

**God gave a sign to Hezekiah and the city of Jerusalem  
God said the first year they would eat what grew on its own  
God said the second year they would eat what grew from the first year  
God said that the third year Israel would both sow and reap  
God said they would plant vineyards and eat the fruit of them  
God spoke to the remnant that escaped of the house of Judah  
God said they would take root downward and bear fruit upward  
This assured Hezekiah and Judah that a remnant would remain  
God said that He would cause a remnant to remain in Jerusalem  
God said that remnant would escape from Mount Zion  
God said He would do this because of His zeal for Judah**

**6) The Lord said He would defend the city of Jerusalem - 19:32-34**

**The Lord also spoke concerning the king of Assyria  
The Lord said he would not come into the city of Jerusalem  
The Lord said he would not shoot an arrow at Jerusalem  
The Lord said he would not use a shield to come into Jerusalem  
The Lord said he would not build a siege mound against Jerusalem  
The Lord said he would return the way he came  
The Lord said he would not come into the city  
The Lord said He would defend the city and save it  
The Lord said He would do this for His own sake  
The Lord said He would do this for the sake of His servant David**

**g. Sennacherib had 185,000 soldiers killed by the Lord - 19:35-37**

**On that night the angel of the Lord went against the camp of Assyria  
That night the angel of the Lord killed 185,000 in the camp of Assyria  
The next morning there were 185,000 soldiers dead in the camp  
Sennacherib the king of Assyria then left and went away  
Sennacherib returned to his home in the city of Nineveh  
Sennacherib went to worship in the temple of Nisroch his god  
Sennacherib was struck down there by two of his sons  
Those two sons were Adrammelech and Sharezer  
This sons then escaped into the land of Ararat  
Esarhaddon his son then reigned in his place**



#### **4. Hezekiah became ill and recovered - 20:1-11**

##### **a. Hezekiah became ill and was told by Isaiah that he would die - 20:1-3**

**Hezekiah was sick and came near death  
Hezekiah had Isaiah come and speak to him  
The Lord told Hezekiah to set his house in order  
The Lord told Hezekiah he would die and not live  
Hezekiah turned his face to the wall  
Hezekiah reminded the Lord how he had walked before Him  
Hezekiah said he had walked in truth and with a loyal heart  
Hezekiah said he had done what was good in the sight of the Lord  
Hezekiah then wept bitterly**

##### **b. Hezekiah was promised another fifteen years by the Lord - 20:4-6**

**Before Isaiah had gone out to the middle court, God spoke to him  
God told Isaiah to return and give Hezekiah a new message  
God told Isaiah to tell him this was a message from the God of David  
God said he had heard the prayer and seen the tears of Hezekiah  
God said that He would surely heal Hezekiah  
God said on the third day Hezekiah would go to the house of the Lord  
God said He would add fifteen years to the life of Hezekiah  
God said He would deliver Hezekiah and the city from Assyria  
God said He would defend Jerusalem for His own sake  
God said he would defend Jerusalem for the sake of David**

##### **c. Hezekiah was given a sign by the Lord - 20:7-11**

**Isaiah told Hezekiah to place a lump of figs on the boil  
When they laid the figs on the boil Hezekiah recovered  
Hezekiah asked, "What is the sign that the Lord will heal me..."  
Hezekiah asked that the sign include him going to the house of the Lord  
Isaiah said that the Lord would give a sign that He had spoken  
Isaiah asked if he wanted the shadow to go forward or backward  
Hezekiah asked that the sun would go backward ten degrees  
Isaiah the prophet cried out as he prayed to the Lord  
The Lord brought the shadow ten degrees (steps) backward  
This happened on the sundial of Ahaz**

**5. Hezekiah showed his wealth to the Babylonians - 20:12-21**

**a. Hezekiah received a present from the king of Babylon - 20:12-13**

**The King of Babylon sent letters and a present to Hezekiah  
The King of Babylon had heard that Hezekiah had been sick  
Hezekiah was attentive to the messengers of the king  
Hezekiah showed them all the treasures of his house  
This included the silver, gold, spices, precious ointment and his armory  
Hezekiah showed them all that was found among his treasures  
There was nothing in his house or dominion that he did not show**

**b. Hezekiah was asked by Isaiah what he had shown his visitors - 20:14-15**

**Isaiah the prophet went to visit King Hezekiah  
Isaiah asked the king what these men said  
Isaiah asked from what country these men came to him  
Hezekiah said the men came from a far country, from Babylon  
The fact they came from a far country may show Hezekiah became proud  
Isaiah asked what the men had seen in the house of Hezekiah  
Hezekiah said that the men had seen all that was in his house  
Hezekiah said that he had shown them all of his treasures**

