

RIGHT OF SELF DETERMINATION

This writing is will attempt to shine some light upon the ideals developed in Estate, which goes to Trust and Trust Boundary and the idea of King. Furthermore this writing will rely heavily upon the Scriptures as codified in the King James Version. However, the writer cautions the Reader, the KJV is just a version of Scripture and therefore one is cautioned to not trust this man or any other man but to go and check behind this author to see if the ideas propounded upon herein are indeed sound. As always, in the end, the Reader must take full liability for himself. Therefore Trust God not man. Enough said. Let's get crackin.

Prior to beginning any discussion let the Reader carefully study the following passages found in the Book of the Kings: [notice that the words in italics have been added and are not in the manuscripts]

1Ki 12:1 And Rehoboam went to Shechem: for all Israel were come to Shechem to make him king.

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1Ki 12:3 That they sent and called him. And Jeroboam and all the congregation of Israel came, and spake unto Rehoboam, saying,

1Ki 12:4 Thy father made our yoke grievous: now therefore make thou the grievous service of thy father, and his heavy yoke which he put upon us, lighter, and we will serve thee.

1Ki 12:5 And he said unto them, Depart yet *for* three days, then come again to me. And the people departed.

1Ki 12:6 And king Rehoboam consulted with the old men, that stood before Solomon his father while he yet lived, and said, How do ye advise that I may answer this people?

1Ki 12:7 And they spake unto him, saying, If thou wilt be a servant unto this people this day, and wilt serve them, and answer them, and speak good words to them, then they will be thy servants for ever.

1Ki 12:8 But he forsook the counsel of the old men, which they had given him, and consulted with the young men that were grown up with him, *and* which stood before him:

1Ki 12:9 And he said unto them, What counsel give ye that we may answer this people, who have spoken to me, saying, Make the yoke which thy father did put upon us lighter?

1Ki 12:10 And the young men that were grown up with him spake unto him, saying, Thus shalt thou speak unto this people that spake unto thee, saying, Thy father made our yoke

heavy, but make thou *it* lighter unto us; thus shalt thou say unto them, My little *finger* shall be thicker than my father's loins.

1Ki 12:11 And now whereas my father did lade you with a heavy yoke, I will add to your yoke: my father hath chastised you with whips, but I will chastise you with scorpions.

1Ki 12:12 So Jeroboam and all the people came to Rehoboam the third day, as the king had appointed, saying, Come to me again the third day.

1Ki 12:13 And the king answered the people roughly, and forsook the old men's counsel that they gave him;

1Ki 12:14 And spake to them after the counsel of the young men, saying, My father made your yoke heavy, and I will add to your yoke: my father *also* chastised you with whips, but I will chastise you with scorpions.

1Ki 12:15 Wherefore the king hearkened not unto the people; for the cause was from the LORD, that he might perform his saying, which the LORD spake by Ahijah the Shilonite unto Jeroboam the son of Nebat.

1Ki 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.

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1Ki 12:20 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.

1Ki 12:21 And when Rehoboam was come to Jerusalem, he assembled all the house of Judah, with the tribe of Benjamin, an hundred and fourscore thousand chosen men, which were warriors, to fight against the house of Israel, to bring the kingdom again to Rehoboam the son of Solomon.

1Ki 12:22 But the word of God came unto Shemaiah the man of God, saying,

1Ki 12:23 Speak unto Rehoboam, the son of Solomon, king of Judah, and unto all the house of Judah and Benjamin, and to the remnant of the people, saying,

1Ki 12:24 Thus saith the LORD, Ye shall not go up, nor fight against your brethren the children of Israel: return every man to his house; for this thing is from me. They hearkened

therefore to the word of the LORD, and returned to depart, according to the word of the LORD.

1Ki 12:25 Then Jeroboam built Shechem in mount Ephraim, and dwelt therein; and went out from thence, and built Peniel.

1Ki 12:26 And Jeroboam said in his heart, Now shall the kingdom return to the house of David:

1Ki 12:27 If this people go up to do 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.

