

who said to him, What said Elisha to thee? And he answered, He told me [that] thou shouldest surely recover. {8:15} And it came to pass on the morrow, that he took a thick cloth, and dipped [it] in water, and spread [it] on his face, so that he died: and Hazael reigned in his stead.

{8:16} And in the fifth year of Joram the son of Ahab king of Israel, Jehoshaphat [being] then king of Judah, Jehoram the son of Jehoshaphat king of Judah began to reign. {8:17} Thirty and two years old was he when he began to reign; and he reigned eight years in Jerusalem. {8:18} And he walked in the way of the kings of Israel, as did the house of Ahab: for the daughter of Ahab was his wife: and he did evil in the sight of the LORD. {8:19} Yet the LORD would not destroy Judah for David his servant's sake, as he promised him to give him alway a light, [and] to his children.

{8:20} In his days Edom revolted from under the hand of Judah, and made a king over themselves. {8:21} So Joram went over to Zair, and all the chariots with him: and he rose by night, and smote the Edomites which compassed him about, and the captains of the chariots: and the people fled into their tents. {8:22} Yet Edom revolted from under the hand of Judah unto this day. Then Libnah revolted at the same time. {8:23} And the rest of the acts of Joram, and all that he did, [are] they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah? {8:24} And Joram slept with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers in the city of David: and Ahaziah his son reigned in his stead.

{8:25} In the twelfth year of Joram the son of Ahab king of Israel did Ahaziah the son of Jehoram king of Judah begin to reign. {8:26} Two and twenty years old [was] Ahaziah when he began to reign; and he reigned one year in Jerusalem. And his mother's name [was] Athaliah, the daughter of Omri king of Israel. {8:27} And he walked in the way of the house of Ahab, and did evil in the sight of the LORD, as [did] the house of Ahab: for he [was] the son in law of the house of Ahab.

{8:28} And he went with Joram the son of Ahab to the war against Hazael king of Syria in Ramoth-gilead; and the Syrians wounded Joram. {8:29} And king Joram went back to be healed in Jezreel of the wounds which the Syrians had given him at Ramah, when he fought against Hazael king of Syria. And Ahaziah the son of Jehoram king of Judah went down to see Joram the son of Ahab in Jezreel, because he was sick.

{9:1} And Elisha the prophet called one of the children of the prophets, and said unto him, Gird up thy loins, and take this box of oil in thine hand, and go to Ramoth-gilead: {9:2} And when thou comest thither, look out there Jehu the son of Jehoshaphat the son of Nimshi, and go in, and make him arise up from among his brethren, and carry him to an inner chamber; {9:3} Then take the box of oil, and pour [it] on his head, and say, Thus saith the LORD, I have anointed thee king over Israel. Then open the door, and flee, and tarry not.

{9:4} So the young man, [even] the young man the prophet, went to Ramoth-gilead. {9:5} And when he came, behold, the captains of the host [were] sitting; and he said, I have an errand to thee, O captain. And Jehu said, Unto which of all us? And he said, To thee, O captain. {9:6} And he arose, and went into the house; and he poured the oil on his head, and said unto him, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, I have anointed thee king over the people of the

LORD, [even] over Israel. {9:7} And thou shalt smite the house of Ahab thy master, that I may avenge the blood of my servants the prophets, and the blood of all the servants of the LORD, at the hand of Jezebel. {9:8} For the whole house of Ahab shall perish: and I will cut off from Ahab him that pisseth against the wall, and him that is shut up and left in Israel: {9:9} And I will make the house of Ahab like the house of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, and like the house of Baasha the son of Ahijah: {9:10} And the dogs shall eat Jezebel in the portion of Jezreel, and [there shall be] none to bury [her.] And he opened the door, and fled.

