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- The Ten Tribes Rejected the Davidic Dynasty
- The Ten Tribes Rejected the Jerusalem Temple
- The Ten Tribes Rejected YHWH

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- Are the Words of a Man or Angel More Important than the Word of God?
- Test of a Prophet
- The Ten Tribes Rejected YHWH
- YHWH's Response to Rejection

#### Kingdom of God

Based on GRACE God would save man

#### Election



God chose Abraham

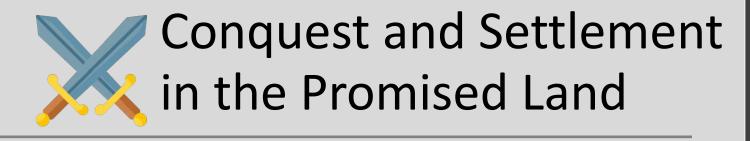


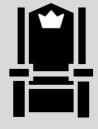
God saved Israel





- Law
- National anthem
- Temple worship
- Feasts & festivals





Kings in Israel:

Unified kingdom

Grey shows paganization

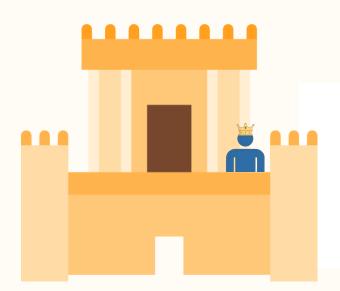
#### Kings of the Unified Kingdom



Saul 1095–1055 BC

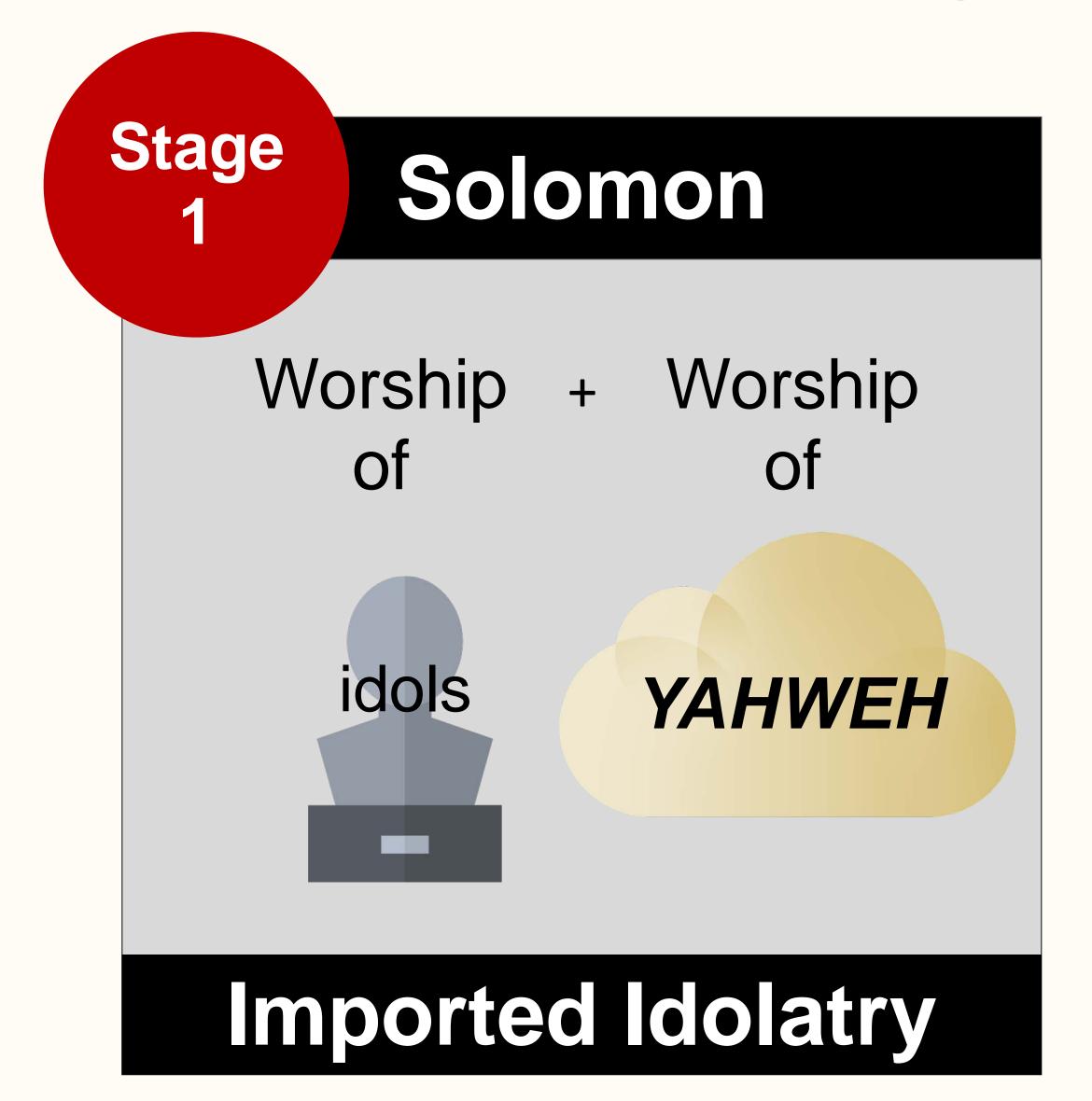


