

2 Kings 14:23–29 (NIV)

Jeroboam II King of Israel

²³ In the fifteenth year of Amaziah son of Joash king of Judah, Jeroboam son of Jehoash king of Israel became king in Samaria, and he reigned forty-one years. ²⁴ He did evil in the eyes of the LORD and did not turn away from any of the sins of Jeroboam son of Nebat, which he had caused Israel to commit. ²⁵ He was the one who restored the boundaries of Israel from Lebo Hamath to the Sea of the Arabah, in accordance with the word of the LORD, the God of Israel, spoken through his servant Jonah son of Amittai, the prophet from Gath Hopher.

²⁶ The LORD had seen how bitterly everyone in Israel, whether slave or free, was suffering; there was no one to help them. ²⁷ And since the LORD had not said he would blot out the name of Israel from under heaven, he saved them by the hand of Jeroboam son of Jehoash.

²⁸ As for the other events of Jeroboam's reign, all he did, and his military achievements, including how he recovered for Israel both Damascus and Hamath, which had belonged to Yaudi, are they not written in the book of the annals of the kings of Israel? ²⁹ Jeroboam rested with his fathers, the kings of Israel. And Zechariah his son succeeded him as king.

Hosea 5:1–15 (NIV)

Judgment Against Israel

- 5 "Hear this, you priests!
Pay attention, you Israelites!
Listen, O royal house!
This judgment is against you:
You have been a snare at Mizpah,
a net spread out on Tabor.
2 The rebels are deep in slaughter.
I will discipline all of them.
3 I know all about Ephraim;
Israel is not hidden from me.
Ephraim, you have now turned to prostitution;
Israel is corrupt.
- 4 "Their deeds do not permit them
to return to their God.
A spirit of prostitution is in their heart;
they do not acknowledge the LORD.
5 Israel's arrogance testifies against them;
the Israelites, even Ephraim, stumble in their sin;
Judah also stumbles with them.
6 When they go with their flocks and herds
to seek the LORD,
they will not find him;
he has withdrawn himself from them.
7 They are unfaithful to the LORD;
they give birth to illegitimate children.
Now their New Moon festivals
will devour them and their fields.
- 8 "Sound the trumpet in Gibeah,
the horn in Ramah.
Raise the battle cry in Beth Aven;
lead on, O Benjamin.
9 Ephraim will be laid waste

on the day of reckoning.
 Among the tribes of Israel
 I proclaim what is certain.
 10 Judah's leaders are like those
 who move boundary stones.
 I will pour out my wrath on them
 like a flood of water.
 11 Ephraim is oppressed,
 trampled in judgment,
 intent on pursuing idols.
 12 I am like a moth to Ephraim,
 like rot to the people of Judah.
 13 "When Ephraim saw his sickness,
 and Judah his sores,
 then Ephraim turned to Assyria,
 and sent to the great king for help.
 But he is not able to cure you,
 not able to heal your sores.
 14 For I will be like a lion to Ephraim,
 like a great lion to Judah.
 I will tear them to pieces and go away;
 I will carry them off, with no one to rescue them.
 15 Then I will go back to my place
 until they admit their guilt.
 And they will seek my face;
 in their misery they will earnestly seek me."

Amos 2:6–16 (NIV)

Judgment on Israel

6 This is what the LORD says:
 "For three sins of Israel,
 even for four, I will not turn back my wrath.
 They sell the righteous for silver,
 and the needy for a pair of sandals.
 7 They trample on the heads of the poor
 as upon the dust of the ground
 and deny justice to the oppressed.
 Father and son use the same girl
 and so profane my holy name.
 8 They lie down beside every altar
 on garments taken in pledge.
 In the house of their god
 they drink wine taken as fines.
 9 "I destroyed the Amorite before them,
 though he was tall as the cedars
 and strong as the oaks.
 I destroyed his fruit above
 and his roots below.
 10 "I brought you up out of Egypt,
 and I led you forty years in the desert
 to give you the land of the Amorites.
 11 I also raised up prophets from among your sons
 and Nazirites from among your young men.