{9:11} Then Jehu came forth to the servants of his lord: and [one] said unto him, [Is] all well? wherefore came this mad [fellow] to thee? And he said unto them, Ye know the man, and his communication. {9:12} And they said, [It is] false; tell us now. And he said, Thus and thus spake he to me, saying, Thus saith the LORD, I have anointed thee king over Israel. {9:13} Then they hasted, and took every man his garment, and put [it] under him on the top of the stairs, and blew with trumpets, saying, Jehu is king. {9:14} So Jehu the son of Jehoshaphat the son of Nimshi conspired against Joram. (Now Joram had kept Ramoth-gilead, he and all Israel, because of Hazael king of Syria. {9:15} But king Joram was returned to be healed in Jezreel of the wounds which the Syrians had given him, when he fought with Hazael king of Syria.) And Jehu said, If it be your minds, [then] let none go forth [nor] escape out of the city to go to tell [it] in Jezreel. {9:16} So Jehu rode in a chariot, and went to Jezreel; for Joram lay there. And Ahaziah king of Judah was come down to see Joram. {9:17} And there stood a watchman on the tower in Jezreel, and he spied the company of Jehu as he came, and said, I see a company. And Joram said, Take an horseman, and send to meet them, and let him say, [Is it] peace? {9:18} So there went one on horseback to meet him, and said, Thus saith the king, [Is it] peace? And Jehu said, What hast thou to do with peace? turn thee behind me. And the watchman told, saying, The messenger came to them, but he cometh not again. {9:19} Then he sent out a second on horseback, which came to them, and said, Thus saith the king, [Is it] peace? And Jehu answered, What hast thou to do with peace? turn thee behind me. {9:20} And the watchman told, saying, He came even unto them, and cometh not again: and the driving is like the driving of Jehu the son of Nimshi; for he driveth furiously. {9:21} And Joram said, Make ready. And his chariot was made ready. And Joram king of Israel and Ahaziah king of Judah went out, each in his chariot, and they went out against Jehu, and met him in the portion of Naboth the Jezreelite. {9:22} And it came to pass, when Joram saw Jehu, that he said, [Is it] peace, Jehu? And he answered, What peace, so long as the whoredoms of thy mother Jezebel and her witchcrafts [are so] many? {9:23} And Joram turned his hands, and fled, and said to Ahaziah, [There is] treachery, O Ahaziah. {9:24} And Jehu drew a bow with his full strength, and smote Jehoram between his arms, and the arrow went out at his heart, and he sunk down in his chariot. {9:25} Then said [Jehu] to Bidkar his captain, Take up, [and] cast him in the portion of the field of Naboth the Jezreelite: for remember how that, when I and thou rode together after Ahab his father, the LORD laid this burden upon him; {9:26} Surely I have seen yesterday the blood of Naboth, and the blood of his sons, saith the LORD; and I will requite thee in this plat, saith the LORD. Now therefore take [and] cast him into the plat [of ground,] according to the word of the LORD.

{9:27} But when Ahaziah the king of Judah saw [this,] he fled by the way of the garden house. And Jehu followed

after him, and said, Smite him also in the chariot. [And they did so] at the going up to Gur, which [is] by Ibleam. And he fled to Megiddo, and died there. {9:28} And his servants carried him in a chariot to Jerusalem, and buried him in his sepulchre with his fathers in the city of David. {9:29} And in the eleventh year of Joram the son of Ahab began Ahaziah to reign over Judah.

{9:30} And when Jehu was come to Jezreel, Jezebel heard [of it;] and she painted her face, and tired her head, and looked out at a window. {9:31} And as Jehu entered in at the gate, she said, [Had] Zimri peace, who slew his master? {9:32} And he lifted up his face to the window, and said, Who [is] on my side? who? And there looked out to him two [or] three eunuchs. {9:33} And he said, Throw her down. So they threw her down: and [some] of her blood was sprinkled on the wall, and on the horses: and he trode her under foot. {9:34} And when he was come in, he did eat and drink, and said, Go, see now this cursed [woman,] and bury her: for she [is] a king's daughter. {9:35} And they went to bury her: but they found no more of her than the skull, and the feet, and the palms of [her] hands. {9:36} Wherefore they came again, and told him. And he said, This [is] the word of the LORD, which he spake by his servant Elijah the Tishbite, saying, In the portion of Jezreel shall dogs eat the flesh of Jezebel: {9:37} And the carcase of Jezebel shall be as dung upon the face of the field in the portion of Jezreel; [so] that they shall not say, This [is] Jezebel.

{10:1} And Ahab had seventy sons in Samaria. And Jehu wrote letters, and sent to Samaria, unto the rulers of Jezreel, to the elders, and to them that brought up Ahab's [children,] saying, {10:2} Now as soon as this letter cometh to you, seeing your master's sons [are] with you, and [there are] with you chariots and horses, a fenced city also, and armour; {10:3} Look even out the best and meetest of your master's sons, and set [him] on his father's throne, and fight for your master's house. {10:4} But they were exceedingly afraid, and said, Behold, two kings stood not before him: how then shall we stand? {10:5} And he that [was] over the house, and he that [was] over the city, the elders also, and the bringers up [of the children,] sent to Jehu, saying, We are thy servants, and will do all that thou shalt bid us; we will not make any king: do thou [that which is] good in thine eyes. {10:6} Then he wrote a letter the second time to them, saying, If ye [be] mine, and [if] ye will hearken unto my voice, take ye the heads of the men your master's sons, and come to me to Jezreel by to morrow this time. Now the king's sons, [being] seventy persons, [were] with the great men of the city, which brought them up. {10:7} And it came to pass, when the letter came to them, that they took the king's sons, and slew seventy persons, and put their heads in baskets, and sent him [them] to Jezreel.