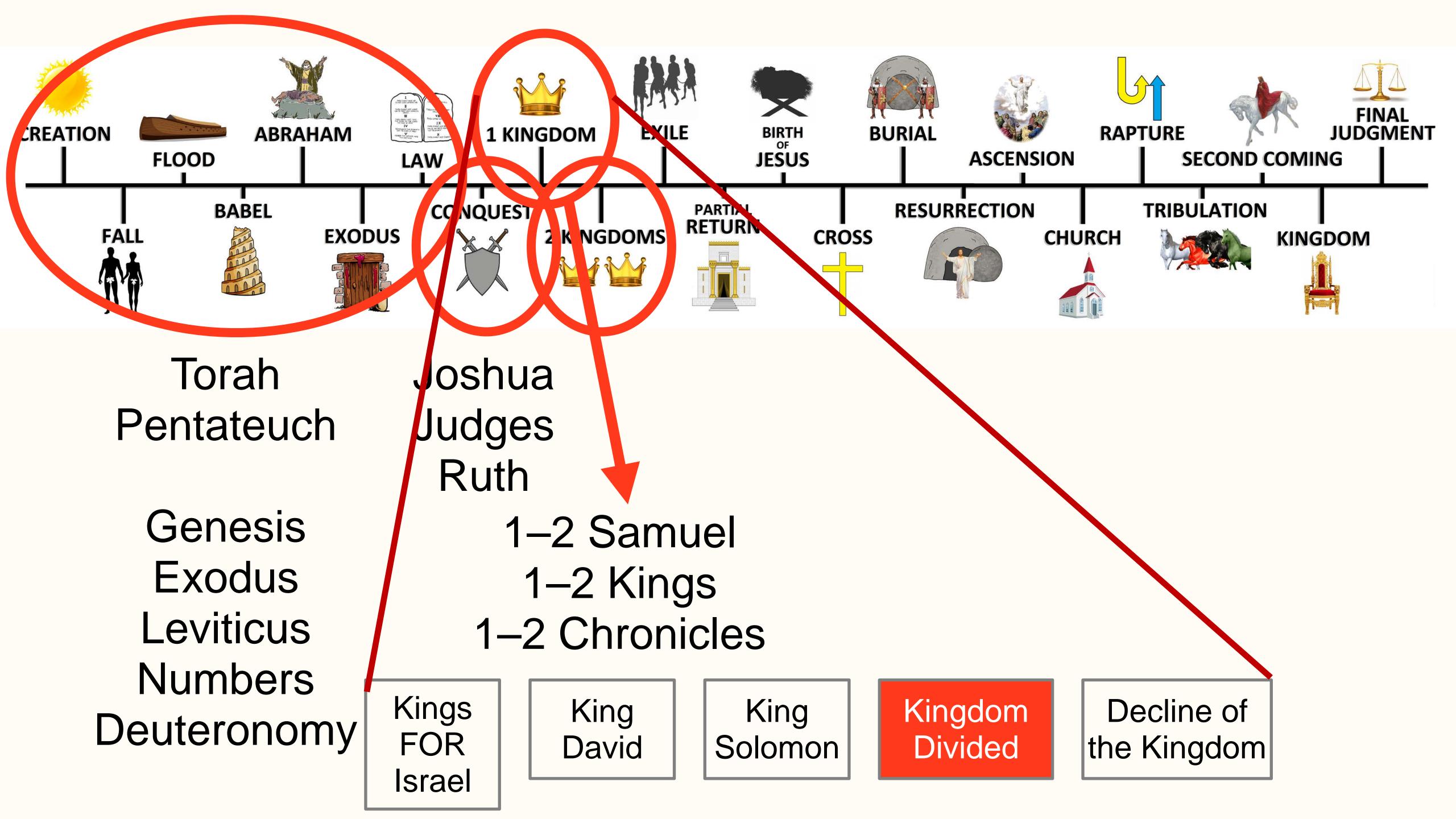
David
1055–1015 BC



**Solomon** 1015–975 BC

### How Israel Became Paganized



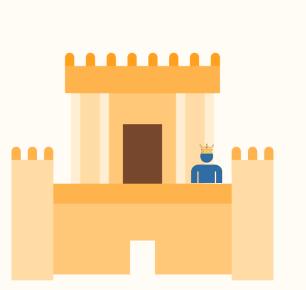


## I. The Third and Final King of Israel as a Unified Kingdom: Solomon

## Key Events in the Life of Solomon









A. Asked God for wisdom

B. Legacy: Golden Era C. Built and Dedicated Temple

D. Turned away from God

Are the words of a man or angel more important than the Word of God?

1 Kings 13:18, "He said to him, 'I too am a prophet as you are, and an angel spoke to me by the word of the LORD, saying, "Bring him back with you to your house, that he may eat bread and drink water." '(He was lying to him.)"

Gal. 1:8, "But even if we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel to you than what we have preached to you, let him be accursed."

