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Q: How many kings were there in Israel and Judah, how long did each rule, and how

many were good/bad?

A: In all, there were 42 kings (and one queen). Saul was the first king, and he ruled over all of the 12 tribes of Israel for 40 years (1050-1010 BC). After Saul's death, the kingdom became temporarily divided, with Saul's son Ishbosheth ruling 11 of the tribes for two years, while David ruled Judah (1010-970 BC). After Ishbosheth was assassinated, David became king over all 12 tribes. His son Solomon followed him as king, and also ruled over a unified kingdom of 12 tribes. Both David and Solomon (970-930 BC) ruled for 40 years each.

After Solomon's reign ended, the kingdom divided into what became known as the Southern

Kingdom (Judah and Benjamin: but simply called Judah) and the Northern Kingdom (the

remaining 10 tribes: called Israel). This resulted in a string of 19 kings ruling over Israel and 19

kings (plus one queen) ruling over Judah, listed in order, with the number of years they

ruled in parenthesis:

**Kings Of Israel (Northern Kingdom 10 tribes) Kings Of Judah (Southern Kingdom 2 tribes)**

1. Jeroboam 1 (22 yrs) 1. Rehoboam (17 yrs)

~300 years from prophesy (1 Kings 13) to fulfillment (2 Kings 22-23)

2. Nadab (2 yrs) 2. Abijam (3 yrs)

3. Baasha (24 yrs) 3. Asa (41 yrs)

4. Elah (2 yrs) 4. Jehoshaphat (25 yrs)

5. Zimri (7 days) 5. Jehoram (8 yrs)

6. Omri (12 yrs) 6. Ahaziah (1 yr)

7. Ahab (22 yrs) 7. Athaliah (Queen) (6 yrs)

8. Ahaziah (2 yrs) 8. Joash (40 yrs)

9. Jehoram (Joram)(12 yrs) 9. Amaziah (29 yrs)

10. Jehu (28 yrs) 10. Azariah (Uzziah)(52 yrs)

11. Jehoahaz (17 yrs) 11. Jotham (16 yrs)

12. Jehoash (16 yrs) 12. Ahaz (16 yrs)

13. Jeroboam 2 (41 yrs) 13. Hezekiah (29 yrs)

14. Zachariah (6 mos) 14. Manasseh (55 yrs)

15. Shallum (1 mo) 15. Amon (2 yrs)

16. Menahem (10 yrs) 16. Josiah (31 yrs)

17. Pekhiah (2 yrs) 17. Jehoahaz (3 mos)

18. Pekah (20 yrs) 18. Jehoiakim (11 yrs)

19. Hoshea (9 yrs) 19. Jehoiachin (3 mos)

 20. Zedekiah (11 yrs)

* Of the kings on this chart, the Bible says ALL of the kings of Israel were evil. Among the kings of Judah, 12 were evil and 8 were good (Asa, Jehoshaphat, Joash, Amaziah, Azariah, Jotham, Hezekiah, and Josiah).
* Fall of Northern Kingdom (Israel); Assyrian captivity happened in 722 BC.
* Fall of Southern Kingdom (Judah); Babylonian captivity happened in 586 BC (384 years after David).