

## INTRODUCTION

- \* Last week we began a transition in our study of the Biblical history of Israel moving into the period of the divided kingdom.
- \* In that study, we saw how God offered ten tribes to Jeroboam the son of Nebat because of the wickedness of Solomon. Solomon had left his devotion to YHWH and began to worship false gods.
- \* Today, we consider the reign of Jeroboam and fateful decision to lead the northern tribes of Israel down a path that would ultimately lead to their destruction.

## INSTRUCTION ... *Today's passage has the impression of being one act of a larger play - the act being broken up into three scenes*

### I. SCENE 1: \_\_\_\_\_ (cf. 1 Kings 12:25-13:6)

#### A. The Golden Calves

1. JEROBOAM'S M\_\_\_\_\_ ION (cf. 1 Kings 12:25-28; James 1:14)
2. JEROBOAM'S D\_\_\_\_\_ ION (cf. 1 Kings 12:28-33)
  - a. The Repl\_\_\_\_\_ of True Worship (cf. John 4:19-24)
  - b. The Repl\_\_\_\_\_ of Israel's Sin at Mt. Sinai (cf. Exodus 32:1-6)

#### B. The Man of God

1. THE W\_\_\_\_\_ OF THE LORD (cf. 1 Kings 13:1-2)
2. THE S\_\_\_\_\_ OF THE LORD (cf. 1 Kings 13:3-6)

### II. SCENE 2: \_\_\_\_\_ (cf. 1 Kings 13:7-32)

#### A. The Testimony of the Man of God (cf. 1 Kings 13:7-10, 16-17)

#### B. The Testimony of the "Old Prophet" (cf. 1 Kings 13:11-32)

1. HIS DEC\_\_\_\_\_ TION (cf. 1 Kings 13:11-26; cf. Deuteronomy 13:1-5; 18:20-22; 2 Cor 11:3-4,13-15; Acts 21:1-14; 20:22-24)
  - a. The A\_\_\_\_\_ e P\_\_\_\_\_ of the W\_\_\_\_\_ of God
  - b. The A\_\_\_\_\_ e P\_\_\_\_\_ and the W\_\_\_\_\_ of God (cf. Acts 21:1-14; 20:22-24)
2. HIS DEC\_\_\_\_\_ TION (cf. 1 Kings 13:27-32; cf. Matt 8:29; Acts 19:15)

### III. SCENE 3: \_\_\_\_\_ (cf. 1 Kings 13:33 - 14:20)

#### A. Jeroboam's R\_\_\_\_\_ tion of God's Message (cf. 1 Kings 13:33-34)

#### B. Jeroboam's Q\_\_\_\_\_ tion for God's Messenger (cf. 1 Kings 14:1-20)

1. THE M\_\_\_\_\_ OF ABIJAH
2. THE M\_\_\_\_\_ OF AHIJAH

## INTROSPECTION

- \* WHAT DO YOU **DO** WITH MESSAGE OF GOD THAT YOU RECEIVE THROUGH HIS WORD AND HIS MESSENGERS?
- \* DO YOU BELIEVE THAT GOD WILL HOLD YOU ACCOUNTABLE AS HE DID "THE MAN OF GOD"?
- \* HOW DILIGENT ARE YOU TO "TEST THE SPIRITS" IN ORDER TO DISCERN THE TRUTH OF THE MESSAGE?
- \* WHAT DOES IT TAKE ... OR WILL IT TAKE ... FOR GOD TO GET YOUR ATTENTION?
- \* IS THERE A NEED TO "CHANGE THE WAY YOU THINK" ... AND, THEREFORE, ACT?