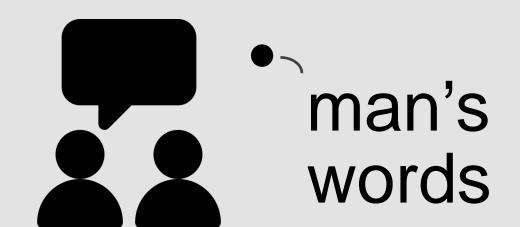
#### Creator-creature Distinction

1st level CREATOR

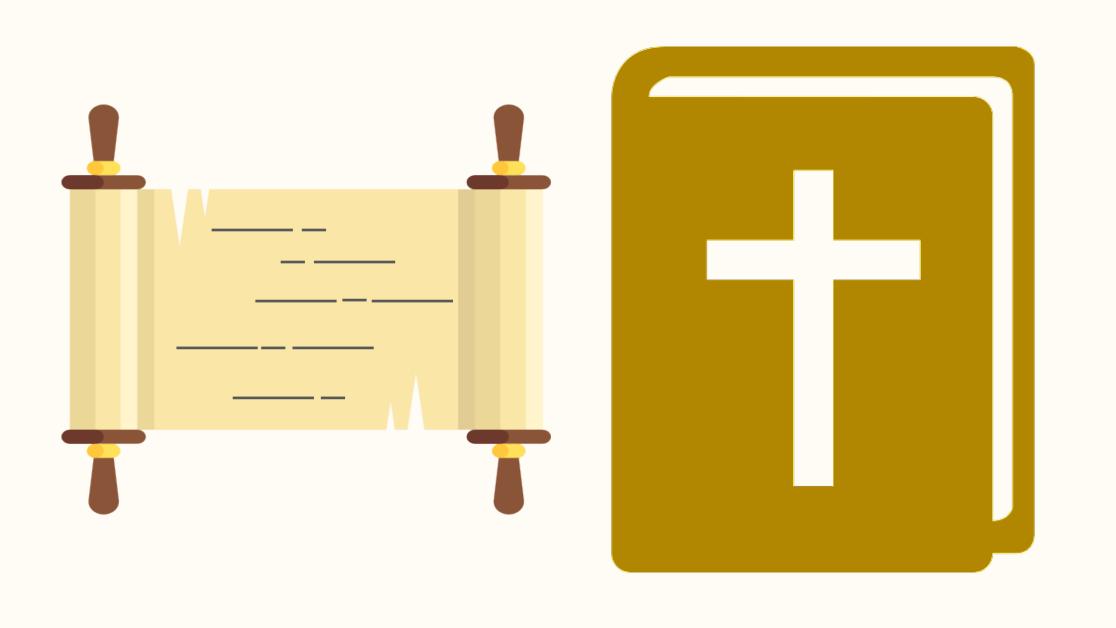
# YAHWEH'S ALL-TRUE, ALL-KNOWING WORDS

2<sup>nd</sup> level creature





- 2 Pet. 1:16, "For we did not follow cunningly devised fables when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but were eyewitnesses of His majesty.
- 2 Pet. 1:17, "For He received from God the Father honor and glory when such a voice came to Him from the Excellent Glory: 'This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.'
- 2 Pet. 1:18, "And we heard this voice which came from heaven when we were with Him on the holy mountain.
- 2 Pet. 1:19, "And so we have the prophetic word confirmed, which you do well to heed as a light that shines in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts;"





Trust in the written Word of God more than in experiences

(The Written Word of God Should be More Real to You Than Anything you Feel, Hear, See, or Experience)

#### YAHWEH

#### REVELATION

What God revealed in the course of history.

Many things God revealed were NOT recorded in Scripture.

#### INSPIRATION

Only what God chose to record became Scripture.

THE CANON

The Bible is God's revelation written, preserved, and canonized.

1. Their teaching must be consistent with the Word of God.

<u>Deut. 13:1</u>, "If there arises among you a prophet or a dreamer of dreams, and he gives you a sign or a wonder, <u>Deut. 13:2</u>, "and the sign or the wonder comes to pass, of which he spoke to you, saying, 'Let us go after other gods'—which you have not known—'and let us serve them,'

<u>Deut. 13:3</u>, "you shall not listen to the words of that prophet or that dreamer of dreams, for the LORD your God is testing you to know whether you love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul."