**c. Hezekiah was given a message by Isaiah the prophet - 20:16-19**

**Isaiah told Hezekiah to “Hear the word of the Lord”  
Isaiah told Hezekiah what would happen to everything in his house  
Isaiah told what would happen to all that his fathers gathered together  
Isaiah said all of those treasures would be carried to Babylon  
Isaiah said that nothing would be left of the things he showed  
Isaiah said they would also take some of the sons and descendants  
Isaiah said these would be from the family line of Hezekiah  
Isaiah said they would be eunuchs in the palace of the Babylon  
Hezekiah told Isaiah that the word that the Lord had spoken was good  
Hezekiah said it meant there would be peace and truth in his days**

**d. Hezekiah died and was buried - 20:20-21**

**Hezekiah also made a pool and brought water into the city**

## **B. The reign of Manasseh over Judah - 21:1-18**

### **1. Manasseh led the people into idol worship again - 21:1-9**

#### **a. Manasseh did evil in the sight of the Lord - 21:1-3**

**Manasseh was twelve years old when he became king  
Manasseh reigned for fifty-five years in Jerusalem  
Manasseh was the son of Hephzibah, the wife of Hezekiah  
Manasseh did evil in the sight of the Lord  
Manasseh followed the abominations of the Canaanites  
Manasseh rebuilt the high places Hezekiah had destroyed  
Manasseh built altars for the worship of Baal  
Manasseh made an Asherah (a wooden image of a female god)  
Manasseh did what Ahab had earlier done in Israel  
Manasseh worshiped and served all of the host of heaven  
This meant he worshiped the sun, moon and stars**

#### **b. Manasseh built altars and offered his son as a sacrifice - 21:4-6**

**Manasseh built altars in the house of the Lord  
The Lord had earlier said, "In Jerusalem I will put My name."  
Manasseh built altars for all the host of heaven  
Manasseh built these altars in the two courts of the house of the Lord  
Manasseh also made his son pass through the fire  
Manasseh practiced soothsaying and used witchcraft  
Manasseh also consulted mediums spiritists and mediums  
Manasseh did much evil to provoke the Lord to anger**

#### **c. Manasseh even set up an idol of Asherah in the temple - 21:7-9**

**Manasseh set up a carved image of Asherah that he had made  
Manasseh set this image in the house of the Lord in Jerusalem  
The house of the Lord had been planned by David and built by Solomon  
This was the place that was chosen by the Lord to put His name forever  
Obedience would have meant that Israel would not wander any more  
That obedience was to obey the Law the Lord gave through Moses  
Judah paid no attention and Manasseh seduced them to do more evil  
Judah did more evil than the nations the Lord had destroyed**

## **2. Manasseh was warned of coming judgment by the prophets - 21:10-15**

### **a. Manasseh acted more wickedly than the Amorites - 21:10-13**

**The Lord spoke by His servants the prophets**  
**The Lord said Manasseh had done these abominations**  
**The Lord said Manasseh acted more wickedly than all the Amorites**  
**The Lord said Manasseh also made Judah sin with his idols**  
**The Lord God of Israel promised judgment for Judah and Jerusalem**  
**The Lord said He would bring great calamity on Jerusalem and Judah**  
**The Lord said all who heard the judgment would have both ears tingle**  
**The Lord said he would judge Jerusalem just as He judged Samaria**  
**The Lord said He would use the plummet of Ahab - see 1 Kings 21:21-22**  
A plummet was a leveling tool and spoke of complete destruction  
**The Lord said He would wipe Jerusalem as one wipes a dish**  
The Lord compared this judgment to wiping a dish on both sides

### **b. Manasseh caused God to forsake Judah - 21:14-15**

**The Lord said He would forsake the remnant of His inheritance**  
**The Lord said he would deliver them into the hand of their enemies**  
This was promised in the Law given to Moses - Deuteronomy 28:63-65  
Christ promised that one day Israel would be restored - Hebrews 8:6-13  
Israel will one day rule with Christ for a thousand years - Revelation 20:4-6  
**The Lord said they would be plunder for all of their enemies**  
**The Lord said they had done evil since they came out of Egypt**  
The Lord said they were still doing evil

