

1 Kings 22:41-53 **Jehoshaphat king of Judah – Ahaziah king of Israel**

Jehoshaphat Reigns in Judah [1 Kings 22:41-50, 2 Chronicles 20:31 - - 21:1]

41 Jehoshaphat the son of Asa had become king over Judah in the fourth year of Ahab king of Israel.

42 Jehoshaphat was thirty-five years old when he became king, and he reigned twenty-five years in Jerusalem. His mother's name was Azubah the daughter of Shilhi.

43 And he walked in all the ways of his father Asa. He did not turn aside from them, doing what was right in the eyes of the Lord.

Nevertheless the high places were not taken away, for the people offered sacrifices and burned incense on the high places. 44 Also Jehoshaphat made peace with the king of Israel.

45 Now the rest of the acts of Jehoshaphat, the might that he showed, and how he made war, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?

46 And the rest of the perverted persons, who remained in the days of his father Asa, he banished from the land.

47 There was then no king in Edom, only a deputy of the king.

48 Jehoshaphat made merchant ships to go to Ophir for gold; but they never sailed, for the ships were wrecked at Ezion Geber. 49 Then Ahaziah the son of Ahab said to Jehoshaphat, "Let my servants go with your servants in the ships." But Jehoshaphat would not.

50 And Jehoshaphat rested with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers in the City of David his father. Then Jehoram his son reigned in his place.

Ahaziah Reigns in Israel [1 Kings 22:51-53]

51 Ahaziah the son of Ahab became king over Israel in Samaria in the seventeenth year of Jehoshaphat king of Judah, and reigned two years over Israel.

52 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 had made Israel sin; 53 for he served Baal and worshiped him, and provoked the Lord God of Israel to anger, according to all that his father had done.

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Facts Revealed:

Jehoshaphat King of Judah summary [1 Kings 22:41-50, 2 Chronicles 20:31 - - 21:1]

- ✧ Ahab was king of Israel reigning from Samaria 22 years beginning at age 38 . [1 Kings 16:29]
- ✧ Jehoshaphat became king of Judah the 4th year of Ahab's reign. [1 Kings 22:41]
- ✧ Jehoshaphat reigned from Jerusalem 25 years beginning at age 35. [1 Kings 22:42]
- ✧ Jehoshaphat did what was right in the eyes of the Lord just as his father Asa had done. [1 Kings 22:43]
- ✧ The people continued to offer sacrifices and burn incense on the high places. [1 Kings 22:43]
- ✧ Jehoshaphat made peace with the wicked king of Israel. [1 Kings 22:44]
- ✧ Jehoshaphat banished the perverted persons from the land who remained in the days of his father Asa. [1 Kings 22:46]
- ✧ Jehoshaphat made ships like the ships of Tarshish to go to Ophir for gold, but they were wrecked at Ezion Geber and never sailed. [1 Kings 22:48-49]

- ✧ Solomon built ships at Ezion Geber that sailed to Ophir and brought back 420 talents of gold. [1 Kings 9:26-28]
- ✧ It appears that Jehoshaphat was attempting to follow Solomon's example, but his plan failed because of his alliance with Ahaziah king of Israel, and Yahweh (the Lord) wrecked the ships at the place where they were made, according to the words of Eliezer the prophet. [2 Chronicles 20:35-37]
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