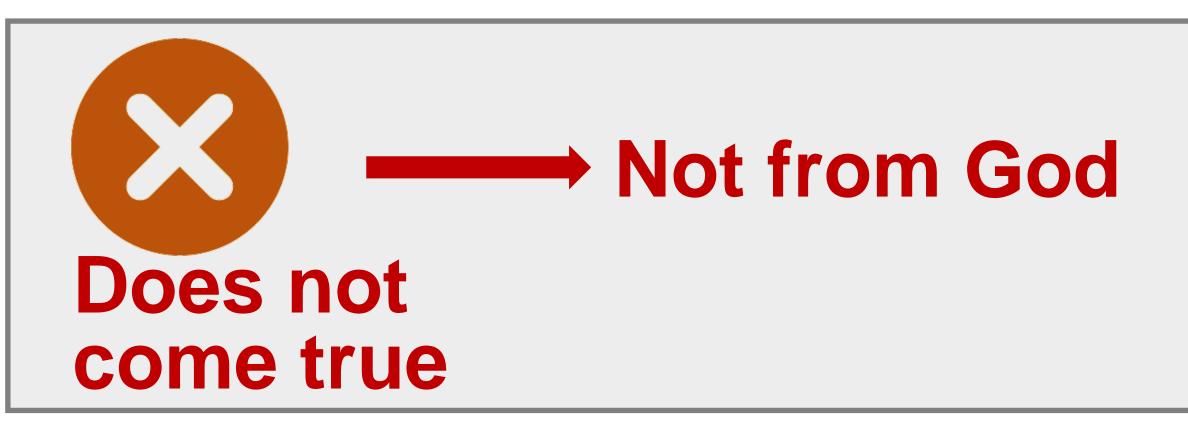
Teaching
DOES NOT
MATCH God's
Word



#### 2. What the Prophet predicts must come true!

Deut. 18:22, "when a prophet speaks in the name of the LORD, if the thing does not happen or come to pass, that is the thing which the LORD has not spoken; the prophet has spoken it presumptuously; you shall not be afraid of him."