## **3. Manasseh killed many innocent people in Jerusalem - 21:16-18**

**Manasseh shed very much innocent blood**  
**Manasseh filled Jerusalem with blood from one end to the other**  
**Manasseh also committed many other acts of sin**  
**These are written in the chronicles of the kings of Judah**  
**Manasseh died and joined his ancestors**  
**Manasseh was buried in the garden of his own house**  
This is the garden where Manasseh and Amon were buried - 2 Kings 21:26  
**Amon, the son of Manasseh, then became king of Judah**

## **C. The reign of Amon over Judah - 21:19-26**

### **1. Amon followed all of the evil of his father - 21:19-22**

**Amon was 22 years old when he became the king of Judah**  
**Amon reigned for two years in Jerusalem**  
**His mother's name was Meshullemeth, the daughter of Haruz**  
**Amon did evil in the sight of the Lord**  
**Amon followed the evil example of his father Manasseh**  
Manasseh had followed the abominations of the nations - 2 Kings 21:2-6  
Manasseh had even set up an idol in the temple - 2 Kings 21:7  
**Amon walked in all of the ways of his father**  
Amon had seen what his father did and followed his example  
**Amon served the idols that his father had served**  
Amon sacrificed to all the idols his father had made - 2 Chronicles 33:22  
**Amon worshiped the idols that his father worshiped**  
**Amon forsook the Lord God of his fathers**  
**Amon did not walk in the way of the Lord**  
Amon did not humble himself before the Lord - 2 Chronicles 33:23

### **2. Amon was killed by his servants - 21:23-26**

#### **a. The servants conspired against Amon and killed him - 21:23-24**

**The servants of Amon conspired against him**  
**The servants killed the king in his own house**  
**The people of the land executed all of those servants**  
**The people brought judgment on those who conspired against Amon**  
**The people made Josiah king in his place**  
Josiah was eight years old when he became king - 2 Kings 22:1

#### **b. The king was buried in his tomb in the garden of Uzza - 21:25-26**

**The rest of the acts of Amon are written in the chronicles**  
**Amon was buried in his tomb in the garden of Uzza**  
His father had also been buried in this garden - 2 Kings 21:18  
**Josiah his son became the king in his place**  
Josiah did what was right in the sight of the Lord - 2 Kings 22:2  
The Lord heard Josiah because he humbled himself - 2 Kings 22:18-19

## **D. The reign of Josiah over Judah - 22:1-23:30**

### **1. Josiah was a good king who followed the Lord - 22:1-2**

**Josiah was eight years old when he became the king**  
He began to seek the Lord in the eighth year of his reign - 2 Chronicles 34:3  
**Josiah reigned for thirty-one years in Jerusalem**  
**Josiah was the son of Jedidah, the daughter of Adaiah**  
**Josiah did what was right in the sight of the Lord**  
He began to cleanse Judah of idols during his twelfth year - 2 Chronicles 34:4  
Josiah cleansed Judah and Jerusalem - 2 Chronicles 34:5  
**Josiah walked in all the ways of his ancestor David**  
**Josiah did not turn aside to the right or to the left**

### **2. Josiah had the temple repaired - 22:3-7**

#### **a. Josiah began repairs on the house of the Lord - 22:3-4**

**Josiah gave instructions in the eighteenth year of his reign**  
This happened after he had cleansed the land and temple - 2 Chronicles 34:8  
**Josiah sent Shaphan to the house of the Lord**  
**Shaphan was the son of Azaliah, the son of Meshullam**  
**Josiah told Shaphan to go to Hilkiah the high priest**  
**Josiah told Hilkiah to count the money brought into the house of the Lord**  
**This money had been gathered by the doorkeepers from the people**

#### **b. Josiah chose faithful men to be responsible for the money - 22:5-7**

**Josiah said it was to be delivered into the hands of those doing the work**  
**These were the men who were overseers of the house of the Lord**  
**The overseers were to distribute the money to the workers**  
These men did their work faithfully - 2 Chronicles 34:11-12  
**These workers were to repair the damages done to the house of the Lord**  
These damages had been done when false altars were built - 2 Kings 21:4-5  
**This included carpenters, builders and masons**  
**They were to buy timber and hewn stone to repair the temple**  
**The workers did not need to give an accounting of the money**  
**The money had been delivered into the hands of the workers**  
**The workers were also those who were dealing faithfully**

