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that all the peoples of
the earth may know
that the Lord is God;
there is no other.
1 Kings 8:60

1. What does this story teach me about God or the gospel?
2. What does this story teach me about myself?
3. Are there any commands in this story to obey? How are they for God's glory and my good?
4. Are there any promises in this story to remember? How do they help me trust and love God?
5. How does this story help me to live on mission better?

My child has completed the Christ Connection on his/her own and has discussed it with me:

Parent Signature: _____



Unit 13 • Session 2

ISRAEL'S EVIL KINGS

1 Kings 14-15; 2 Chronicles 13

HOW MANY GODS ARE THERE? THERE IS ONE TRUE GOD WHO ALONE DESERVES WORSHIP.

Jeroboam did not keep God's commands and follow Him with all his heart. Jeroboam acted wickedly and made false gods for the people to worship.

God was angry with Jeroboam. He sent the prophet Ahijah to tell him: "I am going to bring disaster on you. There will be a new king over Israel."

Then the kingdom of Israel went to war with the kingdom of Judah. The king of Judah said to the people of Israel, "You worship golden calves. But we continue to worship God. We are obeying the commandments of the LORD, but you are not. Do not fight against us, because you will not win!"

God was with the people of Judah because of a promise He had made to King David, and they defeated Jeroboam and the army of Israel. Then the Lord struck Jeroboam, and he died.

After Jeroboam died, his son Nadab became king of Israel. Unfortunately, Nadab was just as evil as his father. Another man named Baasha (BAY uh shuh) attacked and killed Nadab and all his family. Baasha became the new king of Israel. Baasha followed the same pattern as the evil kings who came before him, leading the people away from God to worship idols.

Christ Connection: The first kings of Israel led the people to disobey God and to worship idols. Israel's kings suffered the consequences of their sin. We all sin when we disobey God and worship other things. Jesus died and rose again to pay for our sin and bring us back to God.



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