

# Israel Splits: The Northern Kingdom with Elijah and Elisha

THE OLD TESTAMENT \* Week 30 \* Opening Prayer from the 1662 BCP:

Grant, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that our Sovereign Lord the King, whom thou didst this day happily bring home and restore to us, may be a mighty protector of his people, a religious defender of thy sacred Faith, and of thy holy Church among us, a glorious conqueror over all his enemies, a gracious governor unto all his subjects, and a happy father of many children to rule this Nation by succession in all ages, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

- I. 1 Kings 12 – 931 B.C. – Israel splits  
2 Kings 12:1-20 –
  
- II. 1 Kings 12:25-33 – Jeroboam sets the standard for the 19 Kings of Israel, who all “walked in the ways of Jeroboam”
  - A. 1 Kings 12:26-30 –
  
  - B. 1 Kings 12:31-32 –
  
  - C. Though God called (1 Kings 11:29-39), Jeroboam wasted his opportunity
  
- III. Rest of history of Israel is 200 years of rebellion and decay until they are conquered by Assyria in 722, taken and scattered into the Assyrian Empire, and cease to exist as a people. These are the “10 Lost Tribes of Israel.”
  - A. 19 BAD kings
  
  - B. Only bright spots are four Prophets: 2 writing (Amos and Hosea) and 2 non-writing pre-messianic miracle workers (Elijah and Elisha)
  
- IV. Elijah (“Yahweh is God”) – 1 Kings 17-19; 2 Kings 1-2
  - A. 1 Kings 17:1-6 – (James 5:17-18)
  
  - B. 1 Kings 17:7-24 – (Luke 4:26)
  
  - C. 1 Kings 18 –
  
  - D. 1 Kings 19 –

- E. 2 Kings 1 – (Luke 9:51-56)
- F. 2 Kings 2 –
- G. Malachi 4:5-6 – Elijah = John the Baptist
- V. Elisha (“God of Prayer”) – 1 Kings 19; 2 Kings 2-8; 13
  - A. 2 Kings 2:9
  - B. 2 Kings 2:19-22 –
  - C. 2 Kings 2:23-24 –
  - D. 2 Kings 4:1-7 –
  - E. 2 Kings 4:8-37 –
  - F. 2 Kings 4:38-44 –
  - G. 2 Kings 5 –Naaman (Luke 4:27)
  - H. 2 Kings 6-7 – 1
  - A. 2 Kings 13:20-21 –

Closing Prayer: *19. For the President of the United States and all in Civil Authority*, BCP 820

## **Preparation for next week: Read Isaiah 1-22**

**What we have read so far: Genesis-2 Kings;  
2 Chronicles 26-35; Job-Song of Solomon**