The Sins of Jeroboam

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I want to share with you from the Scriptures something The Lord has made real to me that was the cause of many problems for the nation of Israel and that ultimately brought upon them God's severe judgment. But The Lord has shown me that we today as Believers, as the true Israel of God must also be aware of this, and not allow this same spirit to operate in us. 1 Corinthians 10 tells us that these "stories" - of what happened to Israel were our examples: they are written for our admonition so that we would not do the evil things that Israel did and suffer the same fate they did. 1 Corinthians 10:6, "Now these things were our examples, to the intent we should not lust after evil things, as they also lusted... 11 Now all these things happened unto them for our examples: and they are written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the world are come." And I pray that we would take that to heart. Let us not just learn the "Bible stories", but understand God's Mind in relating them to us, and truly learn from them.

What I will be talking about is "the Sins of Jeroboam". This is a phrase that we read more than 20 times in the books of 1 and 2 Kings. (Please see these references at the end of the sharing.) But even though they are written so many times, most of us have probably never really understood or considered this. And it is important that we see not only that this man Jeroboam did sin, but he made Israel – God's people to sin by what he did! This is something that is very serious because what he did provoked The Lord God of Israel to anger. The Bible describes this as "walking"

in the way of Jeroboam" and always relates that to "doing evil in the sight of The Lord", "in his sin - to make Israel sin", and this provokes The Lord to anger.

Now generally we think of "sin" in terms of things we do in our bodies, ie. fornication, drinking alcohol etc. or according to The Ten Commandments: "Thou shalt not kill, steal, lie, covet" etc. but "sin" in the Bible means to miss, to come short, an offense against God. It is doing something that is contrary not only to The Word of God, but to the Nature, the Heart, the Will and Plan of God. And this is important to understand regarding "the sins of Jeroboam" because this was not inadvertent sin: something he was not aware of. God had made Himself, His Will and Mind known to Israel in many ways, but Jeroboam and many in Israel chose to do what was contrary to God's Word and what He had made known to them.

And in order for us to understand why "the sins of Jeroboam" were so destructive to Israel, we must see that the Bible speaks of "The Place". And in the Scriptures it is always "THE Place": not A Place or ANY Place; but only and exclusively THE PLACE God had chosen and prepared for His people. This was for the People Jehovah had redeemed out from Egypt unto Himself. He would bring them into another land, to The Place where He would dwell. And it is important that we understand this is all what The Lord did, and that He did it for His Purpose. This is gloriously spoken of in Moses' Song after Israel was brought out of Egypt and through the Red Sea. Exodus 15: 13, "Thou in thy mercy hast led forth the people which thou hast redeemed: thou hast guided them in thy strength unto thy holy habitation... 17 Thou shalt bring them in, and plant them in the mountain of thine inheritance, in the place, O Lord, which thou hast made for thee to dwell in, in the Sanctuary, O Lord, which thy hands have

established. 18 The Lord shall reign forever and ever ." And in God's Mind this was not just a natural land where the Israelites wouldn't be slaves anymore – it was much more than that. In this land there would be "The Place" where God would dwell in the midst of His people, and He would demonstrate His relationship with them there. Exodus 25:8, "And let them build me a sanctuary; that I may dwell among them." "The Place" designated by God – not Israel, and there they would worship Him as He desired, and He would rule and reign over them as their God. And we must understand "The Place" would not be in the wilderness, but in "The Land", and that Land was full of blessings for Israel. God's full intention for Israel was not accomplished by just taking them out of Egypt or through the wilderness. He always planned "The Place" for them, and He continually worked to bring them to "The Place", which in the Scriptures was Jerusalem; so that He could bring them into His Kingdom and that they would live continually by His rule. So this Place was central to God's Plan for Israel, and He was very specific in telling them about "The Place" and what they were to do there, and how they were always to honor "The Place".

