

The Division of the Kingdom #5: Judah: Provoking the Lord to Jealousy

2 Chronicles 11:13-12:16; 1 Kings 14:21-31

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Introduction

1. Our viewpoint of this history: God's covenant people and from the house of David will come Christ.
2. King we consider is Rehoboam. What we know about him:

The Awful Sin

1. The awfulness of Judah's sin cannot be understood without understanding the Lord's covenant.
2. You would expect that under Rehoboam's rule that Judah would have lived obediently, but they walked in great covenant disobedience.
3. We learn of the seriousness of our sin and the perfect rule of Jesus Christ by way of contrast.

The Severe Judgment

1. The judgment of the Lord was swift and severe through Shishak, the king of Egypt.
2. In this judgment the beautiful truth of Jehovah's covenant faithfulness stands out.

The Beautiful Purpose...*Jehovah did this for the coming of Christ*

1. The nation of Judah plunged itself into ungodliness after the division of the kingdom.
2. But Jehovah did not destroy this son of David, but kept him on the throne. Why?