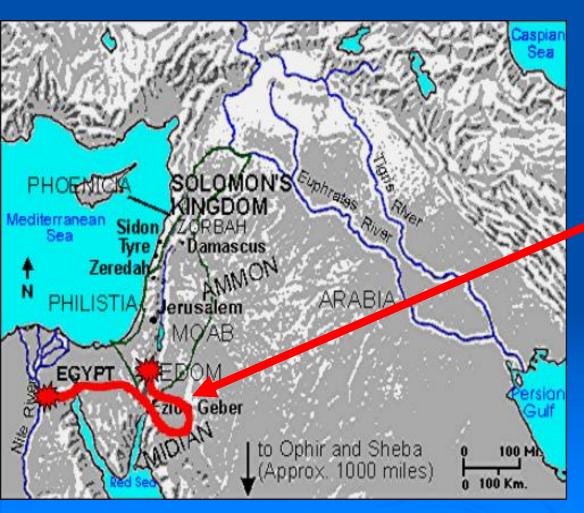
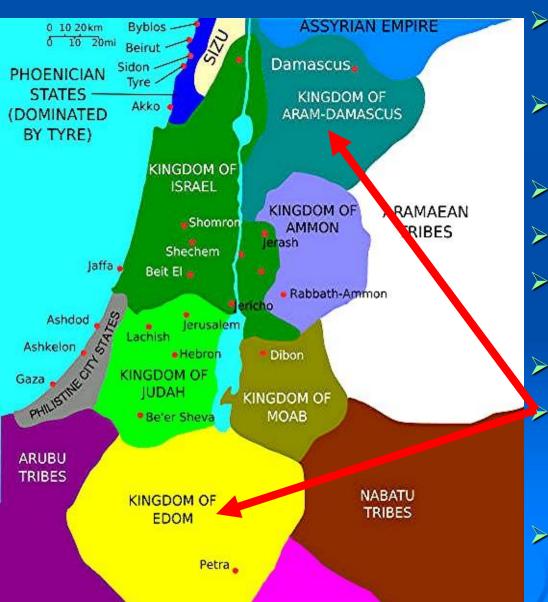
HADAD FLEES TO EGYPT



- 3 societal platforms
- > 1st Kings 11
- Israel in process of being divided
- Hadad flees to
- Egypt through
 Midian and Paran
- > 2nd Sam 8:13, 14
- After David died
 Hadad returned to
 Edom to cause
 trouble for Shlomo
 and Israel

REZON THE NORTHERN ENEMY



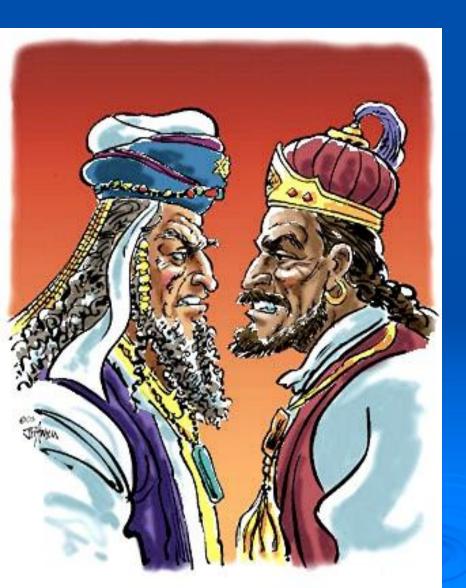
- Vs. 23, a 2nd antagonist, Rezon
- Servant to *Hadad-ezer* (not the other Hadad)
- > 2nd Sam. 8:3 8
- Rezon = Hezion
- Escaped and formed his own band of mercenaries
- Took over Damascus
- Solomon now had enemies with power bases in the north and the south
- This was God's purpose for Rezon and Hadad

JEROBOAM COMES FROM "A MOTHER OF SHAME"

- Yarov'am the 3rd antagonist against Solomon
- NOT an Efrati, but rather an Ephraimite
- His mother was Tz'ru'ah
- A nickname that comes from the root word for skin diseases *Tzara'at*
- Skin condition thought to indicate an unclean soul



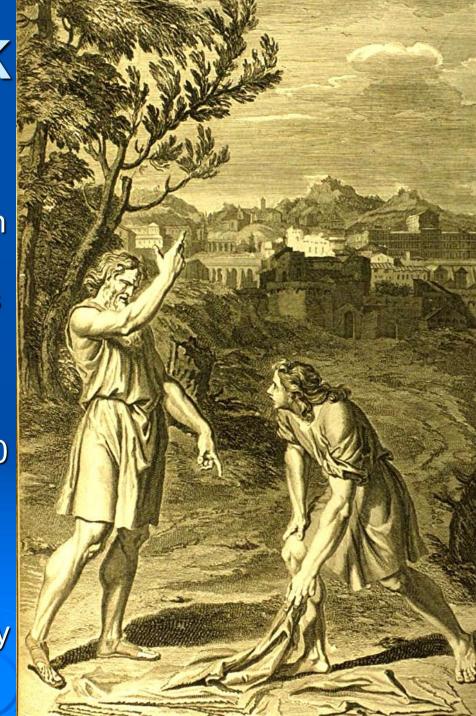
JEROBOAM RAISED HIS YAD AGAINST SHLOMO



- To raise his yad (hand) means to reproach the King publicly and slanderously
- Gibbor hayil = mighty man of valor
- Character not the issue
- Put in charge of forced labor (as taxes) from the Joseph tribes (Ephraim and Manessah)
- Current project was reconstructing the Millo
- Necessary for him to travel outside of Jerusalem

