

“³³ Even after this, Jeroboam did not change his evil ways, but once more appointed priests for the high places from all sorts of people. Anyone who wanted to become a priest he consecrated for the high places.³⁴ This was the sin of the house of Jeroboam that led to its downfall and to its destruction from the face of the earth.”
(1 King 13:33-34)

Jeroboam was the leader that the Lord appointed over the ten tribes of Israel after He tore the kingdom from Solomon after his death due to his disobedient to God by his worship to foreign gods.

God told that to Jeroboam through his prophet Ahijah as we can read here: *“²⁹ About that time Jeroboam was going out of Jerusalem, and Ahijah the prophet of Shiloh met him on the way, wearing a new cloak. The two of them were alone out in the country,³⁰ and Ahijah took hold of the new cloak he was wearing and tore it into twelve pieces.³¹ Then he said to Jeroboam, “Take ten pieces for yourself, for this is what the LORD, the God of Israel, says: ‘See, I am going to tear the kingdom out of Solomon’s hand and give you ten tribes.³² But for the sake of my servant David and the city of Jerusalem, which I have chosen out of all the tribes of Israel, he will have one tribe.³³ I will do this because they have forsaken me and worshiped Ashtoreth the goddess of the Sidonians, Chemosh the god of the Moabites, and Molech the god of the Ammonites, and have not walked in my ways, nor done what is right in my eyes, nor kept my statutes and laws as David, Solomon’s father, did.”*

But what Jeroboam did after he received the leadership? *“²⁸ After seeking advice, the king made two golden calves. He said to the people, “It is too much for you to go up to Jerusalem. Here are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of Egypt.”²⁹ One he set up in Bethel, and the other in Dan.³⁰ And this thing became a sin; the people went even as far as Dan to worship the one*

there.³¹ Jeroboam built shrines on high places and appointed priests from all sorts of people, even though they were not Levites.³² He instituted a festival on the fifteenth day of the eighth month, like the festival held in Judah, and offered sacrifices on the altar. This he did in Bethel, sacrificing to the calves he had made. And at Bethel he also installed priests at the high places he had made.³³ On the fifteenth day of the eighth month, a month of his own choosing, he offered sacrifices on the altar he had built at Bethel. So he instituted the festival for the Israelites and went up to the altar to make offerings.” He in fact did evil more than Solomon. Not only worshipped foreign God and astray the Israelites with the idols and the places of worship that he instituted but he as well appointed priests from all sorts of people, even though they were not Levites. To appoint people who does not know God’s law and who do not walk according to His word will bring great harm and damage to all the people by bringing them away from God and His ways. God warned Jeroboam against such sin through his prophet but he refused to repent. Therefore God carried all his judgment against all his house and descendants.



My Prayer

Father God I come before you in the name of Jesus who died on the cross for my sins to give me eternal life. Lord I repent from my sins _____. Lord I commit myself to walk in your ways and commit myself not to approve people and their service if they are not walking in your ways. This is my prayer in Jesus name Amen.

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“And the things you have heard me say in the presence of many witnesses entrust to reliable men who will also be qualified to teach others.”

(2 Timothy 2:22)



“Do not be hasty in the laying on of hands, and do not share in the sins of others. Keep yourself pure.”

(1 Timothy 5:22)

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