### **3. Josiah heard the Word of God read and mourned - 22:8-13**

#### **a. Hilkiyah found a copy of the Book of the Law - 22:8-10**

**Hilkiyah the high priest told Shaphan what had been found**  
**Hilkiyah said he had found the Book of the Law**  
Manasseh may have tried to destroy all of the copies - 2 Kings 21:3-9  
**Hilkiyah said he found it in the house of the Lord**  
**Hilkiyah gave the book to Shaphan the scribe and he read it**  
**Shaphan the scribe went to speak to the king**  
**Shaphan said the servants had gathered the money that was found**  
**The servants had delivered this money to the worker**  
**These were the men who oversaw the house of the Lord**  
**Shaphan the scribe then showed the king the book**  
**Shaphan said that Hilkiyah the priest had given him the book**  
**Shaphan then read the book before the king**

#### **b. Shaphan read the Book of the Law to Josiah - 22:11-12**

**The king heard the words of the Book of the Law**  
**The king tore his clothes when he heard the Law read**  
**The king then gave a command to several servants**  
**This included Hilkiyah the high priest**  
**This included Ahikam the son of Shaphan**  
**This included Achbor the son of Michaiah**  
**This included Shaphan the scribe**  
**This included Asaiah a servant of the king**

#### **c. Josiah asked for guidance from the Lord - 22:13**

**Josiah told these men to inquire of the Lord for him and the people**  
**Josiah told them to inquire about the words that were found**  
**Josiah said those words promised great wrath against Israel**  
This wrath was promised for disobedience - Deuteronomy 28:15-68  
**Josiah said the wrath of the Lord was aroused against them**  
Manasseh and the people had not listened - 2 Kings 21:9  
This had been true throughout their history - Acts 7:51-53  
**Josiah said their fathers had not obeyed the Word of the Lord**  
**Josiah said they had not done according to all that was written**

**4. Josiah asked counsel of Huldah, the prophetess - 22:14-20**

**a. Huldah gave the men a message for the king - 22:14-15**

**Hilkiah, Ahikam, Achbor Shaphan and Asaiah went to Huldah  
Huldah was a prophetess, the wife of Shallum, the son of Tikvah  
Tikvah was the son of Harhas, keeper of the wardrobe  
Huldah lived in Jerusalem in the Second Quarter  
Huldah told the men what the Lord had said  
Huldah said to tell the man who sent them**

**b. Huldah said that judgment would certainly come on Judah - 22:16-17**

**The Lord said He would bring calamity on the city and the people  
The Lord said He would fulfill all the words in the Book of the Law  
The Lord said that would happen because the people forsook Him  
The Lord said the people had also burned incense to other gods  
The Lord said the people had provoked Him to anger  
The Lord said the people had done much evil  
The Lord said His wrath would be against Judah  
The Lord said His wrath would not be quenched**

**c. Huldah said this would not happen during the life of Josiah - 22:18-20**

**The Lord had a better message for the King of Judah who had sent them  
The Lord said Josiah had listened to the words which Josiah had heard  
The Lord said that the heart of Josiah was tender  
The Lord said Josiah had humbled himself before the Lord  
Josiah had humbled himself before the Lord - 2 Chronicles 7:14-15  
The Lord said Josiah had listened to the Word God had spoken  
That Word was both against the city and against its inhabitants  
The Word said they would become a desolation and a curse  
The Lord said Josiah had shown repentance and wept  
The Lord said He had heard the prayer of Josiah  
The Lord said He would gather Josiah to his fathers  
The Lord said Josiah would go to his grave in peace  
The Lord said Josiah would not see this calamity  
The Lord said He would judge that place  
The men brought this word to the king**



**5. Josiah and the people made a covenant with God - 23:1-3**

**The king sent to gather all the elders of Judah and Jerusalem  
The king went to the house of the Lord with all the men of Judah  
The king also took with him all the inhabitants of Jerusalem  
The king took the priests, the prophets and all the people  
The king took with him from the least to the greatest  
The king read in their hearing all the words of the Book of the Covenant  
The king read the book that had been found in the house of the Lord  
The king made a covenant before the Lord to follow the Lord  
The king promised to keep His commandments, testimonies and statutes  
The king promised to keep them with all his heart and all his soul  
The king promised to do the words of this covenant written in this book  
All the people followed the example of the king and made this promise**

**6. Josiah cleansed the temple of the Lord - 23:4-14**

**a. Josiah had all of the idols in the temple removed - 23:4**

**Josiah commanded those working in the temple to bring out all idols  
This included articles made for Baal, for Asherah and all the host of heaven  
These were to be burned outside Jerusalem in the field of Kidron  
Their ashes were then to be taken to Bethel**