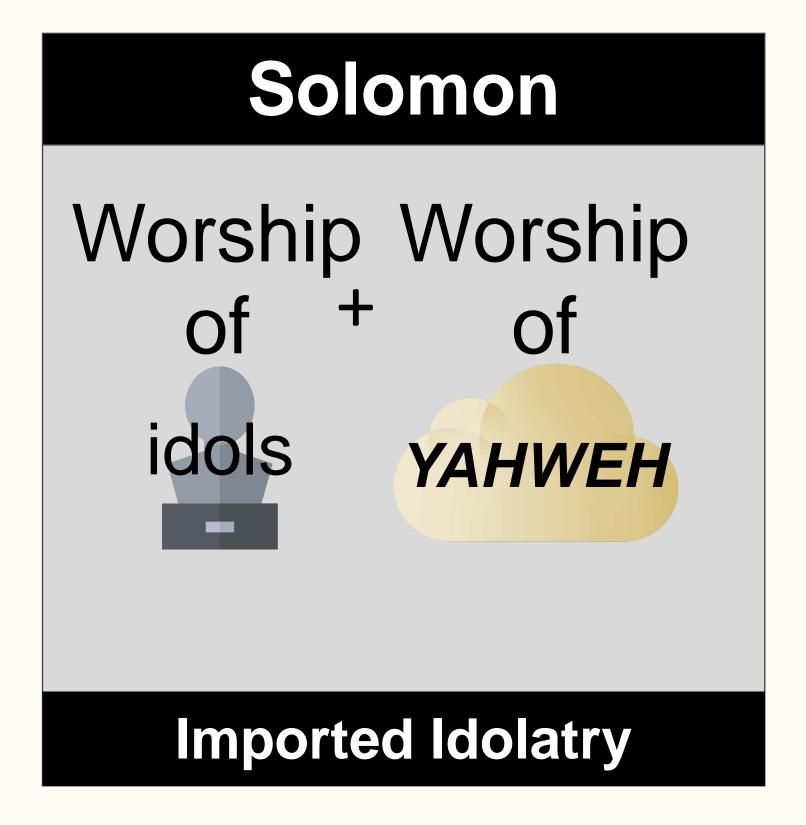


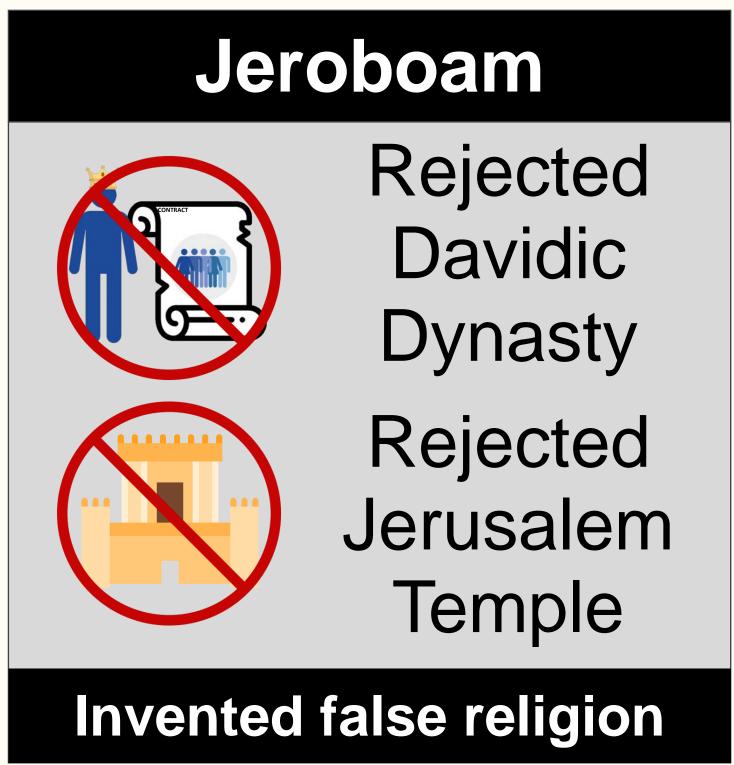


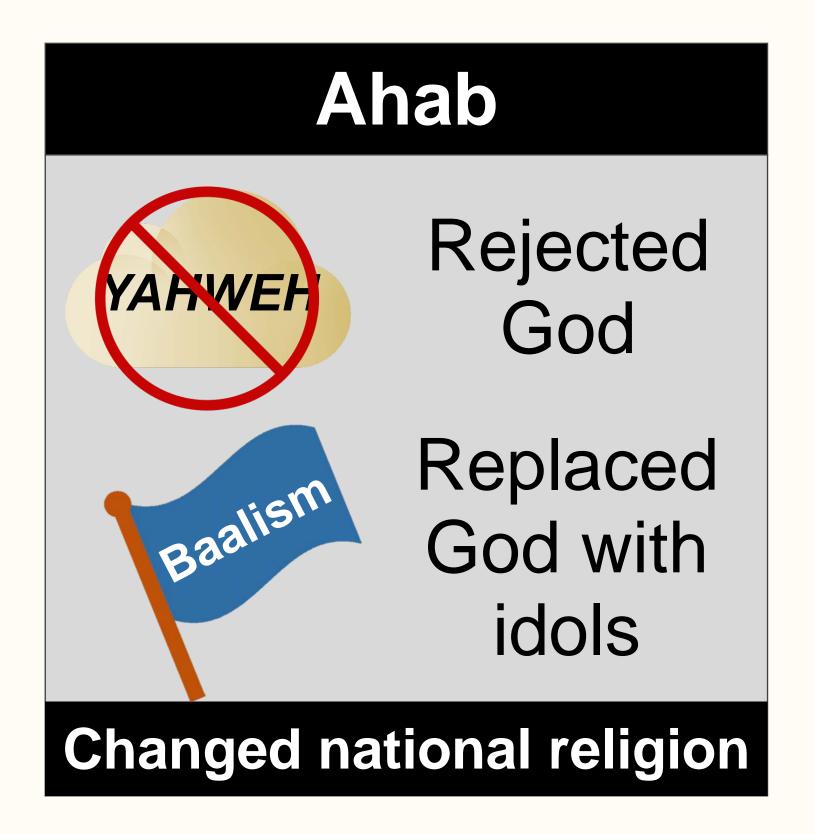
Does not necessarily mean it's from God

- 3. The ten tribes reject Yahweh Himself.
  - 1 Kings 16:30, "Now Ahab the son of Omri did evil in the sight of the LORD, more than all who were before him.
  - 1 Kings 16:31, "And it came to pass, as though it had been a trivial thing for him to walk in the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, that he took as wife Jezebel the daughter of Ethbaal, king of the Sidonians; and he went and served Baal and worshiped him.
  - 1 Kings 16:32, "Then he set up an altar for Baal in the temple of Baal, which he had built in Samaria.
  - 1 Kings 16:33, "And Ahab made a wooden image. Ahab did more to provoke the LORD God of Israel to anger than all the kings of Israel who were before him."

