

A divided heart results in a divided kingdom. Love the LORD with all your heart. Do not allow your choices to divide your heart.

“And he had seven hundred wives, princesses, and three hundred concubines; and his wives turned away his heart. For it was so, when Solomon was old, that his wives turned his heart after other gods; and his heart was not loyal to the LORD his God, as was the heart of his father David.”

1 KINGS 11:3-4 (NKJ)

Prophecy #2. **Divided Heart.** The LORD just revealed this to me. I have just received the missing piece of the puzzle. This is a spiritual “MODEL.” A model is a pattern of events, words, or circumstances that exhibit themselves in the Bible which have specific spiritual and physical outcomes. They are important because they are TIMELESS. Remember, God is a jealous god; one of His names is Jealous. (**Exodus 34:14**)

King Solomon had approximately seven hundred (700) wives and three hundred (300) concubines. Don't you know there were a lot of children born? Every one of his women wanted to have a child by him. You may laugh now, but they didn't laugh later after Solomon's death when the children wanted the kingdom.

Let's move on. For one Egyptian princess, he built a temple for her to worship her god. Solomon eventually began worshipping her god; not only her god, but in time as complaints rolled in from the other wives, he submitted to their desires to worship their gods to please them and to quiet them. (*Don't make that mistake.*)

The king mentioned in this scripture is King Josiah; note what Solomon had done. **“Then the king defiled the high places that were east of Jerusalem, which were on the south of the Mount of Corruption, which Solomon king of Israel had built for Ashtoreth the abomination of the Sidonians, for Chemosh the abomination of the Moabites, and for Milcom the abomination of the people of Ammon.”** 2 Kings 23:13 (NKJ)

Now this is the passage where he did it. **1 Kings 11:8 – “And he did likewise for all his foreign wives, who burned incense and sacrificed to their gods.”**

“So the LORD became angry with Solomon, because his heart had turned from the LORD God of Israel, who had appeared to him twice, and had commanded him concerning this thing, that he should not go after other gods; but he did not keep what the LORD had commanded.” 1 Kings 11:9

This is what the LORD, among other things, had commanded: **“You shall not intermarry with them, nor they with you. For surely they will turn away your hearts after their gods. Solomon clung to these (Moabites, Ammonites, Edomites, Sidonians, and Hittites) in love.” 1 Kings 11:2** And that is just what happened. Solomon’s heart was turned away from the Lord; his heart was DIVIDED between his love for the LORD and his other loves.

A DIVIDED HEART (divided by idolatry and other issues of the flesh) gets you a DIVIDED KINGDOM (division in the ranks). The LORD allowed me to see this as I studied these passages. I knew Solomon was involved in idolatry as I know America is involved also today.

Imagine with me now. A “knock, knock, knock” at King Solomon’s door. It is the court prophet with a message from God: **“Therefore the LORD said to Solomon, “Because you have done this, and have not kept My covenant and My statutes, which I have commanded you, I will surely tear the kingdom away from you and give it to your servant, nevertheless I will not do it in your days, for the sake of your father David; but I will tear it out of the hand of your son.” 1 Kings 11:11-12**

To be brief, King Solomon’s heart became divided because of the choices he made. He did not keep God’s Covenant or His Statues. He was engaged in idolatry. God allowed Solomon to live, but when he died his heirs fought over the Kingdom from the now divided kingdom: Israel in the North and Judah in the south. They fought and killed one another like it is difficult for me to imagine.

In time, the northern kingdom was captured by the Assyrians and scattered to the wind. The southern kingdom was captured by the Babylonians with many Israelites being taken captive to Babylon. Two Hebrew Diaspora.

Whew, okay, now let me bring it all home. Christians are the new Hebrews; the new “Chosen of God” (*not saying Hebrews are not chosen* (that is another lesson)); due to their faith in the Son of God and therefore Heirship. Solomon represents Heirship, represents Israel, the Chosen of God. Bringing it to the living room: Christians are the new Heirs (*let’s say*) and as such have Heirship responsibilities. As new heirs if we do not do these two things we are in trouble: Keep the Covenant (**Ten Commandments**) (**Exodus 20**) and the Statues (**Jesus’ Commandments** (*At least one and two*)) (**Matthew 22:37**).

Christian Americans have fallen into idolatry, hedonism, necromancy, pornography, immorality, greed, avarice, evil ways. Not all, but many who profess to be Christian, but are truly not – not in action, but in name only.

God will move on this group (*in this case a country, USA*) as it did against Israel and Solomon. I never could figure out the “model” of the divided heart because this model requires two kingdoms splitting from one or two armies from the initial kingdom. I tried to apply the “model” to the Civil War in America. It did not work. This is now so in America. Or rather in old Babylon, in Iraq – there are 190,000 contracted soldiers in a private army helping soldiers in the US army do there job. Or are they? What is going to happen when there is no more war?

Now the stage is set. US Defense Contractors now have an army at their disposal – actually, anyone does here in the USA or abroad who has the money to purchase their services. Now there is a private army which is as well armed as the US Army and maybe better armed—with access to military logistics. **So now the divided heart** (the heart of a nation) **can bring the divided kingdom** (a nation divided in warfare) against itself. Watch this model as it unfolds.

If it couldn't get in your face any bigger than this, let me tell you... the demons are bold. They are in your face and you do not see them. What is the name of America's *most favorite* television (*tell a lie through vision*) show? AMERICAN IDOL. There is more to this. Enough said for now. (TO BE CONTINUED)

IDOLATRY BRINGS CONFLICT THEN BONDAGE



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