



### **Monday: 1 Kings 12:16-24**

1. How do the people respond to king Rehoboam's dictates?
2. This begins the dividing of Israel into two separate kingdoms. Ten tribes claim Jeroboam as their king, while Benjamin and Judah unite under Rehoboam. What does this show about the word of God? (See 1 Kings 11:29- 33)
3. What do you learn about God working in human events?
4. Missionary of the week: Pray for Ron and Debbie Fuqua as they share Christ and help plant churches in Romania with Wycliff Bible Translators.

### **Tuesday: 1 Kings 12:25-33**

1. What was the lie Jeroboam believed in his heart? (See 1 Kings 11:29-33, 37-38)
2. What is the apostasy Jeroboam commits and encourages the people to do? (See also Ex. 20:1-4)
3. What does the author of 1 Kings call these decisions by Jeroboam and the people? (vs. 29-30)
4. Pray for the people in your Oikos or "5 for 5".

### **Wednesday: 1 Kings 13:1-10**

1. How will the LORD pour out his judgment on the altar of apostasy Jeroboam is worshipping at and created?
2. What shows Jeroboam has already forsaken the LORD?
3. Why would it be important for the "man of God" to not fellowship with the king and return a different way than he came?
4. Pray for people where they work and live that they would honor God in all they do.

#### **Thursday: 1 Kings 13:11-34**

1. This whole passage is quite striking. The ESV Study Bible notes explain the reason for the old prophet in Bethel's invitation to the man of God from Judah, is an attempt to "stave off the destruction of Bethel." If so, what does that reveal about the spiritual condition of the town of Bethel and God's strict instruction to the man of God from Judah?
2. What about the lion's behavior shows God is behind what happened to the man from Judah?
3. What was Jeroboam's response to the message brought to him by God, and God's swift action against him? (vs. 33-34)
4. Pray for government leaders both locally and globally.

#### **Friday: 1 Kings 14:1-20**

1. When was Jeroboam prone to seek out the one true God? (vs. 1-3; See also 1 Kings 13:4-6)
2. What is the spiritual lesson, or application, from the judgement God places on Jeroboam's life and kingdom?
3. What is the prophecy given regarding Israel's future in the land and what is the reason for it?
4. Pray for family and friends.

#### **Saturday and Sunday**

Review what you read in 1 Kings this week. Pray for those serving Christ faithfully and pray for the services on Sunday. Pray the prayer of Ephesians 3:13-21.