### How Israel Became Paganized







#### Yahweh's Response to Israel's Rejection

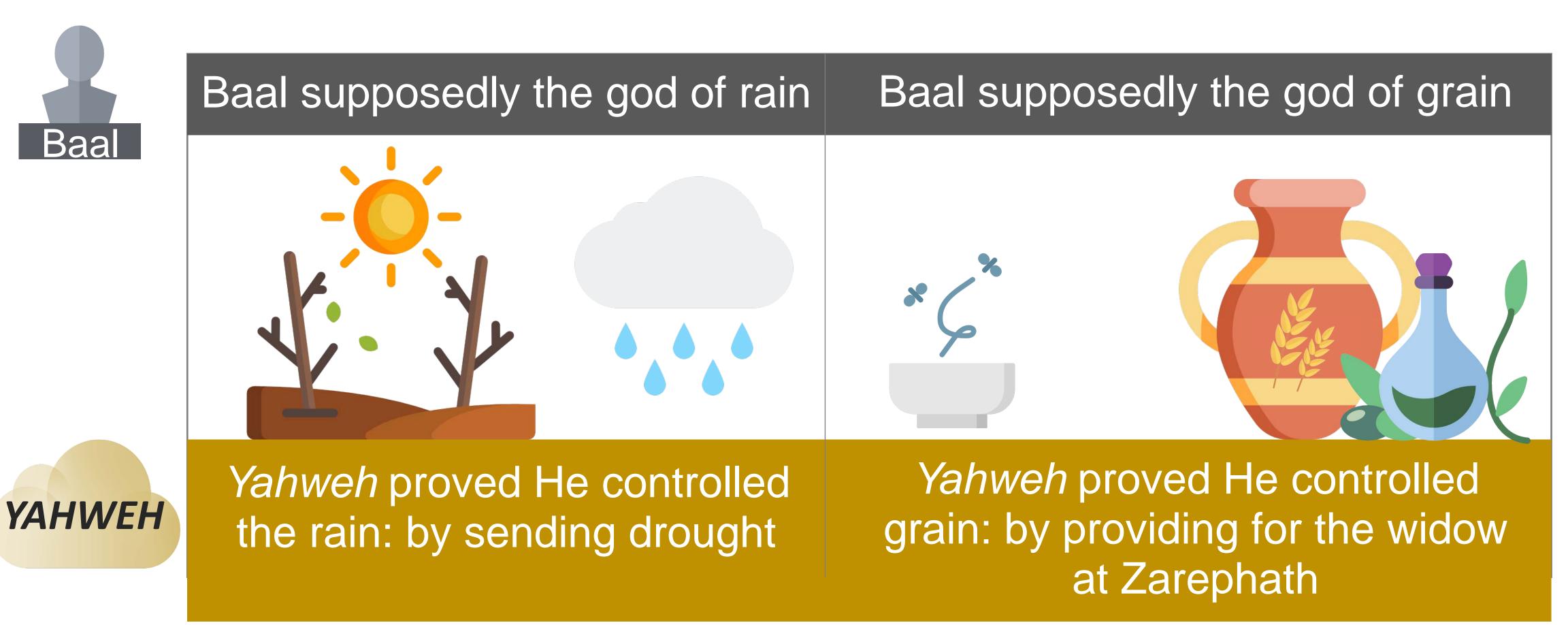
#### A. Cursings

Blessings for keeping the covenant	Cursings for breaking the covenant
Leviticus 26:1–13 (also Deuteronomy 28:1–14)	Leviticus 26:14–46 (also Deuteronomy 28:15–68)
<ul> <li>Economic prosperity, good weather and cooperative nature (v4–5)</li> <li>Military success and peace (v6–8)</li> <li>Population growth (v9)</li> <li>God's continued presence with them (v11–12)</li> </ul>	5 Stages of disciplines or cursings:  Stage 1: Disease and sickness (physical and psychological), military defeat, economic disaster (v14–17)  Stage 2: Famine (v18–20)  Stage 3: Death of children and livestock, population decrease (v21–22)  Stage 4: Starvation, epidemics, crushing military defeat (v23–26)  Stage 5: Cannibalism, death, enemy invasion, exile, terror and psychological problems, God's presence removed from them (v27–39)

B. YHWH demonstrates He is the real God.

#### Who is the True God?







- 1 Kings 18:17, "Then it happened, when Ahab saw Elijah, that Ahab said to him, 'Is that you, O troubler of Israel?'
- 1 Kings 18:18, "And he answered, 'I have not troubled Israel, but you and your father's house have, in that you have forsaken the commandments of the LORD and have followed the Baals.
- 1 Kings 18:19, " 'Now therefore, send and gather all Israel to me on Mount Carmel, the four hundred and fifty prophets of Baal, and the four hundred prophets of Asherah, who eat at Jezebel's table.' "

- 1 Kings 18:20, "So Ahab sent for all the children of Israel, and gathered the prophets together on Mount Carmel.
- 1 Kings 18:21, "And Elijah came to all the people, and said, 'How long will you falter between two opinions? If the LORD is God, follow Him; but if Baal, follow him.' But the people answered him not a word."

- 1 Kings 18:36, "And it came to pass, at the time of the offering of the evening sacrifice, that Elijah the prophet came near and said, 'LORD God of Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, let it be known this day that You are God in Israel and I am Your servant, and that I have done all these things at Your word.
- 1 Kings 18:37, "'Hear me, O LORD, hear me, that this people may know that You are the LORD God, and that You have turned their hearts back to You again.'
- 1 Kings 18:38, "Then the fire of the LORD fell and consumed the burnt sacrifice, and the wood and the stones and the dust, and it licked up the water that was in the trench.
- 1 Kings 18:39, "Now when all the people saw it, they fell on their faces; and they said, 'The LORD, He is God! The LORD, He is God!' "







#### Circumcision of the Heart

Inward change from rebellion to obedience that sets a person apart to love God fully inside and out

Makes a person right with God

#### Creator-creature Distinction

1st level CREATOR (Yahweh)

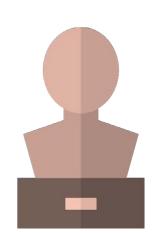
#### SOVEREIGNTY

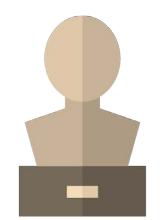
2<sup>nd</sup> level creature (man)

responsible choice

NOT 1<sup>st</sup> level and NOT 2<sup>nd</sup> level Lifeless, breathless dead idols of gold, silver, and wood, made with human hands







Deut. 13:5, "But that prophet or that dreamer of dreams shall be put to death, because he has spoken in order to turn you away from the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt and redeemed you from the house of bondage, to entice you from the way in which the LORD your God commanded you to walk. So you shall put away the evil from your midst."

#### YHWH Continued to Demonstrate He is the True God

#### Baal was thought to be:

God of lightning

1 Kings 18:41–45

Lord of agriculture

Lord of life

Lord of healing

## Yahweh showed through Elijah and Elisha that:

He is God of lightning.

- 1 Kings 18:38;
- 2 Kings 1:9–12

Lord of rain

He is God of oil and grain even in the land of Baal.

1 Kings 17:8–16

He is God of life who gives children.