Now we know that under The Old Covenant everything was set forth as a type and shadow of what God's full thought was for His People. So "The Place" we read of in the Old Testament was speaking of "in Christ" - a phrase we read more than 200 times in the New Testament. This was where God had predestinated and chosen a People to be. This is where He has put all spiritual blessings, where He has a relationship of Oneness with His People, where He now speaks out from, and where He has found His rest and His full satisfaction according to His Eternal Purpose. I encourage you to read this in **Ephesians 1**. And once we can see the significance of "The Place" in God's Mind now being fulfilled by Christ, we can see why even the type and shadow was

so important under The Old Covenant. They were to come to "The Place": God promised to be there for them. And they were to live continually honoring that Place as God's Kingdom and His Rule there. And it is also important to see that "The Place" was not set forth as being in Heaven: it was in the midst of other nations in the earth. This was because God desired that Israel – His People make Him known in the earth. This was all set before the heathen nations and His People were to live in relation to "The Place" God had chosen to make Him known as The True God to others. And "The Place" - Jerusalem with the Temple and that whole system became the focal point of Israel's relationship with their God! So this is very serious.

Consider God's Mind towards "The Place" in **Deuteronomy 12:** 1, "These are the statues and judgments, which ye shall observe to do in the land, which the LORD God of thy fathers giveth thee to possess it, all the days that ye live upon the earth. 2 Ye shall utterly destroy all the places, wherein the nations which ye shall possess served their gods, upon the high mountains, and upon the hills, and under every green tree: 3 And ye shall overthrow their altars, and break their pillars, and burn their groves with fire; and ye shall hew down the graven images of their gods, and destroy the names of them out of that place. 4 Ye shall not do so unto the LORD your God. 5 But unto the place which the LORD your God shall choose out of all your tribes to put his name there, even unto his habitation shall ye seek, and thither thou shalt come: 6 And thither ye shall bring your burnt offerings, and your sacrifices, and your tithes, and heave offerings, of your hand, and your vows, and your freewill offerings, and the firstlings of your herds and of your flocks: 7 And there ye shall eat before the LORD your God, and ye shall rejoice in all that ye put your hand unto, ye and your households, wherein the LORD thy God hath blessed thee ...

10 But when ye go over Jordan, and dwell in the land which the LORD your God giveth you to inherit, and when he giveth you rest from all your enemies round about, so that ye dwell in safety: 11 Then there shall be a place which the LORD your God shall choose to cause his name to dwell there; thither shall ye bring all that I command you; your burnt offerings, and your sacrifices, your tithes, and the heave offering of your hand, and all your choice vows which ye vow unto the Lord: 12 And ye shall rejoice before the LORD your God, ye, and your sons, and your daughters, and your menservants, and your maidservants, and the Levite that is within your gates; forasmuch as he hath no part nor inheritance with you. 13 Take heed to thyself that thou offer not thy burnt offerings in every place that thou seest: 14 But in the place which the LORD shall choose in one of thy tribes, there thou shalt offer thy burnt offerings, and there thou shalt do all that I command thee." Notice they were to destroy all the other places where other gods were worshiped, and that there would be "The Place" God had chosen, and there He would put His Name meaning His Presence, His Honor, His Glory. Only here in "The Place" would they bring their offerings and tithes, and rejoice in The Lord. He even commanded them not to offer sacrifices to Him. in any other place, but exclusively "The Place" He chose, and how He commanded them.

And again I want to point out the seriousness of this to us because if "The Place" is summed up and fulfilled as Christ and in Christ, we can see that God was establishing that His relationship with His People and His rule over them was only in THIS Place – and nowhere else! They were to honor "The Place" because it was by This Place - that God chose and accepted, that He would accept them. And God's understanding of "The Place" remains so today. But today it is NOT in a physical building, but in His Son.

Deuteronomy 16:16, "Three times in a year shall all thy males appear before the LORD thy God in the place which he shall choose; in the feast of unleavened bread, and in the feast of weeks, and in the feast of tabernacles: and they shall not appear before the LORD empty." God would always honor This Place and in order to remain in Covenant Relationship with Jehovah, Israel had to also.

Now we know historically that eventually King David brought all of Israel to Jerusalem in the land, and it was here that God would build His Temple. And this would be done by Solomon his son, but this would be a House for The Name of Jehovah, and this would establish His Throne and Kingdom through the King that God had chosen and anointed. We should remember that early on Israel had demanded a King - Saul: one that they could set before all the nations to look to. (1 Samuel 8 and 9) But God's thought was that He - their Jehovah God would rule Israel and that they would not be like other nations. We know that Saul's rule was disastrous for them because he was of the flesh and could not obey God, so God totally rejected him. But God anointed David as HIS King, and eventually all of Israel came to him. And this is important to this study because we must understand God had His King who would be faithful and obedient to the rule of Jehovah in the midst of His People. It must be His King - One King ruling in One Place – His Place. This was God's view of how He would rule in His People.