{10:8} And there came a messenger, and told him, saying, They have brought the heads of the king's sons. And he said, Lay ye them in two heaps at the entering in of the gate until the morning. {10:9} And it came to pass in the morning, that he went out, and stood, and said to all the people, Ye [be] righteous: behold, I conspired against my master, and slew him: but who slew all these? {10:10} Know now that there shall fall unto the earth nothing of the word of the LORD, which the LORD spake concerning the house of Ahab: for the LORD hath done [that] which he spake by his servant Elijah. {10:11} So Jehu slew all that remained of the house of Ahab in Jezreel, and all his great men, and his kinsfolks, and his priests, until he left him none remaining.

{10:12} And he arose and departed, and came to Samaria. [And] as he [was] at the shearing house in the way, {10:13} Jehu met with the brethren of Ahaziah king of Judah, and said, Who [are] ye? And they answered, We [are] the brethren of Ahaziah; and we go down to salute the children of the king and the children of the queen. {10:14} And he said, Take them alive. And they took them alive, and slew them at the pit of the shearing house, [even] two and forty men; neither left he any of them.

{10:15} And when he was departed thence, he lighted on Jehonadab the son of Rechab [coming] to meet him: and he saluted him, and said to him, Is thine heart right, as my heart [is] with thy heart? And Jehonadab answered, It is. If it be, give [me] thine hand. And he gave [him] his hand; and he took him up to him into the chariot. {10:16} And he said, Come with me, and see my zeal for the LORD. So they made him ride in his chariot. {10:17} And when he came to Samaria, he slew all that remained unto Ahab in Samaria, till he had destroyed him, according to the saying of the LORD, which he spake to Elijah.

{10:18} And Jehu gathered all the people together, and said unto them, Ahab served Baal a little; [but] Jehu shall serve him much. {10:19} Now therefore call unto me all the prophets of Baal, all his servants, and all his priests; let none be wanting: for I have a great sacrifice [to do] to Baal; whosoever shall be wanting, he shall not live. But Jehu did [it] in subtilty, to the intent that he might destroy the worshippers of Baal. {10:20} And Jehu said, Proclaim a solemn assembly for Baal. And they proclaimed [it. ] {10:21} And Jehu sent through all Israel: and all the worshippers of Baal came, so that there was not a man left that came not. And they came into the house of Baal; and the house of Baal was full from one end to another. {10:22} And he said unto him that [was] over the vestry, Bring forth vestments for all the worshippers of Baal. And he brought them forth vestments. {10:23} And Jehu went, and Jehonadab the son of Rechab, into the house of Baal, and said unto the worshippers of Baal, Search, and look that there be here with you none of the servants of the LORD, but the worshippers of Baal only. {10:24} And when they went in to offer sacrifices and burnt offerings, Jehu appointed fourscore men without, and said, [If] any of the men whom I have brought into your hands escape, [he that letteth him go,] his life [shall be] for the life of him. {10:25} And it came to pass, as soon as he had made an end of offering the burnt offering, that Jehu said to the guard and to the captains, Go in, [and] slay them; let none come forth. And they smote them with the edge of the sword; and the guard and the captains cast [them] out, and went to the city of the house of Baal. {10:26} And they brought forth the images out of the house of Baal, and burned them. {10:27} And they brake down the image of Baal, and brake down the house of Baal, and made it a draught house unto this day. {10:28} Thus Jehu destroyed Baal out of Israel.

{10:29} 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. {10:30} And the LORD said unto Jehu, Because thou hast done well in executing [that which is] right in mine eyes, [and] hast done unto the house of Ahab according to all that [was] in mine heart, thy children of the fourth [generation] shall sit on the throne of Israel. {10:31} But Jehu took no heed to walk in the law of the LORD God of Israel with all his heart: for he departed not from the sins of Jeroboam, which made Israel to sin.

{10:32} In those days the LORD began to cut Israel short: and Hazael smote them in all the coasts of Israel; {10:33} From Jordan eastward, all the land of Gilead, the Gadites, and the Reubenites, and the Manassites, from Aroer, which is by the river Arnon, even Gilead and Bashan. {10:34} Now the rest of the acts of Jehu, and all that he did, and all his might, [are] they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel? {10:35} And Jehu slept with his fathers: and they buried him in Samaria. And Jehoahaz his son reigned in his stead. {10:36} And the time that Jehu reigned over Israel in Samaria [was] twenty and eight years.