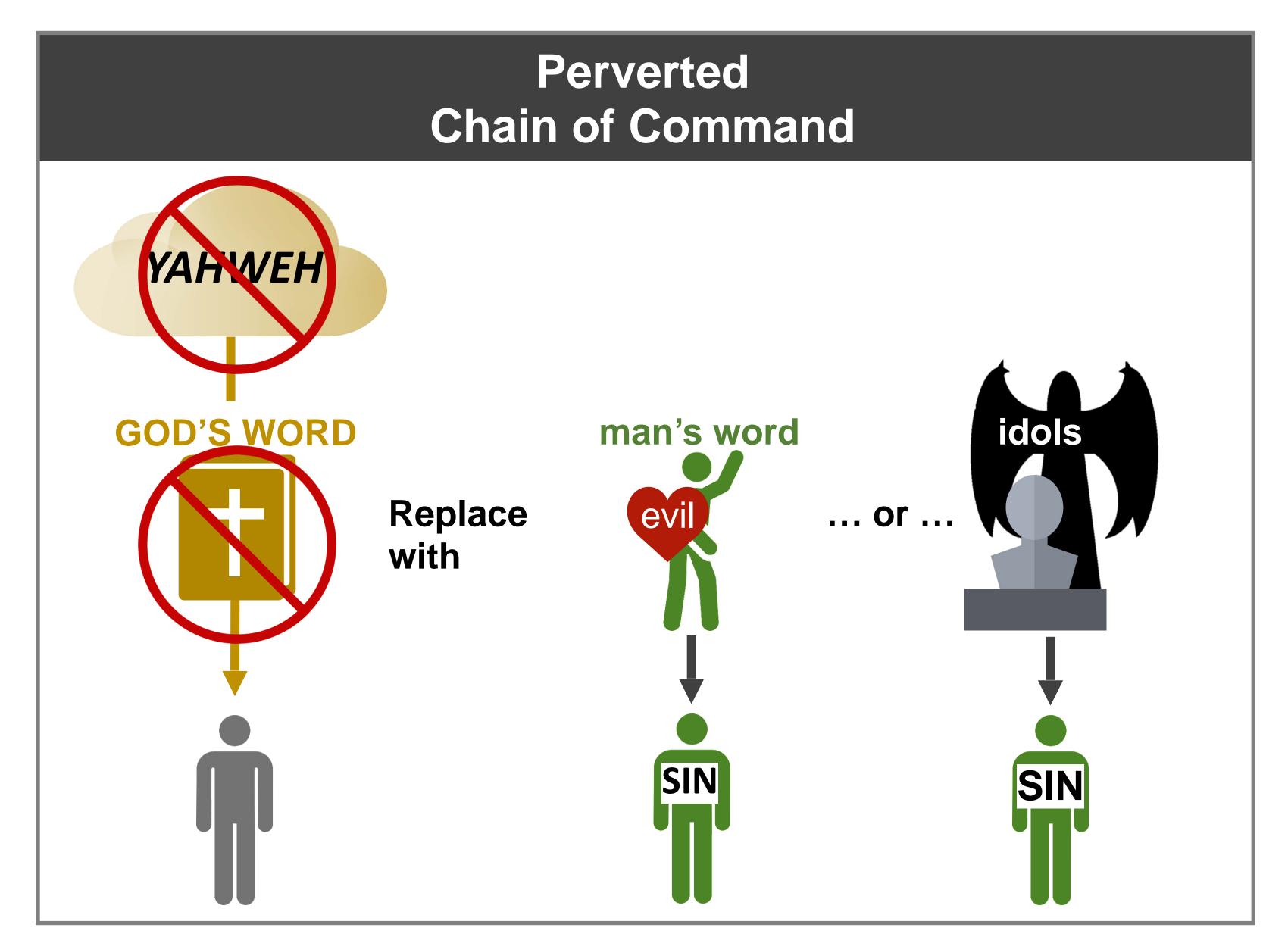
2 Kings 4:8–17

He is God who can heal directly through His prophets.

- 1 Kings 17:17–24;
- 2 Kings 4:18–37

Ahab's response to Yahweh's show of proof.

# A Christian's **Chain of Command** YAHWEH **GOD'S WORD**



#### How God's Own Nation Became Paganized

#### Pagan Kingdom of Man

Based on WORKS

Man would save himself through his own ideas

#### **Kingdom of God**

Based on GRACE God would save man



Babel



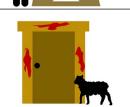


God's restraining hand on the pagan kingdom of man



#### Election

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God saved Israel



#### God built Israel:

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Conquest and Settlement in the Promised Land



#### Kings in Israel:

- Unified kingdom
- Divided kingdom



unbelievers



**Brought in man's ideas** 



Made the king and state all-powerful



**Worshipped idols** 

Few

believers

Northern Kingdom of Israel: 9 different dynasties								
1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5 <sup>th</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup>	<b>7</b> th	8 <sup>th</sup>	9th
1. Jeroboam I	3. Baasha	5. Zimri	6. Omri	10. Jehu	15. Shallum	16. Menahem	18. Pekah	
2. Nadab	4. Elah		7. Ahab	11. Jehoahaz		17. Pekahiah	•	19. Hoshea
			8. Ahaziah	12. Jehoash				
			9. Jehoram	13. Jeroboam l				
				14. Zechariah				

#### Southern Kingdom of Judah: One dynasty—David's

#### **David**

#### Solomon

- 1. Rehoboam
- 2. Abijah
- 3. Asa
- 4. Jehoshaphat
- 5. Jehoram
- 6. Ahaziah
- 7. Athaliah
- 8. Joash
- 9. Amaziah
- 10. Uzziah
- 11. Jotham
- 12. Ahaz
- 13. Hezekiah
- 14. Manasseh
- 15. Amon
- 16. Josiah
- 17. Jehoahaz
- 18. Jehoiakim 19. Jehoiachin 20. Zedekiah

## Sanctification Lessons from God's Disciplining of Israel

1. Prefer the Word of God over the "word of man".

## Which do we prefer? What is our ultimate authority?

### Creator-creature Distinction

1st level CREATOR

YAHWEH'S ALL-TRUE, ALL-KNOWING WORDS



2<sup>nd</sup> level creature



words and ideas?



friends' opinions?



our own interpretation of what we want God's Word to say and mean?

