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#### Commentary of Specific Points on the Timeline (this Column 5)

### ---- <sup>1</sup>THE TWO NATIONS OF ISRAEL – About 904 B.C. to About 827 B.C. ----

Ahaziah the son of Ahab began to reign in Samaria/ Northern Israel in the seventh  $(7^{th})$  year of Jehoshaphat, King of Judah, and he reigned two (2) years:

(34, 35, 36) – And Ahaziah did evil in the sight of the LORD and walked in the ways of his father (*Ahab*), and in the ways of his mother (*Jezabel*), and in the ways of Jeroboam the first (*Ist*), son of Nebat, who made Israel to sin: for he served Baal, and worshipped him, and provoked the anger of the LORD God of Israel, according to all that his father had done. Ahaziah died of injuries from a fall, and Jehoram son of Jehoshaphat, king of Judah reigned in his place because Ahaziah had no sons (*I Kings 22:51 through 2 Kings Chapter 1*). Thus, the son of Jehoshaphat, "Jehoram" is King of Samaria and Jehoshaphat is King in Judah/ Jerusalem; all of Israel is under the rule of one family at the same time.

### It seems, although Jehoram was the son of King Jehoshaphat of Judah, he (Jehoram) reigned in Samaria/ Northern Israel after Ahaziah, son of Ahab:

(35, 36, 37, 37.1) - And it also appears he reigned there in Samaria under the name of "Joram" for five (5) years. Then he began to reign in Judah eight (8) years in the place of Jehoshaphat, his father. It appears that Ahab was his father-in-law, which explains why he is also referred to as the son of Ahab (2 Kings 3:1 through 3, 2 Kings 8:16 through 24). The final determination about Jehoram according to our study of scripture is that he was the son of Jehoshaphat. He married the daughter of Ahab, and reigned in Samaria under the name of Joram, son of Ahab. And later he reigned in Judah after his biological father Jehoshaphat. He did evil after Ahab, Jezebel, and Jeroboam; worshipping idols and Baal (The question must be considered whether this family may have been also guilty of incest?).

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. In the twelfth (12<sup>th</sup>) year of Joram the son of Ahab king of Israel did Ahaziah the son of Jehoram king of Judah begin to reign. Two and twenty (22) years old was Ahaziah when he began to reign; and he reigned one (1) year in Jerusalem. And his mother's name was Athaliah, the daughter of Omri King of Israel (2 Kings 8:24 through 26):

(38, 39, 40) – And he (Ahaziah) 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.

**Jehu** - The question must be considered whether these families were also guilty of incest? Is this the tipping point for the prophet Elijah sending one of his fellow prophets to privately anoint Jehu king of all Israel? After he was anointed, Jehu assassinated the king

of Samaria (Joram/ Jehoram), the king of Judah (Ahaziah), Jezebel; the widow of Ahab, and many Baal worshippers. Then he reigned in Northern Israel/ Samaria twenty eight (28) years. But he departed not from the sins and idolatry of Jeroboam I, which made Israel to sin (2 Kings Chapter 9 and 10).

(39) - And when Althaliah the mother of Ahaziah saw that her son was dead, she arose and destroyed all the seed royal. 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 (*Grandmother to Joash*), so that he was not slain. And he was with her (*his nurse?*) hid in the house (*Temple*) of the LORD six (6) years. And Athaliah did reign over the land (*in Judah seven* (7) years) (2 Kings 11:1 through 3):

It is obvious this woman, Althaliah the mother of Ahaziah, was a very evil person. She had members (*heirs*) of her son's family (*her grandchildren*) killed in order to secure the throne of Judah for herself.

The priest Jehoiada, in Judah, protected and kept the infant son (Joash) of Ahaizah safe from his grandmother, Althaliah, for seven (7) years. Then Jehoiada revealed the child's existence to all the rulers over hundreds with the captains and the guards, and brought them to him into the house/ Temple of the LORD, and made a covenant with them, and took an oath of them in the Temple and showed them the king's son (Josiah) (2 Kings 11:4 through 16).

