

## The End of the Line

2 Kings 14:23-29; 15:8-12

1. A Reign \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 14:23-29)
  - a. By normal \_\_\_\_\_ analysis and “formula”
    - i. Long reign of \_\_\_\_\_ years
    - ii. Did what was \_\_\_\_\_ in the LORD’s eyes
    - iii. Continued in idolatrous \_\_\_\_\_-worship
    - iv. Lived, fought, died and \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. \_\_\_\_\_ of his reign
    - i. Boundaries restored to those of \_\_\_\_\_
    - ii. Damascus & Hamath restored to Israel
  - c. \_\_\_\_\_ of his reign
    - i. “Success” due to God’s Word thru \_\_\_\_\_
    - ii. “Success” due to LORD’s \_\_\_\_\_
      1. He saw Israel’s \_\_\_\_\_
      2. He saw Israel’s \_\_\_\_\_
      3. He had not yet declared decree of final \_\_\_\_\_
      4. \_\_\_\_\_ saved Israel with hand of king
2. A Reign \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 15:8-12)
  - a. By normal \_\_\_\_\_ analysis and “formula”
    - i. Exceedingly short reign of six \_\_\_\_\_
    - ii. Did what was \_\_\_\_\_ in the LORD’s eyes
    - iii. Continued in idolatrous \_\_\_\_\_-worship
  - b. Reign defined by its \_\_\_\_\_ end
    - i. Open \_\_\_\_\_
    - ii. \_\_\_\_\_ and replacement
  - c. \_\_\_\_\_ of his reign
    - i. Word of the LORD \_\_\_\_\_ carried out
    - ii. “And it became \_\_\_\_\_.”

*And the LORD said to Jehu, "Because you have done well in carrying out what is right in my eyes, and have done to the house of Ahab according to all that was in my heart, your sons of the fourth generation shall sit on the throne of Israel."*

2 Kings 10:30

*So Solomon held the feast at that time, and all Israel with him, a great assembly, from Lebo-hamath to the Brook of Egypt, before the LORD our God, seven days.*

1 Kings 8:65

*Hear the word of the LORD, O children of Israel, for the LORD has a controversy with the inhabitants of the land. There is no faithfulness or steadfast love, and no knowledge of God in the land.*

Hosea 4:1

*Hear this word that the LORD has spoken against you, O people of Israel, against the whole family that I brought up out of the land of Egypt: "You only have I know of all the families of the earth; therefore I will punish you for all your iniquities."*

Amos 3:1-2

"Prosperity may be a sign of Yahweh's compassions but not of His commendation."

(Dale Ralph Davis, *2 Kings: The Power and the Fury*, 2005, p. 217)

"For the successors of Zechariah were not so much kings as robbers and tyrants, unworthy of the august name of kings, who lost with ignominy the tyranny which they had wickedly acquired, and as wickedly exercised."

(Herrman Witsius, late 17<sup>th</sup> century Dutch theologian as quoted by Keil & Delitzsch's 18<sup>th</sup> century commentary on the Bible)

"And it was so."

Genesis 1:7,9,11,15,24,30