1Ki 12:28 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.

1Ki 12:29 And he set the one in Bethel, and the other put he in Dan.

1Ki 12:30 And this thing became a sin: for the people went *to worship* before the one, *even* unto Dan.

1Ki 12:31 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.

1Ki 12:32 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 priests of the high places which he had made.

1Ki 12:33 So he offered upon the altar which he had made in Bethel the fifteenth day of the eighth month, *even* in the month which he had devised of his own heart; and ordained a feast unto the children of Israel: and he offered upon the altar, and burnt incense.

Now with special care, the following is offered in terms of elaborating upon the foregoing text. I recognize the foregoing to be the Word of God and therefore I take extreme care in the following presentation. But let's analyze the text verse for verse.

1Ki 12:1 And Rehoboam went to Shechem: for all Israel were come to Shechem to make him king.

Commentary: Rehoboam was the son of Solomon and Solomon was the son of David. Not understand that at 1st Samuel 8, we see that Samuel was a Judge [Ruler] in Israel, basically the last Judge, in reference to the Book of Judges. The people in Israel which at that time included Judah so for ease of

reference when you see me reference Jacob, I am referencing all twelve tribes and the ½ tribes of Ephraim and Manasseh. If I reference Judah, I mean the “house of Judah” which was mostly comprised of Judah, Benjamin and Levi. If I reference Israel, I mean the “house of Israel” which was mostly comprised of those tribes NOT of the house of Judah. Back to 1st Samuel 8.

See that all of Jacob was asking Samuel for a king “like all the other nations.” See at that time, Jacob was a Theocracy. Jacob was asking Samuel to plead before Yehovah in request for a Monarchy. Samuel was quite upset as he thought the nation was rejecting him; but Yehovah said it is not you Samuel that they reject it is me. Therefore, in fairness and equity, Yehovah told Samuel go and tell the people what their man-king will be like. And then let them make their choice.

First point: **See that Yehovah gave the people the free will choice to choose their own determination.**

The people choose a man-king. And they got one in Saul. Now notice that David succeeds Saul and unites both the house of Israel and the house of Judah into one Kingdom. And then Solomon was the son of David that inherited this kingdom. Now then prior to Solomon’s death Solomon is told that his kingdom will be split and that Jeroboam will be the king in Israel. Solomon sought to kill Jeroboam and Jeroboam fled into Egypt for his life. Pharaoh gave him asylum – **along with plenty of false religion.**

Now, then whilst Jeroboam is safely in Egypt securing the alliance that Egypt once held with Solomon under a united kingdom, said alliance being Egypt, Jacob, Tyre/Sidon, Solomon died and Rehoboam, his son was the Heir to the Kingdom.

Now then verse one picks up with Rehoboam going to Shechem in effort to secure the kingdom to keep both houses, Israel and Judah, united under his headship.

1Ki 12:2 And it came to pass, when Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who was yet in Egypt, heard *of it*, (for he was fled from the presence of king Solomon, and Jeroboam dwelt in Egypt;)

Commentary: Jeroboam knew now that Solomon was dead. By the way Egypt was riding the coat tails of Solomon in the Golden Age of Israel/Judah. As was Tyre/Sidon. Therefore it was in the best

interest of Egypt to keep an alliance with such a people. And they had at this time one in Jeroboam who was destined to be king in Israel.

1Ki 12:3 That they sent and called him. And Jeroboam and all the congregation of Israel came, and spake unto Rehoboam, saying,

Commentary: Jeroboam has been summoned by king Rehoboam. But notice Jeroboam is essentially here a Representative for the house of Israel. Notice the “congregation of Israel” came. I suppose this body of leaders to be some sort of representative body on behalf of the whole is Israel. Sort of like a Senate or some other such body.

1Ki 12:4 Thy father made our yoke grievous: now therefore make thou the grievous service of thy father, and his heavy yoke which he put upon us, lighter, and we will serve thee.