And Jehoiada, the priest, made a covenant between the LORD and the king (Joash/ Jehoash) and the people, that they should be the LORD's people; between the king also and the people. And all the people of the land went into the house of Baal, and brake it down; his alters and his images brake they in pieces thoroughly, and slew Mattan the priest of Baal before the alters. And Jehoiada, the priest of the LORD God appointed officers over the house of the LORD, in Jerusalem. And Jehoiada, the priest of the LORD God took the rulers over hundreds, and the captains, and the guards, and all the people of the land; and they brought down the king (Joash/ Jehoash) from the temple of the LORD, and came by the way of the gate of the guard to the king's house. And Joash/ Jehoash, at seven (7) years old, sat on the throne of the kings. And all the people of the land rejoiced, and the city was quiet, and they slew Althaliah with the sword beside the king's house. Seven (7) years old was Joash/ Jehoash when he began to reign (2 Kings 11:17 through 21):

(39.1, 39.2) – In the seventh (7) year of Jehu (of Northern Israel) Joash/ Jehoash began to reign; and forty (40) years reigned he in Jerusalem. And Jehoash did right in the sight of the LORD all his days wherein Jehoiada the priest instructed him. But the high places were not taken away: the people still sacrificed and burnt incense in the high places (2 Kings Chapter 12).

After Jehu reigned twenty eight (28) years in Samaria/ Northern Israel, his son Jehoahaz reign after him seventeen (17) years:

(41) – In the twenty third (23<sup>rd</sup>) 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 (17) years. 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. 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 (2 Kings 13:1 through 9).

## And Jehoahaz slept with his fathers; and they buried him in Samaria: and Joash his son reigned in his stead (2 Kings 13:10 through 25):

(41.1) – In the thirty seventh (37th) year of Joash/ Jehoash King of Judah (son of Ahaziah) began Jehoash/ Joash the son of Jehoahaz to reign over Israel in Samaria, and reigned sixteen (16) years; which was the fourteenth (14th) year of the reign of Amaziah King of Judah. And Jehoahaz/ Joash King of Samaria 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: but he walked therein. After Joash/ Jehoash king of Judah was killed as described in 2 Kings 12:19 through 21, his son Amaziah reigned in Judah; and Jehoash/ Joash king of Samaria fought against Amaziah according to 2 Kings 14:1 through 16.

Commentary of Specific Points on the Timeline Continues ...

#### ---- THE TWO NATIONS OF ISRAEL - About 827 B.C. to 790 B.C. ----

It was about this time that Elisha was fallen sick of his sickness (old age?) whereof he died. And Joash/ Jehoash 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. Elisha instructed/ encouraged King Jehoash in Samaria's war against Syria. Elisha died, and they buried him. And the bands of the Moabites invaded the land at the coming in of the year. 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 (2 Kings 13:14 through 25).

# (42, 43, 43.1, 43.2) – The forty (40) year reign of Joash/ Jehoash in Judah come to an end, and his son Amaziah reign twenty nine (29) years in his place:

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 (*Temple*) of the LORD, and in the kings house, and sent it to Hazael king of Syria: and he (*Hazael*) went away from Jerusalem (or did not invade Jerusalem). 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. And his servants arose, and made a conspiracy, and slew Joash in the house of Millo (not thought to be associated with idol worship), which goeth down to Silla. For Jozachar the son of Shimeath, and Jehozachar 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 (2 Kings 12:18 through 21). In the second (2<sup>nd</sup>) year of Joash son of Jehoahaz King of Israel (Samaria) reigned Amaziah the son of Joash king of Judah. He was twenty and five (25) years old when he began to reign, and reigned twenty and nine (29) years in Jerusalem. 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. Howbeit the high places were not taken away: as yet the people did sacrifice and burnt incense on the high places (2 Kings 14:11 through 14; 2 Kings 14:17 through 22).

### (44, 44.1) - After the reign of Jehoash/ Joash in Samaria (refer to 41.1), Jeroboam II his son ruled after him (2 Kings 14:15 and 16):

In the fifteenth (15<sup>th</sup>) year of Amaziah the son of Joash King of Judah, Jeroboam II the son of Joash/ Jehoash king of Israel began to reign in Samaria, and reigned forty and one (41) years. And he did that which was evil in the sight of the LORD: he departed not from all the sins of Jeroboam (1<sup>st</sup>) the son of Nebat, who made Israel to sin (2 Kings 14:23 through 29). The prophet Amos prophesied during the reign of this King (Amos 7:10 through 17).