**b. Josiah removed the idolatrous priests that former kings appointed - 23:5-6**

**Josiah removed the idolatrous priests appointed by kings of Judah  
This included any who burned incense in Judah or Jerusalem  
Incense was burned to Baal, the sun, the moon, the constellations and stars  
Josiah brought out the wooden image from the house of the Lord  
This image was burned at the Brook Kidron  
The ashes were thrown on the graves of the common people**

**c. Josiah removed the ritual booth of the perverted persons - 23:7**

**Josiah tore down the ritual booths of the perverted persons in the temple  
Those practicing sodomy or prostitution in religious rituals  
Josiah destroyed places where the women wove hangings  
These were woven for the wooden image**

**d. Josiah destroyed the places for human sacrifices - 23:8-10**

**Josiah brought all the priests from the cities of Judah  
Josiah defiled the high places where the priests had burned incense  
Josiah did this from Geba to Beersheba (throughout all Judah)  
Josiah broke down the high places that were at the gates  
(this was at the entrance of the gate of Joshua)  
These gates were on one's left at the city gate  
The priests of the high places did not come to the altar of the Lord  
These priests ate unleavened bread among their brothers  
Josiah destroyed the places where they sacrificed children**

**e. Josiah destroyed the false idols around Jerusalem - 23:11-14**

**1) The king destroyed false worship in the city of Jerusalem - 23:11-12**

**Josiah removed the horses the kings of Judah dedicated to the sun  
These were at the entrance to the house of the Lord  
These were by the chamber of Nathan-Melech, the officer in the court  
Josiah burned the chariots of the sun with fire  
Josiah removed the altars that were on the roof  
Josiah removed the upper chamber of Ahaz made by the kings of Judah  
Josiah removed the altars which Manasseh had made  
These altars were in the two courts of the house of the Lord  
Josiah broke down and smashed these altars  
Josiah had their dust thrown into the Brook Kidron**

**2) The king destroyed false worship east of the city of Jerusalem - 23:13-14**

**Josiah defiled the high places that were east of Jerusalem  
These were on the south of the Mount of Corruption (Olives)  
Solomon had built a high place for Ashtoreth - 1 Kings 11:5  
Ashtoreth was the abomination (idol) of the Sidonians  
Solomon had built a high place for Chemosh - 1 Kings 11:7  
Chemosh was the abomination (idol) of the Moabites  
Solomon had built a high place for Milcom - 1 Kings 11:5  
Milcom was the abomination (idol) of the people of Ammon  
Solomon was not loyal to the Lord his God - 1 Kings 11:4-8  
Josiah broke in pieces the sacred pillars and cut down the wooden images  
Josiah filled their places with the bones of men**

**7. Josiah destroyed the idol worship at Bethel - 23:15-20**

**a. Josiah destroyed the idol that Jeroboam had made - 23:15-16**

**There was an altar at Bethel built by Jeroboam  
There was also a high place where Jeroboam made Israel sin  
Josiah broke down both the altar and the high place  
Josiah burned the high place and crushed it to powder  
Josiah also burned the wooden image  
Josiah then turned and saw tombs on the mountain  
Josiah took the bones out of the tombs and burned them on the altar  
Josiah defiled the altar as the man of God had prophesied  
This prophecy had been made nearly 300 years earlier - 1 Kings 13:1-2**

**b. Josiah put to death the priests of this idol - 23:17-20**

**Josiah then asked whose gravestone he saw  
Josiah heard it was the man of God who prophesied that judgment  
The man of God had said Josiah had destroyed that altar  
Josiah said not to move the bones of the prophet from Samaria  
Josiah took away all the shrines of the high places in Samaria  
The kings of Israel had provoked the Lord to anger by making them  
Josiah did to all those high places what he had done in Bethel  
Josiah executed all the priests of the high places who were there  
Josiah burned men's bones on all the altars  
Josiah then returned to Jerusalem**

**8. Josiah re-established the Passover - 23:21-23**

**Josiah commanded the people to keep the Passover to the Lord their God  
The king supplied many animals for the people - 2 Chronicles 35:7  
They were to keep it as it was written in the Book of the Covenant  
They had not had a Passover like that since the days of the judges  
The people had not gathered for the Passover since Samuel - 2 Chronicles 35:18  
The Levites also placed the Ark of the Covenant in the temple - 2 Chronicles 35:3  
No Passover was held like that by any of the kings of Israel or Judah  
The people did not gather together during the time of the kings - 2 Chron. 35:18  
Josiah held this Passover in his eighteenth year as King  
This Passover was held in the city of Jerusalem**