{11:1} And when Athaliah the mother of Ahaziah saw that her son was dead, she arose and destroyed all the seed royal. {11:2} But Jehosheba, the daughter of king Joram, sister of Ahaziah, took Joash the son of Ahaziah and stole him from among the king's sons [which were] slain; and they hid him, [even] him and his nurse, in the bedchamber from Athaliah, so that he was not slain. {11:3} And he was with her hid in the house of the LORD six years. And Athaliah did reign over the land.

{11:4} And the seventh year Jehoiada sent and fetched the rulers over hundreds, with the captains and the guard, and brought them to him into the house of the LORD, and made a covenant with them, and took an oath of them in the house of the LORD, and shewed them the king's son. {11:5} And he commanded them, saying, This is the thing that ye shall do; A third part of you that enter in on the sabbath shall even be keepers of the watch of the king's house; {11:6} And a third part [shall be] at the gate of Sur; and a third part at the gate behind the guard: so shall ye keep the watch of the house, that it be not broken down. {11:7} And two parts of all you that go forth on the sabbath, even they shall keep the watch of the house of the LORD about the king. {11:8} And ye shall compass the king round about, every man with his weapons in his hand: and he that cometh within the ranges, let him be slain: and be ye with the king as he goeth out and as he cometh in. {11:9} And the captains over the hundreds did according to all [things] that Jehoiada the priest commanded: and they took every man his men that were to come in on the sabbath, with them that should go out on the sabbath, and came to Jehoiada the priest. {11:10} And to the captains over hundreds did the priest give king David's spears and shields, that [were] in the temple of the LORD. {11:11} And the guard stood, every man with his weapons in his hand, round about the king, from the right corner of the temple to the left corner of the temple, [along] by the altar and the temple. {11:12} And he brought forth the king's son, and put the crown upon him, and [gave him] the testimony; and they made him king, and anointed him; and they clapped their hands, and said, God save the king.

{11:13} And when Athaliah heard the noise of the guard [and] of the people, she came to the people into the temple of the LORD. {11:14} And when she looked, behold, the king stood by a pillar, as the manner [was,] and the princes and the trumpeters by the king, and all the people of the land rejoiced, and blew with trumpets: and Athaliah rent her clothes, and cried, Treason, Treason. {11:15} But Jehoiada the priest commanded the captains of the hundreds, the officers of the host, and said unto them, Have her forth without the ranges: and him that followeth her kill with the sword. For the priest had said, Let her not be slain in the house of the LORD. {11:16} And they laid hands on her; and she went by the way by the which the horses came into the king's house: and there was she slain.

{11:17} And Jehoiada made a covenant between the LORD and the king and the people that they should be the LORD'S people; between the king also and the people. {11:18} And all the people of the land went into the house of Baal, and brake it down; his altars and his images brake they in pieces thoroughly, and slew Mattan the priest of Baal before the altars. And the priest appointed officers over the house of the LORD. {11:19} And he took the rulers over hundreds, and the captains, and the guard, and all the people of the land; and they brought down the king from the house of the LORD, and came by the way of the gate of the guard to the king's house. And he sat on the throne of the kings. {11:20} And all the people of the land rejoiced, and the city was in quiet: and they slew Athaliah with the sword [beside] the king's house. {11:21} Seven years old [was] Jehoash when he began to reign.

{12:1} In the seventh year of Jehu Jehoash began to reign; and forty years reigned he in Jerusalem. And his mother's name [was] Zibiah of Beer-sheba. {12:2} And Jehoash did [that which was] right in the sight of the LORD all his days wherein Jehoiada the priest instructed him. {12:3} But the high places were not taken away: the people still sacrificed and burnt incense in the high places.

{12:4} And Jehoash said to the priests, All the money of the dedicated things that is brought into the house of the LORD, [even] the money of every one that passeth [the account,] the money that every man is set at, [and] all the money that cometh into any man's heart to bring into the house of the LORD, {12:5} Let the priests take [it] to them, every man of his acquaintance: and let them repair the breaches of the house, wheresoever any breach shall be found. {12:6} But it was [so, that] in the three and twentieth year of king Jehoash the priests had not repaired the breaches of the house. {12:7} Then king Jehoash called for Jehoiada the priest, and the [other] priests, and said unto them, Why repair ye not the breaches of the house? now therefore receive no [more] money of your acquaintance, but deliver it for the breaches of the house. {12:8} And the priests consented to receive no [more] money of the people, neither to repair the breaches of the house. {12:9} But Jehoiada the priest took a chest, and bored a hole in the lid of it, and set it beside the altar, on the right side as one cometh into the house of the LORD: and the priests that kept the door put therein all the money [that was] brought into the house of the LORD. {12:10} And it was [so,] when they saw that [there was] much money in the chest, that the king's scribe and the high priest came up, and they put up in bags, and told the money that was found in the house of the LORD. {12:11} And they gave the money, being told, into the hands of them that did the work, that had the oversight of the house of the LORD: and they laid it out to the carpenters and builders, that wrought upon the house of the LORD, {12:12} And to masons, and hewers of stone, and to buy timber and hewed stone to repair the breaches of the house of the LORD, and for all that was laid out for the house to repair [it. ] {12:13} Howbeit there were not made for the house of the LORD bowls of silver, snuffers, basons, trumpets, any vessels of gold, or vessels of silver, of the money [that was] brought into the house of the LORD: {12:14} But they gave that to the workmen, and repaired therewith the house of the LORD. {12:15} Moreover they reckoned not with the men, into whose hand they delivered the money to be bestowed on workmen: for they dealt faithfully. {12:16} The trespass money and sin money was not brought into the house of the LORD: it was the priests'.

