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PART 64: THE KINGS OF JUDAH (Jehoahaz, Jehoiakim, Jehoiachin)

EVALUATION

After the death of Josiah, the Godhead paused the virtual time run to assess the situation. They realized that the teaching of the Kabbalah was deeply rooted in Judah. A few good kings had tried to destroy it and return the people of Judah back to the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, but Lucifer had taken over the educational system in Judah and indoctrinated the children in his hell gospel.

The Godhead looked to the prophet Jeremiah, and even though he was one of the strongest prophets in history, Lucifer's false prophets were passionately resisting, appealing to the sinful nature of mankind.

Jehoahaz had been raised in the teaching of the Kabbalah despite his father's godly inclinations and he would plunge Judah into idolatry again.

As they examined the different nations around Judah, Egypt was steeped in idolatry. To the north was the waning Assyrian Empire that the prophet Jonah had been sent with the message of repentance. To the east was the budding Babylonian Empire, flexing its muscles against Assyria and Egypt.

The Godhead decided they would use Babylon to chastise Judah and be the instrument of destruction for Assyria and Egypt. Their plan for the twelve tribes operating as a kingdom was not working out because humanity was exercising their free will to choose the sinful nature. The Israelites did not take God's warning seriously about losing the Promised Land. **Deuteronomy 28:58-68**

The people of Judah would receive one more chance, then they would be taken captive and the southern kingdom would cease to exist, never to return again. The Godhead would preserve a remnant of Judah and Benjamin in order for Jesus to have some of Abraham's descendants to work with in the future when He would come to redeem the human race.

KING JEHOAHAZ

Jehoahaz was 23 years old when he became king. There is no doubt that he knew that his father loved God. Josiah had cleaned out idolatry in Judah and even extended the purge into the northern kingdom. But the moment Jehoahaz became king, he reversed his father's policies and restored the Kabbalistic teaching in Judah. **2 Kings 23:31-32**

God used the Egyptians to punish Jehoahaz as their army came to Jerusalem and dethroned him. He was chained and taken to Egypt where he died. Jehoahaz's reign as king only lasted 3 months. **verse 33**



KING JEHOIAKIM

Pharaoh levied a tax on Judah of 100 talents of silver and one talent of gold. That would be the equivalent of 38.4 million dollars.

Eliakim, the brother of Jehoahaz, was installed as a vassal king over Judah. He changed his name to Jehoiakim, which in Hebrew means “avenging.” **2 Kings 23:34**

Jehoiakim did not have the necessary silver and gold for the yearly tribute and he became a hard taskmaster, sending out his collectors to gather the silver and gold from the people in Judah. **verse 35**

THE PROPHET JEREMIAH

Jehoiakim was a Kabbalist who was determined to serve Lucifer by sinning to the maximum extent. Early in his reign, God told the prophet Jeremiah to stand at the court of the temple and present a heavenly message of destruction to the people and the leadership. **Jeremiah 26:1-7**

The prophecy did not set well with the priests, other prophets, and the common people. They wanted Jeremiah put to death. **verses 8-9**

Jeremiah’s words were passed on to the political leaders in Jerusalem and they agreed that Jeremiah should be put to death for treason. **verses 10-11**

Jeremiah refused to back down as he stood bound in front of the leadership. He told them that he had only spoken what God had instructed him to speak. **verses 12-15**

When the princes discovered he had spoken in the name of the Lord, they felt that Jeremiah should not be executed. **verse 16**

Other noblemen of Judah spoke in defense of Jeremiah. **verses 17-19**

Shaphan, the same scribe that had worked with King Josiah, had a son named Ahikam who wielded great political power in Judah. He decided that Jeremiah’s life should be spared. **2 Kings 22:3; Jeremiah 26:24**

THE PROPHET URIJAH

Urijah was another prophet in Jerusalem. He too prophesied the destruction of Jerusalem. Jehoiakim and the political leaders called for his death when they heard his negative prophecy. Urijah fled to Egypt but he was abducted and brought back to Jerusalem where he was subsequently executed with a sword. **Jeremiah 26:20-23**

NEBUCHADNEZZAR ARRIVES

Jehoiakim reigned for eight years when King Nebuchadnezzar of Babylon laid siege to Jerusalem. Egypt had already been defeated by Babylon and Nebuchadnezzar had taken the land of the Sinai Peninsula and the Gaza strip. Jehoiakim renounced his allegiance to Egypt and become a vassal king to Babylon. **2 Kings 24:1**

THE REBELLION OF JEHOIAKIM

Jehoiakim rebelled against Babylon after three years of being King Nebuchadnezzar’s vassal. This did not set well with the Lord, who sent bands of Chaldees, Syrians and Moabites to cause great destruction against Judah.

Jehoiakim fought these bands in vain and died eight years later, having reigned a total of eleven years. **2 Kings 24:2-6**

KING JEHOIACHIN

Jehoiachin was eighteen years old when he became king. He was trained as a Kabbalist and continued the evil work that his father had done. The rebellion against Babylon continued and just three months later King Nebuchadnezzar returned to Jerusalem and besieged the city.

Jehoiachin knew it was futile to resist the Babylonian army, so he walked out of the city and formally surrendered to Nebuchadnezzar. **2 Kings 24:8-12**

FIRST EXODUS TO BABYLON

Nebuchadnezzar wanted to forever destroy the power of Judah and ensure they never rebelled again. He did not know that God had sanctioned a forced departure to Babylon as a warning to the Jews. This event became known as the First Exodus to Babylon. A total of 10,000 men – including the king and his family – were marched to Babylon with some 7,000 craftsmen and 1,000 smiths. **verses 13-16**

SUMMARY

It is impossible for a human to resist the Devil in his own power. The sin nature in each person is wicked beyond description. **Jeremiah 17:9**

The kings of Judah did not give much thought about life after death and what eternity would mean for them. They simply lived for the here and now. **Mark 8:34-37**

Many Christians have not crucified the flesh, so when there is a conflict, they lose all their holiness and begin to scream, swear and use every curse word they know without realizing they are calling on Satan to minister unto them. **Galatians 5:13-25**

Remember, it's not so important how you begin your life after salvation, but how you finish it!

Do you have an ear to hear with?