And glorious things are spoken about "The Place" at the dedication of The Temple that Solomon built in Jerusalem. This was where Jehovah would dwell: The Place that His glory filled. When everything was made according to God's thought the Ark was brought in and set in its place. The staves were removed designating this was its permanent resting place – in "The Place".

Solomon speaks to God about "This Place", "This House" in 1 Kings 8: 29, "That thine eyes may be open toward this house night and day, even toward the place which thou hast said, My name shall be there; that thou mayest hearken unto the prayer which thy servant shall make toward this place. 30 And hearken thou to the supplication of thy servant, and of thy people Israel, when they shall pray toward this place; and hear thou in heaven thy dwelling place: and when thou hearest, forgive." There are glorious promises given to Israel regarding "This Place". And as evident in the life of Solomon this was a House filled with God's Wisdom, great provision and wealth; and the people prospered and were at rest as long as Solomon honored "The Place" and But this is where we see the The Lord God of Israel. rebelliousness of Israel surfacing: first in the heart of Solomon who loved strange women. And it wasn't just his promiscuity, but his wives turned his heart away from Jehovah to other gods, and he built high places to worship those gods and sacrificed and offered incense to them! 1 Kings 11:1, "But king Solomon loved many strange women, together with the daughter of Pharaoh, women of the Moabites, Ammonites, Edomites, Sidonians, and Hittites; 2 Of the nations concerning which the LORD said unto the children of Israel, Ye shall not go in to them, neither shall they come in unto you: for surely they will turn away your heart after their gods: Solomon clave unto these in love. 3 And he had seven hundred wives, princesses and three hundred concubines: and his wives turned away his heart. 4 For it came to pass, when Solomon was old, that his wives turned away his heart after other gods: and his heart was not perfect with the LORD his God, as was the heart of David his father. 5 For Solomon went after Ashtereth the goddess of the Sidonians, and after Milcom the abomination of the Ammonites. 6 And Solomon did evil in the sight of the LORD, and went not fully after the LORD, as did David his father. 7 Then did Solomon build an high place for Chemosh, the abomination of Moab, in the hill that is before Jerusalem, and for Molech the abomination of the children of Ammon. 8 And likewise did he for all his strange wives, which burnt incense and sacrificed unto their gods."

And this was very serious to God: especially from Solomon because he went against God's thought of "The Place" and he knew better! And so God passes judgment on Solomon. He would rend the kingdom out of Solomon's hand, but He remained faithful to His Covenant with David and Jerusalem: The Place He has chosen. 1 Kings 11: 9, "And the LORD was angry with Solomon, because his heart was turned from the LORD God of Israel, which had appeared unto him twice. 10 And had commanded him concerning this thing, that he should not go after other gods; but he kept not that which the LORD commanded. 11 Wherefore the LORD said unto Solomon, Forasmuch as this is done of thee, and thou hast not kept my covenant and my statutes, which I have commanded thee, I will surely rend the kingdom from thee, and give it to thy servant. 12 Notwithstanding in thy days I will not do it for David thy father's sake: but I will rend it out of the hand of thy son. 13 Howbeit I will not rend away all the kingdom; but will give one tribe to thy son for David my servant's sake, and for Jerusalem's sake which I have chosen." Solomon's disobedience is the root cause of the Kingdom becoming divided, and The Lord began to raise up adversaries against Solomon and Israel. This is not God's Plan for them. God had planned for the House of David to rule in Jerusalem over all Israel, and God would defeat the enemy for His Name's sake.

And it is during this time that Jeroboam, the son of Solomon's servant was chosen to be King over 10 tribes. But Jeroboam was still admonished to do God's Commandments and walk right in God's sight. **1 Kings 11:37**, "And I will take thee (Jeroboam), and

thou shalt reign according to all that thy soul desireth, and shalt be king over Israel. **38** And it shall be, if thou wit hearken unto all that I command thee, and wilt walk in my ways, and do that which is right in my sight, to keep my statutes and my commandments, as David my servant did; that I will be with thee, and build thee a sure house, as I built for David, and will give Israel unto thee. **39** And I will for this afflict the seed of David, but not forever." But rather than Solomon admitting his wrongs and repenting, he sought to kill Jeroboam! **Verse 40**, "Solomon sought therefore to kill Jeroboam. And Jeroboam arose, and fled into Egypt, unto Shishak king of Egypt, and was in Egypt until the death of Solomon."