{12:17} Then Hazael king of Syria went up, and fought

against Gath, and took it: and Hazael set his face to go up to Jerusalem. {12:18} And Jehoash king of Judah took all the hallowed things that Jehoshaphat, and Jehoram, and Ahaziah, his fathers, kings of Judah, had dedicated, and his own hallowed things, and all the gold [that was] found in the treasures of the house of the LORD, and in the king's house, and sent [it] to Hazael king of Syria: and he went away from Jerusalem.

{12:19} And the rest of the acts of Joash, and all that he did, [are] they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah? {12:20} And his servants arose, and made a conspiracy, and slew Joash in the house of Millo, which goeth down to Silla. {12:21} For Jozachar the son of Shimeath, and Jehozabad the son of Shomer, his servants, smote him, and he died; and they buried him with his fathers in the city of David: and Amaziah his son reigned in his stead.

{13:1} In the three and twentieth year of Joash the son of Ahaziah king of Judah Jehoahaz the son of Jehu began to reign over Israel in Samaria, [and reigned] seventeen years. {13:2} 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.

{13:3} And the anger of the LORD was kindled against Israel, and he delivered them into the hand of Hazael king of Syria, and into the hand of Ben-hadad the son of Hazael, all [their] days. {13:4} And Jehoahaz besought the LORD, and the LORD hearkened unto him: for he saw the oppression of Israel, because the king of Syria oppressed them. {13:5} (And the LORD gave Israel a saviour, so that they went out from under the hand of the Syrians: and the children of Israel dwelt in their tents, as beforetime. {13:6} Nevertheless they departed not from the sins of the house of Jeroboam, who made Israel sin, [but] walked therein: and there remained the grove also in Samaria.) {13:7} Neither did he leave of the people to Jehoahaz but fifty horsemen, and ten chariots, and ten thousand footmen; for the king of Syria had destroyed them, and had made them like the dust by threshing.

{13:8} Now the rest of the acts of Jehoahaz, and all that he did, and his might, [are] they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel? {13:9} And Jehoahaz slept with his fathers; and they buried him in Samaria: and Joash his son reigned in his stead.

{13:10} In the thirty and seventh year of Joash king of Judah began Jehoash the son of Jehoahaz to reign over Israel in Samaria, [and reigned] sixteen years. {13:11} 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. {13:12} And the rest of the acts of Joash, and all that he did, and his might wherewith he fought against Amaziah king of Judah, [are] they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel? {13:13} And Joash slept with his fathers; and Jeroboam sat upon his throne: and Joash was buried in Samaria with the kings of Israel.

{13:14} Now Elisha was fallen sick of his sickness whereof he died. And Joash the king of Israel came down unto him, and wept over his face, and said, O my father, my father, the chariot of Israel, and the horsemen thereof. {13:15} And Elisha said unto him, Take bow and arrows. And he took unto him bow and arrows. {13:16} And he said to the king of Israel, Put thine hand upon the bow. And he

put his hand [upon it:] and Elisha put his hands upon the king's hands. {13:17} And he said, Open the window eastward. And he opened [it.] Then Elisha said, Shoot. And he shot. And he said, The arrow of the LORD'S deliverance, and the arrow of deliverance from Syria: for thou shalt smite the Syrians in Aphek, till thou have consumed [them. ] {13:18} And he said, Take the arrows. And he took [them.] And he said unto the king of Israel, Smite upon the ground. And he smote thrice, and stayed. {13:19} And the man of God was wroth with him, and said, Thou shouldest have smitten five or six times; then hadst thou smitten Syria till thou hadst consumed [it:] whereas now thou shalt smite Syria [but] thrice.