Commentary: Jeroboam speaks to Rehoboam. Now this is an extraordinary event. Because Rehoboam is king and said king is granting standing for a subject to speak before him and his court. Nevertheless, Jeroboam speaks, of Solomon and the Yoke of all of Solomon’s building projects which not only taxed them in tribute but also in physical labor. But Jeroboam makes a righteous offer that if Rehoboam will not Tax the people so heavily, then Israel will continue to serve UNDER Rehoboam. In other words, Israel will recognize Rehoboam’s claim to the throne and Israel will continue to be united with Judah in ONE kingdom.

Second Point: **A kingdom needs a king.**

Now one who serves a king is one who UNDERTAKES for the kingdom. And that one is a Trustee.

1Ki 12:5 And he said unto them, Depart yet *for* three days, then come again to me. And the people departed.

Commentary: Rehoboam addresses the Delegation saying I have heard your PETITION for Rehoboam, in this author’s mind, believes that Jeroboam and the congregation have come before his throne in Request. For not one in this bunch is with a Title or an existing Agreement with the Throne to allow such a demand. Therefore, Rehoboam sees this as beneath him, being an offer to him, really a request upon him, and therefore the Requestor is a Suppliant.

1Ki 12:6 And king Rehoboam consulted with the old men, that stood before Solomon his father while he yet lived, and said, How do ye advise that I may answer this people?

Commentary: Now comprehend that Rehoboam is a young man, so he seeks council from perhaps the priestly class [perhaps the Magi] – we cannot know exactly who he sought council from save to say he was indeed wise to seek council. For Rehoboam, while he was young, realized that the house of Israel was HUGE in numbers of people. Notice he consulted the OLD MEN. One grey or white on the head should be full of knowledge.

1Ki 12:7 And they spake unto him, saying, If thou wilt be a servant unto this people this day, and wilt serve them, and answer them, and speak good words to them, then they will be thy servants for ever.

Commentary: The OLD MEN give great advise to this proud Monarch. They say H U M B L E thyself, O king. For the greatest in the kingdom is the servant. If you will be of service to these people they will appreciate your humility and serve you. Now a king is a “Titular Head” in any kingdom. All titles and estates flow from the king within the kingdom. Therefore, the people in service to the kingdom, as trustee, serve the king.

Third Point: **The king and his dominion is the kingdom.**

1Ki 12:8 But he forsook the counsel of the old men, which they had given him, and consulted with the young men that were grown up with him, *and* which stood before him:

Commentary: Rehoboam forsook this wise counsel and took the advice of young fools. So what is new under the sun?

1Ki 12:9 And he said unto them, What counsel give ye that we may answer this people, who have spoken to me, saying, Make the yoke which thy father did put upon us lighter?

Commentary: You can already see that Rehoboam is actually considering their proposal and now asks, how do you suppose we pull this thing off? Rehoboam has visions of grandeur. Maybe that he could be greater than his daddy Solomon. Notice nowhere does Rehoboam consult Yehovah, the Elohim of Abraham, Issac and Jacob. Instead Rehoboam, in pride, goes to these “young lions” for a plan.

How do you suppose we can RIP EM OFF and get them to sign off on the deal?

1Ki 12:10 And the young men that were grown up with him spake unto him, saying, Thus shalt thou speak unto this people that spake unto thee, saying, Thy father made our yoke heavy, but make thou *it* lighter unto us; thus shalt thou say unto them, My little *finger* shall be thicker than my father's loins.

Commentary: Now you talk about False Pride and Ego. Look at the Vulgarity of this Statement. My pinkie finger is larger than my father's member? Meaning if you think you got screwed under my father, you ain't seen nothing yet. These young lions go directly to F E A R. So what has changed under the sun?

1Ki 12:11 And now whereas my father did lade you with a heavy yoke, I will add to your yoke: my father hath chastised you with whips, but I will chastise you with scorpions.