We see this divisive spirit continuing to work after Solomon died and Rehoboam his son ruled in his stead. This was David's lineage and the King should have been ruled by Jehovah's Wisdom to unite the people, but Rehoboam forsook the counsel of the old men and declared that he would make life more difficult for Israel! We read of this in 1 Kings 12:1 - 15. And because of this ignorance: refusing God's Wisdom and allowing the flesh to rule, 10 tribes rebelled against the House of David: his rule in Jerusalem, in The Place. And they made Jeroboam King over Israel. 1 Kings 12:16, "So when all Israel saw that the king hearkened not unto them, the people answered the king, saying, what portion have we in David? Neither have we inheritance in the son of Jesse: to your tents, O Israel: now see to thine own house, David. So Israel departed unto their tents. 17 But as for the children of Israel which dwelt in the cities of Judah, Rehoboam reigned over them. 18 Then king Rehoboam sent Adoram, who was over the tribute: and all Israel stoned him with stones, that he died. Therefore king Rehoboam made speed to get him up to his chariots to flee to Jerusalem. 19 So Israel rebelled against the house of David unto this day. 20 And it came

to pass, when all Israel heard that Jeroboam was come again, that they sent and called him unto the congregation, and made him king over all Israel; there was none that followed the house of David, but the tribe of Judah only." Remember Jeroboam was not in line to be King according to God's Plan, but he was made King and ruled over 10 tribes (which would be known as "Israel"), while Rehoboam remained in Jerusalem and ruled over two tribes (which would be known as Judah.)

So now The Kingdom was divided. And I just want us to understand that this was totally contrary to the Mind of God. We must appreciate the Oneness of God. His Nature is Oneness, and those who are in Covenant with Him must walk in agreement with Him – as ONE. And His Heart for His People was this Oneness: that they would function as One, and as One with Him. It never was His Mind to have His People divided and function separately: either with each other, and especially separate from Him! The King and "The Place" were to be unifying factors for Israel.

And this is important as we consider the state of Christianity today. There are so many divisions and separations: different doctrines, different names, different heads of different "churches", and this is totally contrary to God's Mind and Heart. And I believe we can see the "root" of this in "The Sins of Jeroboam." But the answer is not for us all to try to get along and have unity services, but that we all – in our hearts return to "The Place" that God prepared for us: in Christ, and under His Rule; that His King over His Kingdom would reign in us.

So let us look at "The Sins of Jeroboam", because he not only was not Jehovah's King, but now that the Kingdom was divided, he built other places! **1 Kings 12:25** "Then Jeroboam built Shechem in mount Ephraim, and dwelt therein; and went out from

thence, and built Penuel." And I hope we can see how dangerous and terrible this was! God had joined His People by "The Place"; requiring them to come only there to worship Him. And He promised to be there for them - in The Place He chose. And this in itself was bad, but look at the motivation of Jeroboam's heart in doing this. 1 Kings 12:26, "And Jeroboam said in his heart, Now shall the kingdom return to the house of David: 27 If this people go up to sacrifice in the house of the LORD at Jerusalem, then shall the heart of this people turn again unto their lord, even unto Rehoboam king of Judah, and they shall kill me, and go again to Rehoboam king of Judah." He knew the people should go to The House of The Lord in Jerusalem, but he knew if they did that the people would become loyal to God's King and his rule there, and kill him! We must see that Jeroboam did what he did NOT for God's sake, but for **himself!** He did it so that he could continue to rule! This is the power of the flesh that demands to rule. The focus is upon self and retaining the rule of flesh. And the flesh will deceive itself and others in order to retain control.

Now Jeroboam said he was doing this for the People. **Verse 28**, "Whereupon the king took counsel, and made two calves of gold, and said unto them, It is too much for you to go up to Jerusalem: behold thy gods, O Israel, which brought thee up out of the land of Egypt.**29** And he set the one in Bethel, and the other put he in Dan." But he was doing it for his own interest. And this caused Israel "to sin." **Verse 30**, "And this thing became a sin; for the people went to worship before the one, even unto Dan." Why? Because God had told them not to make any idols, and they knew what had happened in their history with the Golden calf they made at Mount Sinai.(**Exodus 32**) They knew of the judgment and punishment their forefathers received by worshiping a forbidden idol. Now this was outwardly "religious" and allowed the People to go someplace to worship, but it was not "The Place",

and it was not the worship God required. And in order to retain his position as King over Israel, Jeroboam went further. **Verse 31**, "And he made an house of high places, and made priests of the lowest of the people, which were not of the sons of Levi." He made other high places, and he made Priests who were not the sons of Levi. God had ordained that the Priests were of the Tribe of Levi, sanctified and holy to minister unto Him, but Jeroboam did not honor that. He allowed anybody to be a Priest: putting them all at further risk because the Priest was their access to Jehovah at that time. And I want us to see "he made": this is what Jeroboam did. He never sought Jehovah's guidance or considered what The Law required. He was functioning as King – ruled by SELF, not by The Lord!

