

Jeroboam's False Religion

1 Kings 12:25-13:34

- I. Introduction**
- II. The Motivation for False Religion -Carnal Security - vv. 25-27**
 - A. Jeroboam is insecure and reasons that he must compete with Judah (11:26, 38)**
- III. The Allure of False Religion - Its Subtlety vv. 28-30 (Exodus 32)**
 - A. Jeroboam sets up worship centers in the north (Ex. 32:1-8)**
 - B. The two locations with the goal of keeping Israel from worshipping in Judah**
- IV. The Foolishness of False Religion – Its Man-made Inventions vv. 12:31-33**
 - A. Jeroboam institutes a new religious order (2 Chron. 11:13-17)**
 - B. He introduces a new feast, rivaling the Feast of Tabernacles**
 - C. Beware of new, fanciful religious innovations (Col. 2:23)**
- V. The Result of False Religion - God's Judgment 1 Kings 13**
 - A. God dispatches a man of God from Judah to visit Bethel vv. 1-10 (2 Kings 23:15f; Lev. 4:12, 6:10-11)**
 - B. An old prophet deceives the man of God vv. 11-32 (Gal. 1:8)**
 - C. Jeroboam persists with his idolatry vv. 13:33-34**
- VI. Conclusion / Application (Matt. 23:27)**