



Asa Relied & God Protected:

1 Kings 14-16, 1 Chronicles 12-16

Lesson 74 Visuals

- **Jeroboam's son became sick so Jeroboam told his wife to disguise herself and go to the prophet Ahijah.**
- **The prophet Ahijah was blind but the LORD told him that Jeroboam's wife was coming and that she would be disguised.**
- **Ahijah said that when Jeroboam's wife stepped foot into her house, their sick son would die.**
- **Ahijah said the LORD will raise up a new king who will wipe out Jeroboam's family.**
- **The southern kingdom of Judah also turned to idol worship just like the Northern kingdom of Israel did.**
- **God removed His protection from Judah because they turned away from Him.**



- **King Shishak from Egypt led his army out to attack Jerusalem. Then the LORD sent a prophet to King Rehoboam. The LORD said, “You have abandoned Me; therefore, I now abandon you to Shishak.”**
- **God allowed Shishak and the Egyptian army to attack Jerusalem and steal everything of value in the LORD’s temple and the king’s palace.**
- **But God prevented Shishak from killing the people of Jerusalem because King Rehoboam and the leaders humbled themselves before the LORD.**
- **King Abijah was not fully devoted to the LORD. And because of that, the LORD did not give King Abijah rest from war. There was war between Israel and Judah.**
- **When Abijah died, Asa became king. Asa was devoted to the LORD.**



- When King Asa saw Zerah and the Cushite army getting ready to attack Judah, Asa prayed to the LORD asking for help. Asa prayed, “Help us, O Lord our God, for we rely on you.”
- The LORD said He would turn away from Asa if Asa turned away from the LORD.
- Asa removed all the idols from the land, repaired the altar to the LORD and commanded all the people of Judah to seek the LORD with all their heart and soul.
- Asa fired his own grandmother when he caught her making an Asherah pole. He removed her from her position as Queen Mother because she made this evil idol.
- When Israel came out to attack Judah, Asa went to the King of Aram instead of going to the LORD.
- Asa put Hanani in prison just for delivering God’s message.



- **The Lord said, “The eyes of the LORD range throughout the earth to strengthen those whose hearts are fully devoted to the LORD.”**
- **Proverbs 3:5 says, “Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding.”**
- **King Asa should have trusted in the LORD and not leaned on his own understanding.**