

The Fall of Israel and Judah

Israel (Northern Kingdom):

Dates: **933-721 B.C.**

King at the time of the fall: **King Hoshea 732-723 B.C.**

Nations used by God to capture: **the Assyrians**

Significant Events:

- **Tiglath-Pileser III came down against Israel twice and took them into captivity from Galilee to Assyria in 734 B.C..**
- **Hoshea is the nineteenth and last king of Israel. He assassinates King Pekah and forms alliance with Egypt. King Shalmaneser takes Hoshe's kingdom in captivity.**
- **Sargon II carried away the rest of Samaria in 721 B.C.**
- **The Kingdom of Israel only lasts for 208 years.**

Their Sin: **Obedience and Idolatry**

The Progression of punishment: **captivity and punishment. Israel's kings were continuously evil in the sight of the Lord and the people followed them.**

Judah (Southern Kingdom):

Dates: **586 B.C.**

King at the time of the fall: **King Zedekiah 597-586 B.C.**

Nations used by God to capture: **The Babylonians, Chaldeans, and Edomites.**

Significant Events:

- **Zedekiah revolts against Nebuchadnezzar and Judah is besieged again.**
- **Jerusalem fell after a 2 year siege and the temple was destroyed.**
- **Zedekiah's sons are murdered and Zedekiah's eyes are gouged out.**
- **4,000 people were deported out of Judah.**

Their Sin: **Idolatry**

The Progression of punishment: **2/3 of the population decreased, they became "...a shadow of its former self." They lapsed back into idolatrous rebellious habits, so they were sent back into captivity by the Babylonians. They suffered continuous wars and constant internal conflict.**