

## B. 1st period: Intertribal Warfare (932-886 B. C.)

1. Intro material
  - i. This period is characterized by internal warfare.
  - ii. There is a civil war between the kings of Israel and the kings of Judah.
2. The kings of Israel
  - i. Jeroboam 1
    - a. He reigned for 22 years.
    - b. Right after he became king, he was afraid that if the people of Israel went down to Jer to worship the Lord that they would pay their allegiance to Reh and kill him.
    - c. His solution
      - 1) He built one altar at Bethel.
      - 2) He built another one at Dan.
      - 3) He made a golden calf that was supposed to be a visible representation of Jehovah.
      - 4) He said, "Now look folks. You don't want to have to go all the way down to Jer to worship the Lord. You can worship him right here."
        - i) This is a strict violation of the 2nd commandment.
        - ii) That was a sin that is going to follow Israel through her history.
    - d. After he sets up the altar in Bethel and Dan, his son becomes ill.
      - 1) When his son becomes ill, he sends his wife to Shiloh.
      - 2) This is where Ahijah the prophet was.
      - 3) He wants her to find out what is going to happen to the boy.
      - 4) She goes down there in disguise.
      - 5) Ahijah is blind by this time.
      - 6) The Lord tells Ahijah, "A woman is going to come and seek you and it's Jer's wife."
      - 7) When Jer's wife comes, Ahijah tells her, "I've got a message from God for you. You go back and tell Jer that as soon as you get back, the child is going to die. And not only that but every male descendant of Jer is going to be cut off (that meant his dynasty was going to end)."
    - e. As soon as she gets back, the boy dies.
    - f. Jer continues his reign for 22 years.
    - g. He dies and his son, Nadab, reigns in his place.