

## What to Do When I Need Revival

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Main Passage: 2 Kings 17 & 22-23

*1 Corinthians 10:11, LB – All these things happened to them as examples—as object lessons to us—to warn us against doing the same things; they were written down so that we could read about them and learn from them in these last days as the world nears its end.*

*1 Kings 9:4-8a, GNT – If you will serve me in honesty and integrity, as your father David did, and if you obey my laws and do everything I have commanded you, I will keep the promise I made to your father David... But if you or your descendants stop following me, disobey the laws and commands I have given you, and worship other gods, then I will remove my people Israel from the land that I have given them. I will also abandon this Temple which I have consecrated as the place where I am to be worshiped... This Temple will become a pile of ruins, and everyone who passes by will be shocked and amazed.*

*Romans 15:4, NIV – For everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through the endurance taught in the Scriptures and the encouragement they provide we might have hope.*

**Part 1 – Israel: Northern Israelite kings had grown \_\_\_\_\_ disobedient.**

*2 Kings 8:18, ESV – And [king Jehoram] walked in the way of the kings of Israel...*

**For generations and through many prophets, God \_\_\_\_\_ Israel to listen and repent.**

*2 Kings 17:13-14, NLT – Again and again the Lord had sent his prophets and seers to warn both Israel and Judah: ‘Turn from all your evil ways. Obey my commands and decrees—the entire law that I commanded your ancestors to obey, and that I gave you through my servants the prophets.’ But the Israelites would not listen. They were as stubborn as their ancestors who had refused to believe in the Lord their God.  
(and see Hosea 8:1-4, 8-9, LB)*

**Finally, all 10 tribes in Israel \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ to Assyria.**

*2 Kings 17:6a, NLT – Finally, in the ninth year of King Hoshea’s reign, the capital city of the Northern Kingdom, Samaria fell, and the people of Israel were [conquered and] exiled to Assyria.*

*Amos 4:2, NIV – The Sovereign Lord has sworn by his holiness: “The time will surely come when you will be taken away with hooks, the last of you with fishhooks.”*

**But God did not \_\_\_\_\_ his people.**

*John 4:19-20, NLT – “Sir,” the woman said, “you must be a prophet. So tell me, why is it that you Jews insist that Jerusalem is the only place of worship, while we Samaritans claim it is here at Mount Gerizim, where our ancestors worshiped?”*

*John 4:21-26, NLT – Jesus replied, “Believe me, dear woman, the time is coming when it will no longer matter whether you worship the Father on this mountain or in Jerusalem. You Samaritans*

*know very little about the one you worship, while we Jews know all about him, for salvation comes through the Jews. But the time is coming—indeed it’s here now—when true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and in truth. The Father is looking for those who will worship him that way. For God is Spirit, so those who worship him must worship in spirit and in truth.”<sup>25</sup> The woman said, “I know the Messiah is coming—the one who is called Christ. When he comes, he will explain everything to us.” Then Jesus told her, “I am the Messiah!”*

*John 4:39,42, NLT – Many Samaritans from the village believed in Jesus... Then they said to the woman, “Now we believe, not just because of what you told us, but because we have heard him ourselves. Now we know that he is indeed the Savior of the world.”*

**Wisdom lesson here is simple: with God, there is no such thing as \_\_\_\_\_**

**Part 2 – Judah: King \_\_\_\_\_ and the southern kingdom of Judah**

*1 Kings 13:1-2 – prophecy about King Josiah*

**Fast Facts about King Josiah:**

*2 Kings 22:8-14a, NCV – Hilkiyah the high priest said to Shaphan the royal secretary, “I’ve found the Book of the Teachings in the Temple of the Lord.” He gave it to Shaphan, who read it. Then Shaphan the royal secretary went to the king and reported... “Hilkiyah the priest has given me a book.” And Shaphan read from the book to the king. When the king heard the words of the Book of the Teachings, he tore his clothes to show how upset he was. He gave orders to Hilkiyah the priest... Shaphan the royal secretary, and [a few others.] These were the orders: “Go and ask the Lord about the words in the book that was found. Ask for me, for all the people, and for all Judah. The Lord’s anger is burning against us, because our ancestors did not obey the words of this book; they did not do all the things written for us to do.” So Hilkiyah the priest... Shaphan, and [a few others] went to talk to Huldah the prophetess.*

*2 Kings 22:18-20 – Huldah responds to Josiah*

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*Isaiah 40:1-2, 26-31, NLT*

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*2 Corinthians 7:10, NLT – For the kind of sorrow God wants us to experience leads us away from sin and results in salvation. There’s no regret for that kind of sorrow. But worldly sorrow, which lacks repentance, results in spiritual death.*

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*Philippians 2:13, LB – For God is at work within you, helping you want to obey him, and then helping you do what he wants.*