{13:20} And Elisha died, and they buried him. And the bands of the Moabites invaded the land at the coming in of the year. {13:21} And it came to pass, as they were burying a man, that, behold, they spied a band [of men:] and they cast the man into the sepulchre of Elisha: and when the man was let down, and touched the bones of Elisha, he revived, and stood up on his feet.

{13:22} But Hazael king of Syria oppressed Israel all the days of Jehoahaz. {13:23} And the LORD was gracious unto them, and had compassion on them, and had respect unto them, because of his covenant with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, and would not destroy them, neither cast he them from his presence as yet. {13:24} So Hazael king of Syria died; and Ben-hadad his son reigned in his stead. {13:25} And Jehoash the son of Jehoahaz took again out of the hand of Ben-hadad the son of Hazael the cities, which he had taken out of the hand of Jehoahaz his father by war. Three times did Joash beat him, and recovered the cities of Israel.

{14:1} In the second year of Joash son of Jehoahaz king of Israel reigned Amaziah the son of Joash king of Judah. {14:2} He was twenty and five years old when he began to reign, and reigned twenty and nine years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name [was] Jehoaddan of Jerusalem. {14:3} And he did [that which was] right in the sight of the LORD, yet not like David his father: he did according to all things as Joash his father did. {14:4} Howbeit the high places were not taken away: as yet the people did sacrifice and burnt incense on the high places.

{14:5} And it came to pass, as soon as the kingdom was confirmed in his hand, that he slew his servants which had slain the king his father. {14:6} But the children of the murderers he slew not: according unto that which is written in the book of the law of Moses, wherein the LORD commanded, saying, The fathers shall not be put to death for the children, nor the children be put to death for the fathers; but every man shall be put to death for his own sin. {14:7} He slew of Edom in the valley of salt ten thousand, and took Selah by war, and called the name of it Joktheel unto this day.

{14:8} Then Amaziah sent messengers to Jehoash, the son of Jehoahaz son of Jehu, king of Israel, saying, Come, let us look one another in the face. {14:9} And Jehoash the king of Israel sent to Amaziah king of Judah, saying, The thistle that [was] in Lebanon sent to the cedar that [was] in Lebanon, saying, Give thy daughter to my son to wife: and there passed by a wild beast that [was] in Lebanon, and trode down the thistle. {14:10} Thou hast indeed smitten Edom, and thine heart hath lifted thee up: glory [of this,] and tarry at home: for why shouldest thou meddle to [thy] hurt, that thou shouldest fall, [even] thou, and Judah with thee? {14:11} But Amaziah would not hear. Therefore

Jehoash king of Israel went up; and he and Amaziah king of Judah looked one another in the face at Beth-shemesh, which [belongeth] to Judah. {14:12} And Judah was put to the worse before Israel; and they fled every man to their tents. {14:13} And Jehoash king of Israel took Amaziah king of Judah, the son of Jehoash the son of Ahaziah, at Beth-shemesh, and came to Jerusalem, and brake down the wall of Jerusalem from the gate of Ephraim unto the corner gate, four hundred cubits. {14:14} And he took all the gold and silver, and all the vessels that were found in the house of the LORD, and in the treasures of the king's house, and hostages, and returned to Samaria.

{14:15} Now the rest of the acts of Jehoash which he did, and his might, and how he fought with Amaziah king of Judah, [are] they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel? {14:16} And Jehoash slept with his fathers, and was buried in Samaria with the kings of Israel; and Jeroboam his son reigned in his stead.

{14:17} And Amaziah the son of Joash king of Judah lived after the death of Jehoash son of Jehoahaz king of Israel fifteen years. {14:18} And the rest of the acts of Amaziah, [are] they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah? {14:19} Now they made a conspiracy against him in Jerusalem: and he fled to Lachish; but they sent after him to Lachish, and slew him there. {14:20} And they brought him on horses: and he was buried at Jerusalem with his fathers in the city of David.

{14:21} And all the people of Judah took Azariah, which [was] sixteen years old, and made him king instead of his father Amaziah. {14:22} He built Elath, and restored it to Judah, after that the king slept with his fathers.

{14:23} In the fifteenth year of Amaziah the son of Joash king of Judah Jeroboam the son of Joash king of Israel began to reign in Samaria, [and reigned] forty and one years. {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. {14:25} He restored the coast of Israel from the entering of Hamath unto the sea of the plain, according to the word of the LORD God of Israel, which he spake by the hand of his servant Jonah, the son of Amittai, the prophet, which [was] of Gath-hepher. {14:26} For the LORD saw the affliction of Israel, [that it was] very bitter: for [there was] not any shut up, nor any left, nor any helper for Israel. {14:27} And the LORD said not that he would blot out the name of Israel from under heaven: but he saved them by the hand of Jeroboam the son of Joash.

