

## I KINGS 14; May 23; God's Judgment on Jeroboam

### ANALYSIS:

1. What did Jeroboam do when his son Abijah fell sick?

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2. What evil had Jeroboam done that provoked the LORD to anger?

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3. What was the main message the prophet Ahijah sent to Jeroboam by his wife? \_\_\_\_\_

4. How long did Jeroboam reign over Israel \_\_\_\_\_, and Rehoboam over Judah? \_\_\_\_\_

5. What evil did Rehoboam and Judah commit which provoked the LORD? \_\_\_\_\_

### THINGS TO THINK ABOUT:

Why was God's judgment on Jeroboam's family so severe? God had exalted him as prince over the ten tribes of Israel, but he had not kept the LORD'S commandments nor followed Him with all his heart.

Therefore, only his son Abijah would receive a normal burial because in him was found some good thing toward the LORD God of Israel (v 13). All the rest of Jeroboam's family would be cut off and eaten by dogs or fowl of the air at their death (v 10-11).

When the LORD bestows His blessings, and it will be all of His grace, He rightly expects we shall choose to please Him fully. Jesus warned: "For unto whosoever much is given, of him shall be much required" (Lu 12:48). What are ten blessings for which you can give thanks and praise to the LORD today?

### HELP:

1. He sent his wife to ask the prophet Ahijah what shall become of the child (vs 2-3).

2. He made other gods, molten images and cast the LORD behind his back (v 9).

3. Because you have done evil above all before you, therefore, I, the LORD, will bring evil upon your house and destroy it, also your son Abijah shall die and be buried, and the rest of your family will be food for animals and birds (vs 10-11).

4. Jeroboam 22 years (v 20), Rehoboam 17 years (v 21).

5. Built high places, made images and groves, tolerated sodomites and committed the abominations of the nations (vs 23-24).