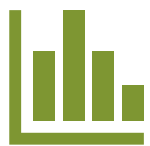


Kings of Judah and Israel

Summary and Main Themes



BACKGROUND

History and Stats



DECREE

Decree Given to the Kings by God



HEART

Desire to obey God's will / decree



SINS

Failures in following the decree

God's Plan for Ruling Israel

Common Types of Government

Monarchy	Rule by one person – king/queen
Oligarchy	Rule by a few - elite
Fascism	Rule through values - cultural
Communism	Rule of the state on behalf of the people
Socialism	Rule of the state to achieve equity for the people
Democracy	Rule of the people
Republic	Indirect rule of the people through representatives

God's Plan for Israel – Theocracy

Exodus 19:4-6

4 'You yourselves have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings, and **brought you to Myself**.

5 Now then, if you will indeed **obey My voice and keep My covenant**, then you shall be **My own possession** among all the peoples, for **all the earth is Mine**;

6 and you shall be **to Me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation**.'...

Isaiah 44:6

6 "Thus says the Lord, **the King of Israel** and his **Redeemer**, the **Lord of hosts**: 'I am the first and I am the last, and there is no God besides Me.'

Reasons for Kings

The People Wanted It

1 Samuel 8:4-5, 20

4 Then all the elders of Israel gathered together and came to Samuel at Ramah;

5 and they said to him, “Behold, you have grown old, and **your sons do not walk in your ways**. Now appoint a king for us **to judge us like all the nations**.”

20 that we also may **be like all the nations**, that our king may judge us and **fight our battles**.”

God Allowed It

1 Samuel 8:7

7 The Lord said to Samuel, “**Listen to the voice of the people** in regard to all that they say to you, for they have not rejected you, but **they have rejected Me from being king over them**.”

God Planned for It

Deuteronomy 17:14-15

14 “**When you enter that land** which the Lord your God gives you, and you possess it and live in it, and you say, ‘I will set a king over me like all the nations who are around me,’

15 you shall surely set a king over you whom the **Lord your God chooses**...

Time Period

1050

About 450 years

550

**United
Israel**
(1040-930)

Judah (Rehoboam to Zedekiah)

About 350 years (930-580)

Israel (Jeroboam to Hoshea)

About 200 years (930-720)

- ❖ Saul
- ❖ David
- ❖ Ishbosheth
- ❖ Solomon

Notable Prophets

During Kings

Elijah | Elisha | Obadiah | Joel | Jonah | Amos | Hosea | Isaiah |
Micah | Nahum | Zephaniah | Jeremiah | Habakkuk

After Kings

Daniel | Ezekiel | Zechariah | Haggai | Malachi

Why United Israel Split

Solomon's Disobedience

1 Kings 11:9-13

9 Now the Lord was angry with Solomon because **his heart was turned away from the Lord**, the God of Israel, who had appeared to him twice

10 and had commanded him concerning this thing, that **he should not go after other gods**; but he did not observe what the Lord had commanded.

11 So the Lord said to Solomon, "Because you have done this, and **you have not kept My covenant and My statutes**, which I have commanded you, I will surely **tear the kingdom from you**, and will give it to your servant

12 Nevertheless I will not do it in your days for the sake of your father David, but I will tear it out of the hand of your son.

13 However, I will not tear away all the kingdom, but **I will give one tribe to your son** for the sake of My servant David and for the sake of Jerusalem which I have chosen."

He went after other gods
AND
Did not keep God's covenant and statutes

Judah given to Rehoboam
Other tribes given to Jeroboam

Kings of the Divided Kingdom

Judah	Years
Rehoboam	17
Abijam (Abijah)	3
Asa	41
Jehoshaphat	25
Joram (Jehoram)	8
Ahaziah (Jehoahaz)	1
Athaliah	7
Joash (Jehoash)	40
Amaziah	29
Uzziah (Azariah)	52
Jotham	16
Ahaz	16
Hezekiah	29
Manasseh	55
Amon	2
Josiah	31
Jehoahaz	1 3 months
Jehoiakim	11
Jehoiachin	1 3 months
Zedekiah	11

<1 YEAR

DYNASTY

GOOD

VERY BAD

To Jesus
Matthew 1:12

Israel	Years
Jeroboam	22
Nadab	2
Baasha	24
Elah	2
Zimri	1 7 days
Tibni	3
Omri	11
Ahab	22
Ahaziah	2
Joram (Jehoram)	12
Jehu	28
Jehoahaz	17
Joash (Jehoash)	16
Jeroboam II	41
Zechariah	1 6 months
Shallum	1 1 month
Menahem	10
Pekahiah	2
Pekah	20
Hoshea	10

Books of the Kings

1 SAMUEL

Saul | David's Early Years

2 SAMUEL

Ishbosheth | David

1 KINGS

Solomon | Kings of Judah | Kings of Israel

2 KINGS

Kings of Judah | Kings of Israel

1 CHRONICLES

Saul (limited) | David

2 CHRONICLES

Solomon | Kings of Judah