

THE CONTRASTS IN KINGDOMS
(3 Chronicles 17; 1 Kings 15-16)

Proverbs 14:34 ³⁴ Righteousness exalts a nation, But sin *is* a reproach to *any* people!

III. Jehoshaphat Takes Over In Judah (2 Chronicles 17)

C. Jehoshaphat _____ Asa (17:1-2)

D. Jehoshaphat Instituted _____ in Judah (17:3-9)

1. What things are mentioned about Jehoshaphat?

a. He walked in the way of _____, the man after _____ own heart!

b. He did not seek the _____!

- Who are the Baals?

c. Jehoshaphat sought the _____ & walked in the ways of His _____, and not according to the ways of apostate Israel!

d. Because of Jehoshaphat's attitude, the Lord _____ his kingdom, and all Judah responded by _____ him with gifts & tribute!

- What does verse 6 tell us about Jehoshaphat in light of 2 Chronicles 16:9?

- What does this mean for us?

e. In the 3rd year of his reign Jehoshaphat sent _____ including Levitical _____ around his nation teaching the _____ to his people!

- What happens when people are exposed to bible doctrine face to face?

- What did this teaching result in in Judah? (17:10)

f. Jehoshaphat became increasingly _____ & _____ in His day!

IV. The Kings of Israel (1 Kings 15-16)

12. Israel began with _____, who plunged the nation of Israel into _____!
13. **Nadab**, Jereboam's son, reigned only two years & he did _____ in the sight of the Lord, as he _____ in the _____ of his father Jeroboam!
14. **Baasha** _____ Nadab at Gibbethon and _____ in his place! Baasha also was used of the Lord to _____ God's word & bring Jeroboam's _____ to an _____! (15:29-30)
- Who is sovereignly in control here?
15. Next, _____, Baasha's son reigned in Baasha's place for 2 years!
16. Elah's commander, **Zimri**, _____ against Elah while he was drinking himself drunk at Tirzah!

The point: don't _____ & make the Lord _____, as it may _____ you dearly!

17. Zimri's reign was short lived, as a military _____ by **Omri** the commander of the army, _____ him and took over the nation. Zimri then committed _____, in the kings house, by burning himself to death!
18. It appears there was another _____ within the nation of Israel, until Omri's forces _____ Tibni's forces, in which he was killed leaving Omri then to _____ as Israel's king!
- About Samaria:

19. Omri did _____ in the eyes of the Lord as he followed Jeroboam's _____ ways!
20. Omri's son, _____, now comes to power and he did _____ in the sight of the Lord _____ than _____ that were before him!
21. Ahab married _____, the daughter of Ethbaal, king of the Sidonians, and he went and _____ Baal & _____ him!
22. Ahab built a _____ for Baal worship in Samaria, he set up a wooden _____ for people to worship, thus he did more to _____ the Lord God of Israel to anger than _____ that were kings before him!

What can we learn from all this?