**9. Josiah destroyed all the false prophets - 23:24-30**

**a. Josiah had a real desire to obey the Lord - 23:24-25**

**Josiah put away those who consulted mediums and spiritists  
Josiah put away the household gods, idols and other abominations  
Josiah made it his goal to carry out the words written in the book  
This was the book Hilkiah the priest found in the house of the Lord  
The Lord said there was no king like Josiah before him  
Josiah turned to the Lord with all his heart, soul and might  
This is the way the Lord wants us to serve Him - Matthew 22:37-40  
Josiah worked to do all according to the Law of Moses  
The Lord said there was no king like Josiah after him**

**b. Josiah heard the Lord would still judge Judah - 23:26-27**

**The Lord did not turn away the fierceness of His great wrath  
The Lord had his anger aroused against Judah  
This was the result of all of the sins of Manasseh against Him  
The Lord had warned Manasseh of this great wrath - 2 Kings 21:10-13  
The Lord said He would remove Judah from His sight  
The Lord said He would remove Judah just as He removed Israel  
The Lord said He would cast off the city of Jerusalem  
The Lord said this was the city that He had chosen  
The Lord had allowed the temple to be built in His name there**

**c. Josiah died and was buried in his tomb in Jerusalem - 23:28-30**

**Josiah also did many other acts during his reign  
Those are written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah  
Pharaoh Necho king of Egypt went to the aid of the king of Assyria  
He went to the River Euphrates  
King Josiah went against Pharaoh Necho  
Pharaoh Necho killed Josiah at Megiddo when he confronted him  
The servants of Josiah moved the body from Megiddo in a chariot  
The servants took the body to Jerusalem  
The servants buried Josiah in his own tomb there  
The people took Jehoahaz the son of Josiah and anointed him  
The people made him king in his father's place**

### **E. The reign of Jehoahaz over Judah - 23:31-33**

**Jehoahaz was twenty-three years old when he became king  
Jehoahaz reigned for three months in the city of Jerusalem  
His mother's name was Hamutal, the daughter of Jeremiah of Libnah  
Jehoahaz did evil in the sight of the Lord  
Josiah was the last king of Judah that was righteous - 2 Kings 22:2  
The last four kings of Judah all did evil - 2 Kings 23:37, 24:9, 24:19  
Jehoahaz did all the evil that his ancestors did - see also 2 Kings 21:2  
Pharaoh Necho put him in prison in Riblah in the land of Hamath  
Pharaoh taxed Judah 100 talents of silver and 1 talent of gold**

### **F. The reign of Jehoiakim over Judah - 23:34-24:7**

#### **1. Jehoiakim was originally named Eliakim - 23:34**

**Pharaoh Necho made Eliakim the king in place of his father Josiah  
Pharaoh changed the name of Eliakim to Jehoiakim  
Pharaoh took Jehoahaz to Egypt where he died**

#### **2. Jehoiakim was taxed by the king of Egypt - 23:35-37**

**Jehoiakim gave the silver and gold to Pharaoh  
Jehoiakim taxed the land for the money Pharaoh commanded  
Jehoiakim took silver and gold from the people of the land  
Jehoiakim took from each person according to his assessment  
Jehoiakim was twenty-five years old when he became king  
Jehoiakim reigned for eleven years in Jerusalem  
The mother of Jehoiakim was Zebudah, the daughter of Pedaiah  
Jehoiakim did evil in the sight of the Lord  
Jehoiakim did all the evil that his fathers had done**

#### **3. Jehoiakim was then ruled by Babylon for three years - 24:1**

**Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon came up against Jerusalem  
Jehoiakim became his servant for three years  
Jehoiakim then turned and rebelled against him  
Nebuchadnezzar had taken all that belonged to the king of Egypt  
For this reason, the king of Egypt did not come against him - 2 Kings 24:7**

