



COURSE: BIBLE HISTORY

SUBJECT: JOSHUA THROUGH NEHEMIAH – HISTORY OF THE HEBREW NATION

LESSON NO. 42 and 43 - THE DIVIDED KINGDOM (CONTINUED)

- A. Revelation of The Redeeming Purpose *Gen. 1:1-11:9.*
- 1. The Hebrew Family *Gen. 11:10-50:26.*
- 2. The Israelite Nation *Exodus-Nehemiah.*
 - a. Bondage *Exod. 1:1-7:7.*
 - b. Wonders -The Ten Plagues *Exod. 7:8-12:36.*
 - c. Exodus Wandering *Exod. 12:37-Num. 21:20.*
 - d. Conquest of The East Bank *Num. 21:21-36:13.*
 - e. Conquest of Canaan *Josh. 1-12.*
 - f. Division of the Land of Canaan *Josh. 13-22.*
 - g. The Judges *Judges 1:1-1 Samuel 8.*
 - h. The United Kingdom *1 Sam. 9:1-1 Kings 11:43.*
 - i. The Divided Kingdom *1Kings 12:1-Neh. 13:31.*
 - (1) Division of Solomon’s Empire at his Death.
 - (2) History of Divided Kingdom
 - (3) Elements Contributing to the Division in 931 B.C.
 - (4) The Result of Jeroboam’s Sin in Erecting Two Golden Calves.
 - (5) The First 100 Years of Division.
 - (6) Second 100 Years of Division.
 - (a) The Kings of This Period

JUDAH		ISRAEL	
Athalia (Woman Usurper)	6 Yrs.	Jehu	28 Yrs.
Joash	40 Yrs.	Jehoahaz	17 Yrs.
Amaziah	29 Yrs.	Jehoash	16 Yrs.
Uzziah	52 Yrs.	Jeroboam II	41Yrs.
		Zechariah	6 Mos.

- (b) Outstanding Events in the South (Judah)
 - Athaliah
 - A woman usurper.
 - Slew all seed royal, except Joash.
 - Slain by the people during in insurrection led by Jehoida, the priest.
 - Under Jehoida the worship of Jehovah is restored. These are stirring times.
 - Joash
 - Seven years old when he began to reign.
 - Did right as long as Jehoida lived; then became evil, forsook Jehovah; slew Zechariah, son of Jehoida.
 - Slain by his own servants.
 - Amaziah
 - Did right but not with a perfect heart.
 - Put down Edom, then took their gods to Jerusalem to worship.

- Warred against Jehoash but was defeated.
- Jehoash broke down the walls of Jerusalem and took the gold, silver, etc.
- Uzziah (Also called Azariah)
 - 16 years old when reign began, did right.
 - Put down enemies.
 - Promoted husbandry
 - Became priest, offered incense, smitten with leprosy, died shut up in an infirmary.

(c) Outstanding Events in the North (Israel).

- Jehu
 - Smites house of Ahab and Jezebel *2 Kings 9:11-37.*
 - Slays Ahab's 70 sons *2 Kings 10:1-17.*
 - Slays priests and worshippers of Baal *2 Kings 10:18-38.*
- Jehoahaz
 - Called on Jehovah and saved Israel from destruction at hands of Syria.
- Jehoash
 - Came to Elisha as Prophet was dying.
 - Given victory over Syrians in three battles.
- Jeroboam, II
 - Restored borders of Israel to their place, they were at death of Solomon.
 - Great prosperity under his reign.
- Zechariah
 - Fourth and last of Jehu's line to sit upon the throne.

(d) Prophets of this Period

- Joel 830 B.C.
 - Theme : The Day of Jehovah.
 - Message : Doom of the nations.
 - Lesson : God and His cause will ultimately triumph.
- Jonah 800-780 B.C.
 - Theme : God's willingness to save the heathen if they repent.
 - Message : Jehovah is the one universal God.
 - Lesson : 1. One cannot runaway from God.
2. When God assigns a difficult task, do it.
3. Our concern should be with souls, not gourds.
- Amos 755 B.C.
 - Theme : God is a God of righteousness and justice.
 - Message : Doom.
 - Lesson : 1. Elaborate worship insults God when no heart to obey.
2. Ease, idleness and luxury lead to open sin.
3. The value of the desert – discipline.
- Hosea 750-735 B.C.
 - Theme : God is a God of righteousness and love.
 - Message : Doom of Israel, due to a lack of knowledge.
 - Lesson : 1. Without knowledge there can be no fellowship with God.
2. The sacredness and sanctity of the marriage bond.
3. Inward corruption more dangerous than external enemies.