{14:28} Now the rest of the acts of Jeroboam, and all that he did, and his might, how he warred, and how he recovered Damascus, and Hamath, [which belonged] to Judah, for Israel, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel? {14:29} And Jeroboam slept with his fathers, [even] with the kings of Israel; and Zachariah his son reigned in his stead.

{15:1} In the twenty and seventh year of Jeroboam king of Israel began Azariah son of Amaziah king of Judah to reign. {15:2} Sixteen years old was he when he began to reign, and he reigned two and fifty years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name [was] Jecholiah of Jerusalem. {15:3} And he did [that which was] right in the sight of the LORD, according to all that his father Amaziah had done; {15:4} Save that the high places were not removed: the people sacrificed and burnt incense still on the high places.

{15:5} And the LORD smote the king, so that he was a leper unto the day of his death, and dwelt in a several house. And Jotham the king's son [was] over the house, judging the people of the land. {15:6} And the rest of the acts of Azariah, and all that he did, [are] they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah? {15:7} So Azariah slept with his fathers; and they buried him with his fathers in the city of David: and Jotham his son reigned in his stead.

{15:8} In the thirty and eighth year of Azariah king of Judah did Zachariah the son of Jeroboam reign over Israel in Samaria six months. {15:9} 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. {15:10} And Shallum the son of Jabesh conspired against him, and smote him before the people, and slew him, and reigned in his stead. {15:11} And the rest of the acts of Zachariah, behold, they [are] written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel. {15:12} This [was] the word of the LORD which he spake unto Jehu, saying, Thy sons shall sit on the throne of Israel unto the fourth [generation.] And so it came to pass.

{15:13} Shallum the son of Jabesh began to reign in the nine and thirtieth year of Uzziah king of Judah; and he reigned a full month in Samaria. {15:14} For Menahem the son of Gadi went up from Tirzah, and came to Samaria, and smote Shallum the son of Jabesh in Samaria, and slew him, and reigned in his stead. {15:15} And the rest of the acts of Shallum, and his conspiracy which he made, behold, they [are] written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel.

{15:16} Then Menahem smote Tiphshah, and all that [were] therein, and the coasts thereof from Tirzah: because they opened not [to him,] therefore he smote [it; and] all the women therein that were with child he ripped up. {15:17} In the nine and thirtieth year of Azariah king of Judah began Menahem the son of Gadi to reign over Israel, [and reigned] ten years in Samaria. {15:18} 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. {15:19} [And] Pul the king of Assyria came against the land: and Menahem gave Pul a thousand talents of silver, that his hand might be with him to confirm the kingdom in his hand. {15:20} And Menahem exacted the money of Israel, [even] of all the mighty men of wealth, of each man fifty shekels of silver, to give to the king of Assyria. So the king of Assyria turned back, and stayed not there in the land.

{15:21} And the rest of the acts of Menahem, and all that he did, [are] they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel? {15:22} And Menahem slept with his fathers; and Pekahiah his son reigned in his stead.

{15:23} In the fiftieth year of Azariah king of Judah Pekahiah the son of Menahem began to reign over Israel in Samaria, [and reigned] two years. {15:24} 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. {15:25} But Pekah the son of Remaliah, a captain of his, conspired against him, and smote him in Samaria, in the palace of the king's house, with Argob and Arieah, and with him fifty men of the Gileadites: and he killed him, and reigned in his room. {15:26} And the rest of the acts of Pekahiah, and all that he did, behold, they [are] written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel.

{15:27} In the two and fiftieth year of Azariah king of Judah Pekah the son of Remaliah began to reign over Israel in Samaria, [and reigned] twenty years. {15:28} 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. {15:29} In the days of Pekah king of Israel came Tiglath-pileser king of Assyria, and took Ijon, and Abel-beth-maachah, and Janoah, and Kedesh, and Hazor, and Gilead, and Galilee, all the land of Naphtali, and carried them captive to Assyria. {15:30} And Hoshea the son of Elah made a conspiracy against Pekah the son of Remaliah, and smote him, and slew him, and reigned in his stead, in the twentieth year of Jotham the son of Uzziah. {15:31} And the rest of the acts of Pekah, and all that he did, behold, they [are] written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel.

{15:32} In the second year of Pekah the son of Remaliah king of Israel began Jotham the son of Uzziah king of Judah to reign. {15:33} Five and twenty years old was he when he began to reign, and he reigned sixteen years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name [was] Jerusha, the daughter of Zadok. {15:34} And he did [that which was] right in the sight of the LORD: he did according to all that his father Uzziah had done.