Commentary: I can hear the discussion around the supper table. "I think we should just so as he said, because he is the king, and he has control of the army and if we don't comply he may just decide to end us" – At least we can eat those good onions and garlic and cucumber [remember their groaning to Moses just fresh out of Egypt]. Rehoboam sounds a lot like Pharaoh. When Moses came to him, Pharaoh said hey you got all this free time to complain, how about I just double your work load. Looks like the young lions of Rehoboam are already envisioning the glory of their kingdom. Look around you today and you think times have changed? It is all the same it is just the names are different.

1Ki 12:12 So Jeroboam and all the people came to Rehoboam the third day, as the king had appointed, saying, Come to me again the third day.

Commentary: Rehoboam said give me THREE days to deliberate. I bet you thought the THREE day Right of Acceptance/Refusal came from somewhere else. Surprise! Here it is and Jeroboam and the congregation have come for their answer. What will Rehoboam do? Will he follow after WISE counsel or will he take FOOLISH counsel. [Elevation Proverbs: Wise woman and foolish woman]

1Ki 12:13 And the king answered the people roughly, and forsook the old men's counsel that they gave him;

Commentary: Well go figure. Pride goeth before a fall.

1Ki 12:14 And spake to them after the counsel of the young men, saying, My father made your yoke heavy, and I will add to your yoke: my father *also* chastised you with whips, but I will chastise you with scorpions.

Commentary: Rehoboam sees this great people are beneath him. His pride has blinded him for the king is only as good as those who will undertake for the kingdom. Said another way “A rock star is Nothing without fans.” While he may be king of his kingdom, if the people have no trust in him, he won’t be king for long.

1Ki 12:15 Wherefore the king hearkened not unto the people; for the cause was from the LORD, that he might perform his saying, which the LORD spake by Ahijah the Shilonite unto Jeroboam the son of Nebat.

Commentary: Rehoboam’s heart was either proudful or hardened. For notice the “cause was from Yehovah”. Remember the prophecy from Yehovah that caused Solomon to want to kill Jeroboam? That just shows you have far and quick Solomon fell – for he, Solomon, thought to overturn a prophecy of Yehovah. Not going to happen.

1Ki 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.

Commentary: Now then Jeroboam and the Delegates have returned to the house of Israel, up North and delivered the tidings from king Rehoboam. Now see trust law and heirs. Notice that the house of Israel realizes that king Rehoboam is the rightful king by heir over the kingdom. And that there is not one in the house of Israel that has the rightful succession to the throne in heir, in inheritance. They, Israel know the Law – the Scepter will not depart from Judah. By the way that is a very deep study for if you track the so called “lost tribes” you will find that one in Judah ruled over them and that is so even to this day! Yehovah’s Word will not be brought to vanity.

Therefore the people say “what portion do we have in David”? Very good, they comprehend! Lets check out David’s Lineage. I’ll bet he is of Judah!

Luk 3:30 Which was *the son* of Simeon, which was *the son* of Juda, which was *the son* of Joseph, which was *the son* of Jonan, which was *the son* of Eliakim,

Luk 3:31 Which was *the son* of Melea, which was *the son* of Menan, which was *the son* of Mattatha, **which was *the son* of Nathan, which was *the son* of David,**

Luk 3:32 Which was *the son* of Jesse, which was *the son* of Obed, which was *the son* of Booz, which was *the son* of Salmon, which was *the son* of Naasson,

Luk 3:33 Which was *the son* of Aminadab, which was *the son* of Aram, which was *the son* of Esrom, which was *the son* of Phares, which **was *the son* of Juda,**

Luk 3:34 Which was *the son* of Jacob, which was *the son* of Isaac, which was *the son* of Abraham, which was *the son* of Thara, which was *the son* of Nachor,

Names of significant importance to Israel in terms of its later kings [hint look at Carthage, Parthia] Phares. See that Phares is a Son of Judah. Notice that Israel has no inheritance in David for David is of the house of Judah.

Quote “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.”

