2 Kings 14:23-29 **Jeroboam II Reigns in Israel**

- 23 In the fifteenth year of Amaziah the son of Joash, king of Judah, Jeroboam the son of Joash, king of Israel, became king in Samaria, and reigned forty-one years.
- 24 And he did evil in the sight of the Lord; he did not depart from all the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who had made Israel sin.
- 25 He restored the territory of Israel from the entrance of Hamath to the Sea of the Arabah, according to the word of the Lord God of Israel, which He had spoken through His servant Jonah the son of Amittai, the prophet who was from Gath Hepher. 26 For the Lord saw that the affliction of Israel was very bitter; and whether bond or free, there was no helper for Israel. 27 And the Lord did not say 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.
- 28 Now the rest of the acts of Jeroboam, and all that he did his might, how he made war, and how he recaptured for Israel, from Damascus and Hamath, what had belonged to Judah are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?
- ²⁹ So Jeroboam rested with his fathers, the kings of Israel. Then Zechariah his son reigned in his place.

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Facts Revealed:

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 And he did evil in the sight of the Lord; he did not depart from all the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who had made Israel sin. [2 Kings 14:23-24]
 - ♦ The Kings of Israel were never able to depart from the sins of the first Jeroboam, the
 golden calves at Dan and Bethel and their own appointed priests from among the common
 people. [1 Kings 12:25-33, 13:33-34]
- → Yahweh saw the bitter affliction of Israel, and He had not said He would blot out the name of Israel from under heaven, so He saved them by the hand of Jeroboam and restored the territory of Israel from Hamath to the Sea of Arabah, as He had promised by the Prophet Jonah. [2 Kings 14:25-27]
 - ♦ Yahweh is a merciful God Who cares about the affliction of His people Israel who are being punished for their unfaithfulness. God heard their cry because of the oppression just as in the days of the Judges, and He sent deliverance.
 - ♦ The area restored to Israel was the area from the lower region south of Mount Herman to the north end of the Dead Sea.
- ♦ Now the rest of the acts of Jeroboam, and all that he did his might, how he made war, and how he recaptured for Israel, from Damascus and Hamath, what had belonged to Judah are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel? [2 Kings 14:28]