And in order to keep them engaged in "religious activities", he ordained a feast similar to the feast that is in Judah, in Jerusalem. **Verse 32**, " And **Jeroboam** ordained a feast in the eighth month, on the fifteenth day of the month, like unto the feast that is in Judah, and he offered upon the altar. So did he in Bethel, sacrificing unto the calves that he had made: and he placed in Bethel the priest of the high places which he had made. 33 So he offered upon the altar which he had made in Bethel the fifteenth day of the eighth month which he had devised in his own heart; and ordained a feast unto the children of Israel: and he offered upon the altar, and burnt incense." Everything that Jeroboam did was "religious" and had an outward show of being obedient to God, but it was all totally **contrary** to God's Plan and Will for His People. And this is all summed up in a phrase in verse 33: "... which he had devised of his own heart..." And again, the motivation of his heart was not for Jehovah and His Glory, but for the fleshly preservation of Jeroboam's rule. And we can see plainly that this was devised to keep God's People from going to the House of The Lord in Jerusalem: in essence keeping them

from their Covenant with Jehovah!

I cannot describe how this has frightened me as I consider what Jeroboam did and why, and the most serious thing was that he caused the people to sin. Now Jerusalem was still there: The Temple was still there, "The Place" was still there for them. Their God was still where He promised to be, but what Jeroboam did caused God's People to substitute other places and other ways – thereby rejecting Him. And many of them were deceived into believing that this was right and acceptable to God, but it was not! Another altar? Idols of gold to worship? Other places? Other Priests? Other feasts? No – God would never accept this! It may have looked okay to the People, but it was "evil in the sight of the Lord." Now God dealt with Jeroboam about this in 1 Kings 13:1-6: God showed His power and displeasure by destroying the altar at Bethel and maiming his hand, but the flesh rule will not easily be denied.

And it is important that we understand that God will always do something to call His People back to Himself when they turn away from "The Place", and try to worship Him according to their own heart. And I stand in awe at God's Mercy in reaching out to Jeroboam and others during this time. This is why we must seriously consider this. 1 Kings 13:33, "After this thing Jeroboam returned NOT from his evil way, but made again of the lowest of the people priests of the high places: whosoever would he consecrated him, and he became one of the priests of the high places. 34 And this thing became sin unto the house of Jeroboam, even to cut it off, and to destroy it from off the face of the earth." And this was not just confined to the man Jeroboam: but this "doing evil in the sight of the Lord" continued in many of the Kings, and is known as "walking in the way of Jeroboam." 1 Kings 15:34, "And he (Baasha) did evil in the sight of the LORD,

and walked in the way of Jeroboam, and in his sin wherewith he made Israel to sin." (see other references at the end of the sharing.) And this is serious because this affected God's people: "... in his sin he made Israel to sin..."

My heart in sharing this with The Lord's Body is not just to give us some interesting Bible facts and stories, but to provoke us and allow the Lord to challenge our hearts. What truly is the motivation of our hearts? And perhaps firstly: who is ruling us? Is it the flesh seeking to rule, or is it submitting to The Lord's rule - His King, His Kingdom ruling us? Or are we making up religious activities that easily become our idols? There are many things that we worship, and feel good about, but are they glorifying and worshiping our God? I really want us to consider that these things that "we devise in our own hearts" are keeping us away from "The Place" that God ordained, and true worship and communion with Him.

There is a "WOE, WOE, WOE" that I have been hearing in my spirit for Pastors and Leaders of God's People. They know what God wants and what He requires – we are to acknowledge Christ as all, and go to Him and find everything in Him. But yet when the people do, they lose their power over the people because they will then only be ruled by God. And so I fear many have "devised in their hearts" places and idols to make it easy and more convenient for the people: so they don't have to go so far to "The Place" to be in Covenant with God. And for me the most terrible thing is not just the "Jeroboams" - his house was destroyed: but this spirit – of the flesh ruling the flesh. This is denying God HIS right to rule, and causes many of God's People to stop short of a full relationship with their God.