These in Israel know they have no heir in Jesse, see that Jesse is David’s father. They comprehend Trust Law, Estates and who is the heir and who has the claim. Rehoboam has the claim and Rehoboam is the rightful king. But look now at the RIGHT OF SELF DETERMINATION.

Israel says, in effect, let Judah govern itself for we now separate ourselves from David son of Judah. Let David tend to his OWN house. This is the split. The single stick is broken into two sticks. Israel says to Judah, you can have your king and your kingdom. We are leaving to pursue OUR own affairs. But there is a problem, Israel is now looking to setup a new kingdom, but they lack a king! Remember a kingdom must have a king!

Now pay attention, I ask the rhetorical question, **“Did Israel pack up and leave, migrate to another land? Or did they return to their Own tents?”** Remember they were paying tribute to Solomon and Rehoboam now what?

1Ki 12:17 But *as for* the children of Israel which dwelt in the cities of Judah, Rehoboam reigned over them.

Commentary: Not all of Israel left the cities of Judah. Notice here that cities of Judah are possession of Judah and said cities fall within the Estate held within the kingdom of Judah, held mediately or immediately in king Rehoboam. The king and his kingdom. Therefore those taking benefits within said possessions or kingdom of Judah were required to perform under the bylaws that governed the house of Judah. Therefore there was choice – Self Determination. You can stay and remain under the Yoke of Judah or you can choose to leave – create your own thing – **stop engaging the house of Judah for rights, titles, benefits and privileges.** But if one in Israel remained by choice to be Resident to the city in the house of Judah that one was Subject to the house of Judah.

So stop and think. What is new under the sun? Can you not see the Trust Structure? If not yet, keep reading.

1Ki 12:18 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 chariot, to flee to Jerusalem.

Commentary: Now this is kind of sad and funny at the same time. Imagine you are Adoram. You got to be thinking is this king Rehoboam a nut? He wants me to go to Israel, a great and large people, in population, and demand that they now pay tribute? After what king Rehoboam told them?

Israel made it painfully clear. Consider that Rehoboam is still within Shechem and surrounded by Israel. King Rehoboam now realizes that Israel has left the plantation. He is no longer king over Israel and the ONLY way he can enforce his Title and Right as king is by War. Which he is not about to declare for he is greatly outnumbered. So Rehoboam hauls donkey back to the Capital of Judah – JerUSAlem.

1Ki 12:19 So Israel rebelled against the house of David unto this day.

Commentary: We see that Israel is in total rebellion to their own Covenant. They have broken their Word to God. For dear reader remember 1st Samuel 8? Yehovah told them, thru Samuel – “Are you sure you want a man king? – because here is what he is going to do to you” and when their man king performed EXACTLY as Yehovah said he would, they moved quickly to pursue their OWN interests and broke their Covenant to God.

They created their OWN new Government and Society – which for Israel was both Political and Religious. For Israel’s IDENTITY was IN Yehovah. End of Story. **Nations did not fear Israel they feared Israel’s God!**

1Ki 12:20 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.

Commentary: And here is the NEW KINGDOM. One made in a broken promise. But nevertheless one made in SELF DETERMINATION to exercise one’s own will to create something new.

Therefore Israel made Jeroboam THEIR king. Now then pay very careful attention to the last part of verse 20: Quoting: “there was none that followed the house of David, but the tribe of Judah only.”

Meaning, Israel COMPLETELY broke away from following God’s Word – their Charter Government and Religion. For under God’s Word, each in Jacob was to go to the Temple in JerUSAlem at Passover, Feast of Weeks, Feast of Tabernacles and the proper Administration of God’s Law and Order was made by the Levites. And therefore no Levite worth his weight in salt would be caught dead in Israel. And so the Levites packed their bags and headed South. Israel is in Total Idolatry. And it is no wonder, for their new king is buddy buddy with the Mystery Religions being fresh out of Egypt.

1Ki 12:21 And when Rehoboam was come to Jerusalem, he assembled all the house of Judah, with the tribe of Benjamin, an hundred and fourscore thousand chosen men, which were warriors, to fight against the house of Israel, to bring the kingdom again to Rehoboam the son of Solomon.