{15:35} Howbeit the high places were not removed: the people sacrificed and burned incense still in the high places. He built the higher gate of the house of the LORD.

{15:36} Now the rest of the acts of Jotham, and all that he did, [are] they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah? {15:37} In those days the LORD began to send against Judah Rezin the king of Syria, and Pekah the son of Remaliah. {15:38} And Jotham slept with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers in the city of David his father: and Ahaz his son reigned in his stead.

{16:1} In the seventeenth year of Pekah the son of Remaliah Ahaz the son of Jotham king of Judah began to reign. {16:2} Twenty years old [was] Ahaz when he began to reign, and reigned sixteen years in Jerusalem, and did not [that which was] right in the sight of the LORD his God, like David his father. {16:3} But he walked in the way of the kings of Israel, yea, and made his son to pass through the fire, according to the abominations of the heathen, whom the LORD cast out from before the children of Israel. {16:4} And he sacrificed and burnt incense in the high places, and on the hills, and under every green tree.

{16:5} Then Rezin king of Syria and Pekah son of Remaliah king of Israel came up to Jerusalem to war: and they besieged Ahaz, but could not overcome [him. ] {16:6} At that time Rezin king of Syria recovered Elath to Syria, and drave the Jews from Elath: and the Syrians came to Elath, and dwelt there unto this day. {16:7} So Ahaz sent messengers to Tiglath-pileser king of Assyria, saying, I [am] thy servant and thy son: come up, and save me out of the hand of the king of Syria, and out of the hand of the king of Israel, which rise up against me. {16:8} And Ahaz took the silver and gold that was found in the house of the LORD, and in the treasures of the king's house, and sent [it for] a present to the king of Assyria. {16:9} And the king of Assyria hearkened unto him: for the king of Assyria went up against Damascus, and took it, and carried [the people of] it captive to Kir, and slew Rezin.

{16:10} And king Ahaz went to Damascus to meet Tiglath-pileser king of Assyria, and saw an 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. {16:11} And Urijah the priest built an altar according to all that king Ahaz had sent from Damascus: so Urijah the priest made [it] against king Ahaz came from Damascus. {16:12} And when the king was come from Damascus, the king saw the altar: and the king approached to the altar, and offered thereon. {16:13} and he burnt his burnt offering and his meat offering, and poured his drink offering, and sprinkled the blood of his peace offerings, upon the altar. {16:14} And he brought also the brasen altar, which [was] before the LORD, from the forefront of the house, from between the altar and the house of the LORD, and put it on the north side of the altar. {16:15} And king Ahaz commanded Urijah the priest, saying, Upon the great altar burn the morning burnt offering, and the evening meat offering, and the king's burnt sacrifice, and his meat offering, with the burnt offering of all the people of the land, and their meat offering, and their drink offerings; and sprinkle upon it all the blood of the burnt offering, and all the blood of the sacrifice: and the brasen altar shall be for me to enquire [by. ] {16:16} Thus did Urijah the priest, according to all that king Ahaz commanded.

{16:17} And king Ahaz cut off the borders of the bases, and removed the laver from off them; and took down the sea from off the brasen oxen that [were] under it, and put it upon a pavement of stones. {16:18} And the covert for the sabbath that they had built in the house, and the king's entry without, turned he from the house of the LORD for the king of Assyria.

{16:19} Now the rest of the acts of Ahaz which he did, [are] they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah? {16:20} And Ahaz slept with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers in the city of David: and Hezekiah his son reigned in his stead.

{17:1} In the twelfth year of Ahaz king of Judah began Hoshea the son of Elah to reign in Samaria over Israel nine years. {17:2} And he did [that which was] evil in the sight of the LORD, but not as the kings of Israel that were before him.

{17:3} Against him came up Shalmaneser king of Assyria; and Hoshea became his servant, and gave him presents. {17:4} And the king of Assyria found conspiracy in Hoshea: for he had sent messengers to So king of Egypt, and brought no present to the king of Assyria, as [he had done] year by year: therefore the king of Assyria shut him up, and bound him in prison.

{17:5} Then the king of Assyria came up throughout all the land, and went up to Samaria, and besieged it three years.

{17:6} In the ninth year of Hoshea the king of Assyria took Samaria, and carried Israel away into Assyria, and placed them in Halah and in Habor [by] the river of Gozan, and in the cities of the Medes. {17:7} For [so] it was, that the children of Israel had sinned against the LORD their God, which had brought them up out of the land of Egypt, from under the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt, and had feared other gods, {17:8} And walked in the statutes of the heathen, whom the LORD cast out from before the children of Israel, and of the kings of Israel, which they had made. {17:9} And the children of Israel did secretly [those] things that [were] not right against the LORD their God, and they