So I pray we will prayerfully consider "the Sins of Jeroboam" and ask the Lord to make us sensitive to this fleshly spirit: recognizing

it is evil in the sight of The Lord. What is required, that we see is something that Israel failed to do, is a total taking away ALL the high places, the idols, the priests and feasts that we have devised in our own hearts – for our own purposes. And we must return to "The Place": return to Christ and do ALL according to what The Lord has commanded. When our hearts have submitted everything to Him, we will come under His Rule in all things and God alone will be glorified. This is what God envisioned regarding His People and "The Place" - that we would make Him known in the earth so that all people may come to know HIM as the true and living God.

May the Lord deal in our hearts.

Scripture References for "The Sins of Jeroboam"

- 1 Kings 13:33,34, "After this thing Jeroboam returned not from his evil way, but made again of the lowest of the people priests of the high places: whosoever would, he consecrated him, and he became one of the priests of the high places. And this thing became sin unto the house of Jeroboam, even to cut it off, and to destroy it from off the face of the earth."
- 1 Kings 14:16, "And he shall give Israel up because of the sins of Jeroboam, who did sin, and who made Israel to sin."
- 1 Kings 15:30,34, "Because of the sins of Jeroboam which he sinned, and which he made Israel sin, by his provocation wherewith he provoked the LORD God of Israel to anger... And he did evil in the sight of the LORD, and walked in the way of Jeroboam, and in his sin wherewith he made Israel to sin."

- 1 Kings 16:2,7,19,26,31, "Forasmuch as I exalted thee out of the dust, and made thee prince over my people Israel: and thou hast walked in the way of Jeroboam, and hast made my people Israel to sin, to provoke me to anger with their sins...And also by the hand of the prophet Jehu the son of Hanani came the word of the LORD against Baasha, and against his house, even for all the evil tht he did in the sight of the LORD, in provoking him to anger with the work of his hands, in being like the house of Jeroboam, and because he killed him... For his sins which he sinned in doing evil in the sight of the LORD, in walking in the way of Jeroboam, and in his sins which he did, to make Israel to sin...For he walked in all the way of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, and in his sin wherewith he made Israel to sin, to provoke the LORD God of Israel to anger with their vanities...And it came to pass, as it had been a light thing for him to walk in the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, that he took to wife Jezebel, the daughter of Ethbaal king of Sidonians, and went and served Ball, and worshiped him."
- **1 Kings 21:22,** "And will make thine house like the house of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, and like the house of Baasha the son of Ahijah, for the provocation wherewith thou hast provoked me to anger, and made Israel to sin."
- 1 Kings 22:52, "And he did evil in the sight of the LORD, and walked in the way of his father, and in the way of his mother, and in the way of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel to sin."
- **2 Kings 3:3**, "Nevertheless he cleaved unto the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, which made Israel to sin; he departed not therefrom."

- **2 Kings 10:29,31**, "Howbeit from the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel to sin, Jehu departed not from after them, to wit, the golden calves that were in Bethel, and that were in Dan... But Jehu took no heed to walk in the law of he LORD God of Israel with all his heart: for he departed not from the sins of Jeroboam, which made Israel to sin."
- 2 Kings 13:2,6,11, "And he did that which was evil in the sight of the LORD, and followed the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, which made Israel to sin; he departed not therefrom...Nevertheless they departed not from the sins of the house of Jeroboam, who made Israel to sin, but walked therein: and there remained the grove also in Samaria...And he did that which was evil in the sight of the LORD, he departed not from all the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel sin: but he walked therein."
- **2 Kings 14:24,** "And he did that which was evil in the sight of the LORD: he departed not from all the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel to sin."
- 2 Kings 15:9,18,24,28, "And he did that which was evil in the sight of the LORD, as his fathers had done: he departed not from the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel to sin...and he did that which was evil in the sight of the LORD: he departed not all his days from the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel to sin...And he did that which was evil in the sight of the LORD: he departed not from the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel to sin...And he did that which was evil in the sight of the LORD: he departed not from the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel to sin."

2 Kings 17:22, "For the children of Israel walked in all the sins of Jeroboam which he did; they departed not from them."