Commentary: Rehoboam is now safe in his Capital City and he intends to enforce his claim and right as king – being that he is by inheritance the rightful heir. See now that the men of the house of Judah are willing to fight for their kingdom and for their king. Is not one who fights for a kingdom performing a service for the benefit of others? Society?

Rehoboam recognizes that in fact these in the house of Israel have made now a new thing. And Rehoboam wants what is by divine right his. For it was Yehovah that granted Jacob a man-king. Therefore the Grant was made to a Family – Judah.

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1Ki 12:23 Speak unto Rehoboam, the son of Solomon, king of Judah, and unto all the house of Judah and Benjamin, and to the remnant of the people, saying,

1Ki 12:24 Thus saith the LORD, Ye shall not go up, nor fight against your brethren the children of Israel: return every man to his house; for this thing is from me. They hearkened therefore to the word of the LORD, and returned to depart, according to the word of the LORD.

Commentary: Rehoboam is king over Judah and was king over Israel by divine right. And therefore he is king ONLY by the Act of Yehovah – By the Grant of Yehovah. Yehovah is the Settlor/Grantor. Therefore if Yehovah says don’t go to war against the house of Israel, Rehoboam had best listen. Or

he may even lose his own kingdom. To be blunt Rehoboam sits as king per the Grant of Yehovah. Therefore Yehovah can remove him at ANY time. For Yehovah is Sovereign, as Creator/Trustor/Settlor.

1Ki 12:25 Then Jeroboam built Shechem in mount Ephraim, and dwelt therein; and went out from thence, and built Penuel.

Commentary: Jeroboam has been made king and he is about doing what a king does.

1Ki 12:26 And Jeroboam said in his heart, Now shall the kingdom return to the house of David:

Commentary: This verse is better rendered the following is possibly the manner that Israel might return to the house of Judah. Therefore here is Jeroboam found plotting how to keep Israel from returning to the house of Judah. For he knows he must completely divorce Israel from their Identity to Yehovah else the people are going to want to trek down to JerUSAlem to the Temple for the Feast days of Yehovah.

1Ki 12:27 If this people go up to do 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.

Commentary: Jeroboam knows that if the people of Israel is allowed to trek to JerUSAlem they will probably see the error of their decision and he is a goner. For they, the house of Israel, would then rid themselves of their new kingdom and return Under Rehoboam in agreement with their previous Covenant with Yehovah [1st Sam 8].

1Ki 12:28 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.

Commentary: Enter the Mystery Religions Jeroboam learned about in Egypt. By the way, I think too that Jeroboam setup these calves of gold to show Pharaoh that there is a new wind and that Israel is aligning itself with Pharaoh – an Alliance.

And now we see complete abandonment of both the Political and Religious foundation of Jacob – in verse 28 – Quoting “behold thy gods, O Israel, which brought thee up out of the land of Egypt.”

Remind you of Aaron – and the golden calf. See don't read over "Whereupon THE KING TOOK COUNSEL".....he knew exactly what he was doing!

1Ki 12:29 And he set the one in Bethel, and the other put he in Dan.

Commentary: This is a new Religion. Actually not new at all. The Mystery Religion has been around since Cain and his daddy, Satan – but that is another topic. Look see the Agent of Satan – setting up this abomination in Bethel [bethel means house of god]. I suppose it is proper for they are now worshipping Satan and not Yehovah.

Furthermore, the other house of vanity was placed in Dan. And do we find that Dan rose up and said "Not on my watch?" Not at all. Remember the house of Micah and the FALSE PROPHET the Levite? Ole Dan thought to take everything and setup the house of Dan. This is in no way or shape even close to the Identity Jacob had in Yehovah.

1Ki 12:30 And this thing became a sin: for the people went *to worship* before the one, *even* unto Dan.