**4. Jehoiakim saw raiding bands come from several places - 24:2-4**

**The Lord sent raiding bands against Jehoiakim**  
**This included bands of Chaldeans**  
Babylon later totally destroyed Jerusalem - Jeremiah 35:9  
**This included bands of Syrians**  
**This included bands of Moabites**  
**This included bands of the people of Ammon**  
**These bands were sent by the Lord against Judah to destroy it**  
**This fulfilled the word of the Lord spoken by His prophets**  
Judah had mocked these messengers of the Lord - 2 Chronicles 36:16  
Judah would be handed over to all the kings of the earth - Jeremiah 15:4  
**This commandment of the Lord came on Judah**  
**This was to remove Judah from His sight because of the sins of Manasseh**  
**This was for all of the sins that Manasseh had committed**  
Manasseh worshiped the Baals and the sun, moon and stars - 2 Chronicles 33:3  
Manasseh offered his sons as human sacrifices - 2 Chronicles 33:6  
Manasseh practiced witchcraft and sorcery - 2 Chronicles 33:6  
Manasseh set up idols in the house of the Lord - 2 Chronicles 33:4-7  
Manasseh did more evil than the nations the Lord destroyed - 2 Kings 21:9  
Manasseh got the people to commit these same sins - 2 Chronicles 33:9  
**This was due to the innocent blood that Manasseh shed**  
**Manasseh had filled Jerusalem with innocent blood**  
Manasseh had shed much innocent blood - 2 Kings 21:16  
**The Lord would not pardon the sins of Manasseh**

**5. Jehoiakim died and his son became king in his place - 24:5-6**

**Jehoiakim committed other acts and did much more**  
Jehoiakim committed abominations against the Lord - 2 Chronicles 36:8  
**Those acts are written in the chronicles of the kings of Judah**  
**Jehoiakim rested with his ancestors**  
**Jehoiachin his son reigned in his place**

**6. The king of Egypt no longer came against Judah - 24:7**

**The king of Egypt did not come against Judah any more**  
**The king of Babylon had taken all that belonged to the king of Egypt**  
**This extended from the Brook of Egypt to the River Euphrates**

## **G. The reign of Jehoiachin - 24:8-16**

### **1. Jehoiachin was an evil king - 24:8-9**

**Jehoiachin was eighteen year old when he began to reign  
Jehoiachin reigned in Jerusalem three months  
The mother of Jehoiachin was Nehushta, daughter of Elnathan  
Jehoiachin did all the evil that his father had done**

### **2. Jehoiachin was taken to Babylon - 24:10-16**

**The servants of Nebuchadnezzar came against Jerusalem and besieged it  
Nebuchadnezzar came himself as his servants were besieging the city  
Jehoiachin and the other leaders went out to Nebuchadnezzar  
Jehoiachin was taken as a prisoner in the eighth year of his reign  
Nebuchadnezzar took all of the treasures of the house of the Lord  
Nebuchadnezzar took the treasures in the house of the king  
Nebuchadnezzar cut in pieces the articles of gold made by Solomon  
Nebuchadnezzar took everything as the Lord had said  
Nebuchadnezzar took all the skilled workers as captives  
Nebuchadnezzar left only the poorest people of the land  
Nebuchadnezzar took Jehoiachin as a captive to Babylon  
Nebuchadnezzar took his family, officers and mighty men as captives  
Nebuchadnezzar took all the valiant men and craftsmen as captives**

## **H. The reign of Zedekiah - 24:17-25:7**

### **1. Zedekiah was appointed king by the king of Babylon - 24:17-19**

**Nebuchadnezzar appointed Jehoiachin's uncle as king  
Nebuchadnezzar changed his name to Zedekiah  
Zedekiah was twenty-one years old when he became king  
Zedekiah reigned for eleven years in Jerusalem  
Zedekiah also did evil in the sight of the Lord**

### **2. Zedekiah rebelled against the king of Babylon - 24:20**

**The Lord finally cast Jerusalem and Judah out of His presence  
Then Zedekiah rebelled against the king of Babylon**

**3. Zedekiah was conquered and taken to Babylon - 25:1-7**

**a. Babylon besieged the city until there was no food in it - 25:1-3**

**Nebuchadnezzar and all his army came against Jerusalem - 588 BC  
Nebuchadnezzar encamped against Jerusalem in the ninth year he reigned  
Nebuchadnezzar built a siege wall completely around the city  
The city was besieged until the eleventh year of King Zedekiah  
This caused a famine that lasted until the ninth day of the fourth month  
The famine became so severe there was no food for the people - 586 BC**

**b. Babylon took Zedekiah as a captive to Babylon - 25:4-7**

**Then the city was broken through and the men of war fled by night  
They fled through the gate by the king's garden  
This was done even though the Chaldeans had the city surrounded  
The king went out by the way of the plain  
The Chaldeans (Babylonians) pursued the king  
The Chaldeans overtook the king in the plains of Jericho  
The army was all scattered from the king  
They took the king and brought him to the king of Babylon at Riblah  
The judgment of Zedekiah was pronounced on him at Riblah  
The Babylonians killed the sons of Zedekiah and made him watch  
Then they blinded him and took him in chains to Babylon**