## And all the people of Judah took Azariah/ Uzziah, which was sixteen (16) years old, and made him king in the place of his father Amaziah (refer to 42, 43, 43.1 and 43.2):

(45, 45.1, 45.2) – In the twenty and seventh (27th) year of Jeroboam II king of Israel/ Samaria began Azariah/ Uzziah son of Amaziah king of Judah to reign. And he did that which was right in the sight of the LORD, according to all that his father Amaziah had done. Save that the high places were not removed: the people sacrificed and burnt incense still on the high places. And the LORD smote the king (Azariah/ Uzziah), so that he was a leper unto the day of his death, and dwelt in several house. And the rest of the acts of Azariah/ Uzziah, and all that he did, are they not written in the book of the Chronicles of the kings of Judah? It is my estimation that within the first fourteen (15) years of this king's reign the prophecy of Isaiah began; and his prophecy continued through the reign of Hezekiah. The reign of Jeroboam II in Samaria/ Israel ended the fourteenth (14th) year of the reign of Azariah/ Uzziah, King of Judah. And it seems there was no ruler in Samaria after Jeroboam II for the next 24 years (2 Chronicles 26, 2 Kings 14:21 and 22, 2 Kings 15:1 through 7, 2 Kings 14:28 and 29).

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The Kings of Judah in the Southern Kingdom of Israel were allowed of the LORD God to reign from the eternal throne of David; but not all conducted themselves and their ruler ship in the manner that was approved of the LORD God!

And none of the kings of Samaria; the Northern Kingdom of Israel returned to the LORD God from worshipping false gods and idols!

### Recall the message God gave David by the prophet Nathan in 2 Samuel Chapter 7:

Moreover I will appoint a place for my people Israel, and will plant them, that they may dwell in a place of their own, and move no more; neither shall the children of wickedness afflict them any more, as beforetime,

And as since the time that I commanded judges to be over my people Israel, and have caused thee to rest from all thine enemies. Also the LORD telleth thee that he will make thee (*David*) an house.

And when thy days be fulfilled, and thou shalt sleep with thy fathers, I will set up thy seed after thee, which shall proceed out of thy bowels, and I will establish his (*David and his seed's*) kingdom.

He (David and his seed) shall build an house for my name, and I will stablish the throne of his kingdom for ever (or throughout eternity?).

I will be his father, and he shall be my son. If he commit iniquity, I will chasten him with the rod of men, and with the stripes of the children of men:

But my mercy shall not depart away from him, as I took it from Saul, whom I put away before thee.

Omri; 933 to 921 BC

And thine house and thy kingdom shall be established for ever before thee: thy throne shall be established for ever (Refer to, "Thy Throne Forever" in the "Definitions & Figures") section.

According to all these words, and according to all this vision (and prophecy!), so did Nathan speak unto David.

2 Samuel 7:10 through 7:17

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Timeline of 1 and 2 Kings –

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Ahab; 926 to 904 BC
The LORD God Called Elijah to his Ministry of Prophet (1 Kings Chapter 17)
The LORD God Commissioned Elijah to Anoint Elisha to his Ministry of Prophet (1 Kings 19:19)
*Jehoshaphat; 922 to 897 BC
                                      Joram\
                                     Ahaziah; 905 to 903 BC
Elijah is taken up to heaven while other prophets look on (2 Kings 2:11)
                                      Joram\
                                     Jehoram; 904 B.C to 892 BC
Jehoram\ Joram; 899 to 891 BC (Married daughter of Ahab; and also ruled for a time in Samaria as "Joram\ Jehoram" above!)
Other references also speak of several of these kings as born from, and\ or being involved with incestuous relationships?
                      ===Book of 2 Kings ===
                              Jehu; 891 BC to 863 BC
Ahaziah; 892 to 891 BC
                                             JONAH: Prophesy Was About 880 to 810 BC
Althaliah; 891 to 884 BC
*Joash\ Jehoash; 884 to 844 BC (Joash is believed to have also reigned for a time in Samaria as Joash\ Jehoahaz?)
The ministry of the prophet Elisha is accomplished (1 Kings 13:14 through 13:20)
                                     Jehoahaz 861 BC to 846 BC
                                     Joash\
                                     Jehoahaz 846 BC to 830 BC?
                                     (1 Kings 14:1 and 14:2)
*Amaziah 844 to 815 BC
                                     Jeroboam II; 830 to 789 BC
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Note: \* = Purposed to put false gods and idol worship away and walk after the LORD God of Israel; the God of Creation!

Related dates are approximations.