

Day 4: READ → 1 Kings 12:26-33

READ & ANSWER → Answer the following questions about what Jeroboam did.

Why didn't Jeroboam want the people to go to Jerusalem?

What did the king have made? _____

Would worshipping two golden calves please God? _____

Why? _____

Which of the 10 Commandments is this breaking? _____

Do you think that God will keep Jeroboam over King of these 10 tribes of Israel? _____ Why or why not? _____

PRAY → *Holy Father, Thank you for your commandments that teach us to Love you and Love others. Amen.*

_____ I completed this weekly devotion with my adopted pet. (You will receive an additional \$2 Kids' Kash this week.) Way to go!

Child's Name: _____

Parent Signature: _____

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THE KINGDOM DIVIDED

1 Kings 11-13

Big Picture Question: How many gods are there?
There is one true God who alone deserves worship.

Main Point: Rehoboam's foolish sin divided the kingdom.

Day 1: READ → 1 Kings 11:4-13

READ & DISCUSS → Even though Solomon asked for wisdom he didn't always make wise choices. Like Solomon, just because we want something doesn't make it right and doesn't mean we should do it. God has a purpose behind His commands.

Discuss these questions with your family.

What is the purpose for God's rules?

Do God's rules help us or hinder us?

Is there ever a time to not follow God's rules?

We have read about many great people in the Old Testament, did they all follow God's rules?

What happened to them?

PRAY → All knowing God, You give us rules to keep us safe. When our "want it now" feelings take over, remind us that you know everything about the past, present, and future. Teach us that Your rules are for our very best. Amen.

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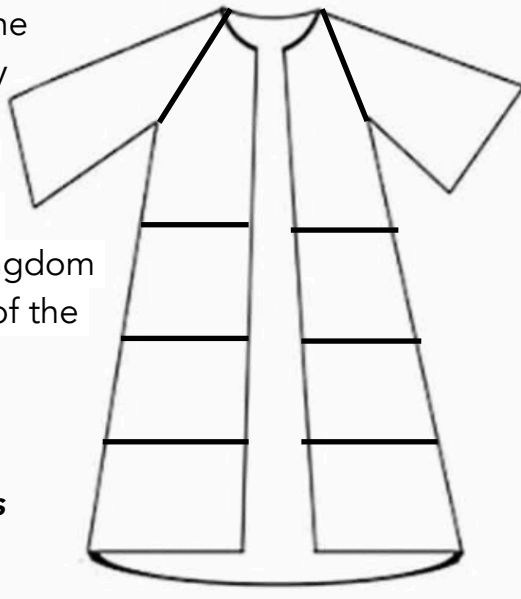


Day 2: READ → 1 Kings 11:26-40

READ & LABEL → Today you read about Jeroboam a good worker for king Solomon. He met a prophet who told him that he would be king of 10 of the 12 tribes of Israel. **Label the cloak below with the 10 tribes Jeroboam would rule.**

Jeroboam became the first king of the newly formed, ten-tribe Kingdom of Israel. The southern part of the kingdom, the Kingdom of Judah, consisted of the tribes of Judah and Benjamin.

PRAY → *Thank you, God, for all the ways You know what we need. Amen.*

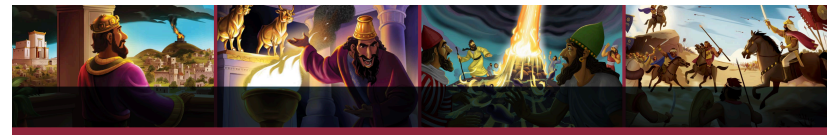


Day 3: READ → 1 Kings 12:1-20

READ & DO → Rehoboam had to decide if he should trust the advice of his father's counselors or go with his friends. Trust is a hard thing to give others especially when our friends tell us something different. Try this trust example today.

This will work best in your kitchen or dining room. Choose someone in your family to go to another room and put on a blindfold. The rest of your family will be giving directions to that person to sit in a chair. Go get the blindfolded person and bring them back to the kitchen. Have the rest of the family give directions. Once the blindfolded person is in the chair, talk about what happened. Was it easy or hard to listen? Did you trust the information being given to you? Why or why not? Did it work or not?

PRAY → *God, Today we see Rehoboam choosing who to trust. It is often easy to trust the people we know well, even if the advice they are giving us isn't the best. God, today we want to remember to ALWAYS think about you and trust your word first. Amen.*



... so that all the peoples of the earth may know that the LORD is God and that there is no other.

1 Kings 8:60