

# Divided Kingdom

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**THE DIVIDED KINGDOM**  
 IN THE DAYS OF  
 JEROBOAM II OF ISRAEL  
 AND UZZIAH OF JUDAH

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### 2 Chronicles 28 [2 Kings 16; Isaiah 7]

- The wickedness of Ahaz:
    - 2Ch 28:1-4 *Ahaz was twenty years old when he began to reign; and he reigned sixteen years in Jerusalem: and he did not that which was right in the eyes of Jehovah, like David his father; (2) but he walked in the ways of the kings of Israel, and made also molten images for the Baalim. (3) Moreover he burnt incense in the valley of the son of Hinnom, and burnt his children in the fire, according to the abominations of the nations whom Jehovah cast out before the children of Israel. (4) And he sacrificed and burnt incense in the high places, and on the hills, and under every green tree.*
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- Israel & Syria ally against Judah:
    - Ahaz's fear:
      - *Isa 7:2 And it was told the house of David, saying, Syria is confederate with Ephraim. And his heart trembled, and the heart of his people, as the trees of the forest tremble with the wind.*
    - A puppet king:
      - *Isa 7:5-6 Because Syria, Ephraim, and the son of Remaliah, have purposed evil against thee, saying, (6) Let us go up against Judah, and vex it, and let us make a breach therein for us, and set up a king in the midst of it, even the son of Tabeel;*
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### 2 Chronicles 28 [2 Kings 16; Isaiah 7]

- Israel & Syria ally against Judah:
    - Israel & Syria will not stand:
      - Isa 7:4,7 *and say unto him, Take heed, and be quiet; fear not, neither let thy heart be faint, because of these two tails of smoking firebrands, for the fierce anger of Rezin and Syria, and of the son of Remaliah... (7) thus saith the Lord Jehovah, It shall not stand, neither shall it come to pass.*
      - Isa 7:8 *For the head of Syria is Damascus, and the head of Damascus is Rezin; and within threescore and five years shall Ephraim be broken in pieces, so that it shall not be a people:*
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- Israel & Syria ally against Judah:
    - Isaiah's warning to Ahaz:
      - Isa 7:9 *and the head of Ephraim is Samaria, and the head of Samaria is Remaliah's son. If ye will not believe, surely ye shall not be established.*
    - Deliverance rejected; a sign given:
      - Isa 7:10-13 *And Jehovah spake again unto Ahaz, saying, (11) Ask thee a sign of Jehovah thy God; ask it either in the depth, or in the height above. (12) But Ahaz said, I will not ask, neither will I tempt Jehovah. (13) And he said, Hear ye now, O house of David: Is it a small thing for you to weary men, that ye will weary my God also?*
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### 2 Chronicles 28 [2 Kings 16; Isaiah 7]

- Israel & Syria ally against Judah:
    - Sign given of Israel's & Syria's fall:
      - Isa 7:14-16 *Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign: behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel. (15) Butter and honey shall he eat, when he knoweth to refuse the evil, and choose the good. (16) For before the child shall know to refuse the evil, and choose the good, the land whose two kings thou abhorrest shall be forsaken.*
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- Israel & Syria ally against Judah:
  - Judah afflicted by enemies:
    - 2Ch 28:5-6,8 *Wherefore Jehovah his God delivered him into the hand of the king of Syria; and they smote him, and carried away of his a great multitude of captives, and brought them to Damascus. And he was also delivered into the hand of the king of Israel, who smote him with a great slaughter. (6) For Pekah the son of Remaliah slew in Judah a hundred and twenty thousand in one day, all of them valiant men; because they had forsaken Jehovah, the God of their fathers. (8) And the children of Israel carried away captive of their brethren two hundred thousand, women, sons, and daughters, and took also away much spoil from them, and brought the spoil to Samaria.*

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### 2 Chronicles 28 [2 Kings 16; Isaiah 7]

- Ahaz “hires” Assyria:
    - Assyria distresses Judah, captures Damascus:
      - 2Ch 28:16,20-21 *At that time did king Ahaz send unto the kings of Assyria to help him... (20) And Tilgath-pilneser king of Assyria came unto him, and distressed him, but strengthened him not. (21) For Ahaz took away a portion out of the house of Jehovah, and out of the house of the king and of the princes, and gave it unto the king of Assyria: but it helped him not.*
      - 2Ki 16:9 *And the king of Assyria hearkened unto him; and the king of Assyria went up against Damascus, and took it, and carried the people of it captive to Kir, and slew Rezin.*
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- Ahaz “hires” Assyria:
    - Ahaz adopts the helpless gods of Syria:
      - *2Ki 16:10-12 And king Ahaz went to Damascus to meet Tiglath-pileser king of Assyria, and saw the altar that was at Damascus; and king Ahaz sent to Urijah the priest the fashion of the altar, and the pattern of it, according to all the workmanship thereof. (11) And Urijah the priest built an altar: according to all that king Ahaz had sent from Damascus, so did Urijah the priest make it against the coming of king Ahaz from Damascus. (12) And when the king was come from Damascus, the king saw the altar: and the king drew near unto the altar, and offered thereon.*
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### 2 Chronicles 28 [2 Kings 16; Isaiah 7]

- Ahaz “hires” Assyria:
    - Ahaz shuts up the temple:
      - 2Ch 28:24 *And Ahaz gathered together the vessels of the house of God, and cut in pieces the vessels of the house of God, and shut up the doors of the house of Jehovah; and he made him altars in every corner of Jerusalem.*
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### 2 Chronicles 28 [2 Kings 16; Isaiah 7]

- Death of Ahaz:
    - Another king not buried with the kings:
      - 2Ch 28:27 *And Ahaz slept with his fathers, and they buried him in the city, even in Jerusalem; for they brought him not into the sepulchres of the kings of Israel: and Hezekiah his son reigned in his stead.*
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  - Nadab – 2y
  - **Baasha** – 24y
  - Elah – 2y
  - **Zimri** – 1w
  - **Omri** – 12y
  - Ahab – 22y
  - Ahaziah – 2y
  - Jehoram (Joram) – 12y
  - **Jehu** – 28y
  - Jehoahaz – 17y
  - Joash (Jehoash) – 16y
  - Jeroboam II – 41y
  - Zechariah – 6m
  - **Shallum** – 1m
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