

L3L40: Rehoboam's Reign

2 Chronicles 11-12

Rehoboam, the son of King Solomon, was selected to be king after Solomon's death. Rehoboam was 41 years old when he took the throne. His first instinct when the ten tribes declared their independence was to declare war on Israel and bring them back under his rule. Would he succeed and rule over Judah and Israel? What type of king would Rehoboam be? In this lesson, we will learn more about King Rehoboam and the legacy that he left.

Discuss:

- Why did God take the majority of the tribes from Rehoboam, Solomon's son?
- When Solomon learned that God was going to give part of the kingdom to Jeroboam, he tried to thwart God's plan by having him killed. Can anyone stop God from carrying out His plans? How did Jeroboam escape? What made him return to Israel?
- What special opportunity and blessing did God offer to Jeroboam and his descendants?
- Jeroboam set up idols for the people to worship, made priests of anyone, and established different holy days than those that God had ordained. What was his excuse for doing this?
- How did God respond to Jeroboam's actions taking Israel into idolatry?
- When we disobey God, what do we expect will happen? What would we expect God to do?



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Memory Challenge:

1 Kings 11:31

And he said to Jeroboam, "Take for yourself ten pieces, for thus says the Lord, the God of Israel: 'Behold, I will tear the kingdom out of the hand of Solomon and will give ten tribes to you...'"