Commentary: This verse really says the people basically chose to go to either Bethel or Dan – probably as it is today, to the house of worship that was most convenient – you know, the one down their on the corner today! But don't read over this too quickly. Did the people revolt against Jeroboam and say "Jerry, there ain't no way in hell we are going to worship some image! Have you lost your mind?" Oh no, they went along to get along. And in doing so they completely divorced themselves from Yehovah and the True Walk with Yehovah in The Way.

The People chose to make their new king, and their new king, made them NEW GODS. How many of you celebrated the Birth of Yehoshuah on December 25? Would it surprise you that Scripture shows clearly that Yehoshuah was BORN on the first day of the Feast of Tabernacles? That would be in the Hebrew calendar the 15th day of the seventh month. Which on that year was on or about September 29th. Where on earth did you get the idea that Yehoshuah was born on December 25?

1Ki 12:31 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.

Commentary: A house of high places is the ancient grooves where they coupled sexual acts in their worship of their false gods. It did not take Jerry too long did it? He learned fast in those Mystery Schools. And look at who Jerry ORDAINED as priest. Don't read over that last one too quickly. Jerry ORDAINED the priests in his kingdom. Who ORDAINED your priest? Consider. And notice said priests of Jerry were of the basest of men! For no Levi was to be found. They hauled donkey and headed south FAST.

I ask you reader, have you read yet where Israel has migrated to their new land? If you have please point it out to me. Consider, they are now with a new kingdom, a new king and a new Estate both politically and religiously. Israel is not taking or receiving ANYTHING from the house of Judah. While they have not relocated, Israel is now a Stranger to Judah.

1Ki 12:32 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 priests of the high places which he had made.

Commentary: Well Jerry has his own Priests, heck he Ordained them. Remember that the priests unto Jacob were Ordained by Yehovah – House of Levi – and the High Priest was selected ONLY by Yehovah! But this new State has its own Sovereign and that Sovereign is exercising his Will. So if he has his own priest, he is going to need his own holy days. Now therefore this year the seventh month 15th day was on or about October 12th - because the 15th day is going to be a FULL MOON. And notice that was the SEVENTH month. What month comes after October, isn't it November? Would that not be in the EIGHTH month? What is one of the feast days in November? Is it not Thanksgiving? Is that day not venerated by the people on these lands?

Shoot you should have seen the looks I got for working on Thanksgiving. Why that's the day we all gather to give thanks to God, right? W R O N G! But it looks so good, ole Jerry just pushed it back a month but kept it on the fifteenth day so they would have the full moon. Why Jerry even had an alter erected to worship S A T A N, I mean

S A N T A. For their Santa is omniscient and omnipotent – knows all and can do all sorts of powerful works.

Jerry made the priest, Jerry made the altar, Jerry made the golden calves BUT the house of Israel accepted and gave attendance to the services!

1Ki 12:33 So he offered upon the altar which he had made in Bethel the fifteenth day of the eighth month, *even* in the month which he had devised of his own heart; and ordained a feast unto the children of Israel: and he offered upon the altar, and burnt incense.

Commentary: And he put these abominations in Bethel. Which Jerry, the king, exercising the Right of Self Determination in and for the house of Israel – made this abomination and the house of Israel – accepted their new king and new gods.

Now Therefore, the house of Israel did not move. They just threw off their existing government and replaced it with something new.

Psa 2:2 The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, **against the LORD, and against his anointed**, *saying*,

Psa 2:3 Let us break their bands asunder, and cast away their cords from us.

Commentary: This is what Jerry did.

Psa 2:12 Kiss the Son, lest he be angry, and ye perish *from* the way, when his wrath is kindled but a little. **Blessed *are* all they that put their trust in him.**

The people were just as guilty as their king. They accepted it! Do you just roll over and accept what is put before you today? Do you say, somebody should do something about that? Do you in apathy say, it does not affect me? Where is your trust? Today just as in that day, you have Choice – Self Determination.

Act 5:29 Then Peter and the *other* apostles answered and said, **We ought to obey God rather than men.**

Yehovah be Praised, forever and ever.

Shalom,

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