

# A KINGDOM DIVIDED; THE ROAD TO DESTRUCTION

1 King 11:1-12:24

Key Verse: 11:9, 10

**“The Lord became angry with Solomon because his heart had turned away from the Lord, the God of Israel, who had appeared to him twice. Although he had forbidden Solomon to follow other gods, Solomon did not keep the Lord’s command.”**

## Study Questions

1. Why did Solomon’s heart turn away from God? (11:1-4) When his heart turned away from God, what kind of a person did he become? (11:5-8; Ro 1:21-23)
2. Why was God’s anger with Solomon compounded? (11:9a) How had God worked to show his love? (11:9b; 3:5; 9:2,3) Because of Solomon’s attitude and disobedience, what did God decide to do? What favor did he show Solomon? What did God promise to do for David’s sake? (11:10-13)
3. Who were the enemies God raised up against Solomon? Why? (11:14-26) Who Jeroboam? What was God’s special direction for Him? (11:26-40) What did God want from Jeroboam? (11:37,38)
4. Who succeeded Solomon? (11:41-12:1) What did Jeroboam and the whole assembly of Israel request of Rehoboam? (12:2-5) How did Rehoboam respond to them? (6-14) Why did he answer in this way? (15)
5. What had happened in Israel? (16-20) What was Rehoboam’s plan? (21) How did God stop him? (12:22-24) Think about the fundamental and direct causes of the nation’s division.