THE TORN CLOAK

- > Achiyah = God, my brother
- From Shiloh, important religious center for the northern tribes of Israel
- Importance of the cloak was its NEWNESS
- New generally denotes a fresh or new work of God
- Cloak cut into 12 pieces and 10 given to Jeroboam signifies that the northern tribes will be ruled by Jeroboam
- Out of kindness for David, 1 tribe will continue to be ruled by his dynasty (Judah)



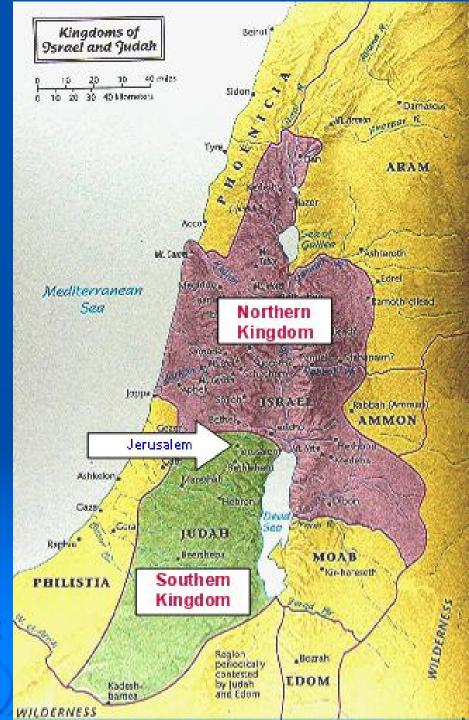
SIMEON AND BENJAMIN

- Simeon doomed to be dispersed due to Jacob's "blessing" and due to location
- Benjamin was a buffer state between the northern and southern tribal coalitions, and rocked back and forth
- In the past Judah was usually allied with Benjamin, but not always



ISRAEL IN CONTEXT

- Northern tribes given to Jeroboam NOT for his merit, but due to Shlomo's unfaithfulness
- Jeroboam's dynasty to be "enduring" but not "forever"
- Jeroboam to rule only over 10 tribes
- David was to rule over all 12
- A few decades after the split, Israel became called Ephraim
- From here on, Israel can at times mean all 12 tribes, and at other times only the 10 northern tribes



JEROBOAM FLEES TO EGYPT



- Here in 1st Kings 11 God pronounces the split of Israel that has never again been united
- Today we have the privilege of witnessing the healing and restoration of the two kingdoms commencing
- When Jeroboam "raised his hand" against Solomon, Shlomo tried to execute him
- The new Pharaoh was Shishak, 1st Pharaoh of 22nd Dynasty and no friend of David or Solomon
- Former Pharaoh was Siamun a loyal ally of Solomon

JEROBOAM HAD ALREADY DISOBEYED THE LORD

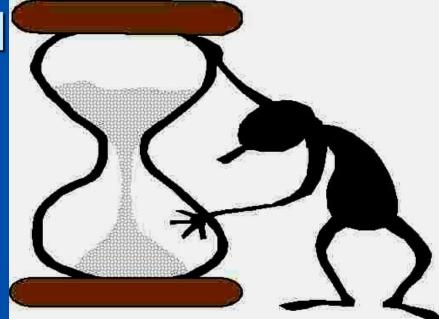


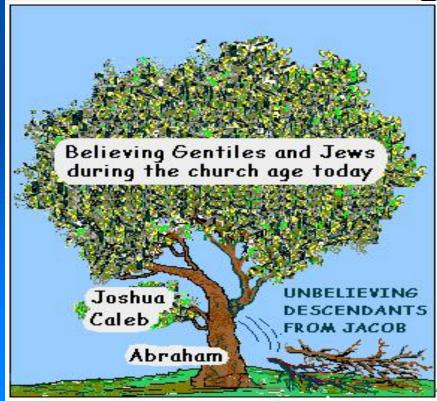
- Jeroboam was to WAIT until Solomon had died....he didn't
- David refused to lay a finger on King Saul
- Jeroboam did the part he liked and threw away the rest of God's commands to him
- Gentile Christians have done similarly from earliest times
- We have cut ourselves off from God's people, God's covenants, and God's Torah



NEITHER JERBOAM NOR THE CHURCH WOULD WAIT!

- God's process and timing didn't matter
- The end result was the 10 tribes falling away from God's Torah
- The Church erected a wall to the Jews and wanted control NOW!
- Solomon dies at about 62 years of age
- ➤ The Annals of Solomon is a lost book but much in 1st Kings is taken from it
- Rechov'am immediately succeeded his father Shlomo





1ST KINGS CHAPTER 12: END OF THE GOLDEN AGE OF ISRAEL



- A united Israel lasted for only 80 years!
- No known dispute or controversy over
 Rehoboam replacing
 Solomon
- Rechov'am's mother was an Ammonite
- He was probably 21 years old, not 41, when he was crowned