**I. The reign of Gedeliah - 25:8-26**

**1. Babylon took everything of value in Jerusalem - 25:8-17**

**a. Babylon burned Jerusalem with fire and broke down the walls - 25:8-10**

**In the fifth month and seventh day of the month Jerusalem was burned  
This happened in the nineteenth year of King Nebuchadnezzar's reign  
He sent Nebuzaradan to Jerusalem on that day  
Nebuzaradan was the captain of the guard and servant of the king  
He burned the house of the Lord and the king's house  
He burned all the houses of the important people of Jerusalem  
The Nebuzaradan put all of the soldiers with him to work  
He had them tear down all of the walls of the city of Jerusalem**



**b. Babylon took the people left in Jerusalem as captives - 25:11-12**

**Nebuzaradan took away as captives the rest of the people  
This included the people who had turned to the king of Babylon  
This included the rest of the people of the city of Jerusalem  
He left behind some of the poor of the land  
This included those who took care of the grapes  
This included those who were farmers and raised crops**

**c. Babylon took everything of value from the house of the Lord - 25:13-17**

**This included the bronze pillars that were in the house of the Lord  
This included the carts and the bronze Sea in the house of the Lord  
The Chaldeans broke them in pieces and took the bronze to Babylon  
They took away the pots, the shovels, the trimmers and the spoons  
They took all the bronze vessels used in the temple service  
This included the firepans and the basins used in the temple  
This included the things of solid gold and solid silver  
The captain of the guard took all of these things away  
This included the two pillars, one Sea and the carts  
Solomon had made these for the house of the Lord  
One pillar was 18 cubits (27 feet) in height  
The capital on top of it was made of bronze  
The height of the capital was 3 cubits high  
The network and the pomegranates were all of bronze  
The second pillar was like the first pillar**

**2. Babylon killed all of the remaining leaders of Judah - 25:18-21**

**Nebuzaradan took Seraiah the chief priest, Zephaniah the second priest  
Nebuzaradan also took the three doorkeepers of the temple  
He took the officer that was in charge of the men of war  
He took five men who were the king's close associates  
He took the chief recruiting officer of the army  
He took sixty men of the people of the land that were in the city  
Nebuzaradan took the men and brought them to the king of Babylon  
The king of Babylon was at the city of Riblah  
The king of Babylon put all those men to death at Riblah  
That was how Judah was carried away captive from its own land**

**3. Babylon made Gedaliah the governor over the remaining people - 25:22-26**

**a. Gedaliah was appointed governor - 25:22-24**

**Gedaliah was appointed governor over the people who remained**

**Gedaliah was the son of Ahikam and grandson of Shaphan**

Ahikam was one of the men who went to Huldah - 2 Kings 22:14

Shaphan was the scribe for Josiah - 2 Kings 22:3

**Gedaliah was over the people that Nebuchadnezzar left in Judah**

**The captains of the armies heard that Gedaliah was the governor**

**Those captains came to Gedaliah with their men**

**Gedaliah made an oath to those men**

**Gedaliah told them not to be afraid of the servants of the Chaldeans**

**Gedaliah told them to live in the land and serve the king of Babylon**

**Gedaliah said that things would go well for them and their men**

**b. Gedaliah was killed by the people who remained - 25:25-26**

**Ishmael came to Gedaliah in the seventh month**

**Jerusalem had been destroyed in the fifth month - see 2 Kings 25:8**

**Ishmael was a part of the royal family of Judah**

**Ishmael came and brought ten men with him to Mizpah**

**Those men killed Gedaliah, the Jews and the Chaldeans with him**

**The remaining people then all fled to Egypt**

**The reason that they fled was fear of the Chaldeans**

**J. The release of Jehoiachin from prison - 25:27-30**

**Jehoiachin was released from prison in the 37th year of his captivity**

**Jehoiachin was released by Evil-Merodach the king**

Evil-Merodach was the son of Nebuchadnezzar

**Evil-Merodach spoke kindly to Jehoiachin**

**Evil-Merodach gave him a more prominent place than the other kings**

Jehoiachin was a descendant of David so his royal line survived

This fulfilled the promise the Lord had made to David - 2 Samuel 7:12-16

**Jehoiachin also changed out of his prison clothes**

**Jehoiachin ate food regularly before the king the rest of his life**

**The king gave Jehoiachin a regular portion of food**

**The king gave this food to him each day for the rest of his life**