2. Don't doubt God's promises by taking things into our own hands.

3. Walk by faith by considering the great things God has done for us.

1 Sam. 12:24, "Only fear the LORD, and serve Him in truth with all your heart; for consider what great things He has done for you."

- Question: How are we supposed to fear Yahweh and serve Him faithfully?
- Answer: Think of all the wonderful things He has done for us.
- Question: And how do we know what wonderful things Yahweh has done for us? Where do we go to find out about all the wonderful things God has done?
- Answer: The Bible.

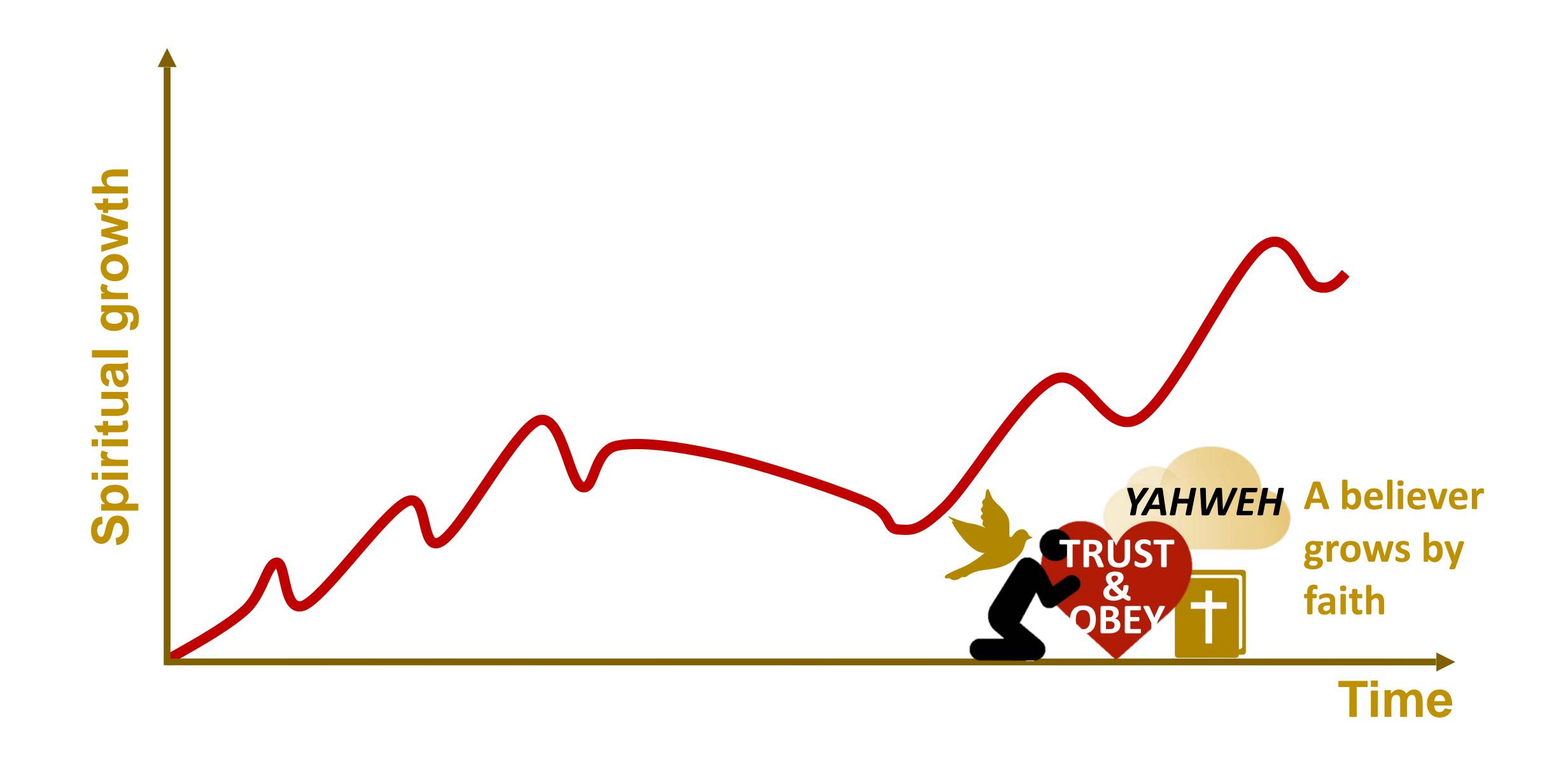
## Biblical faith requires content



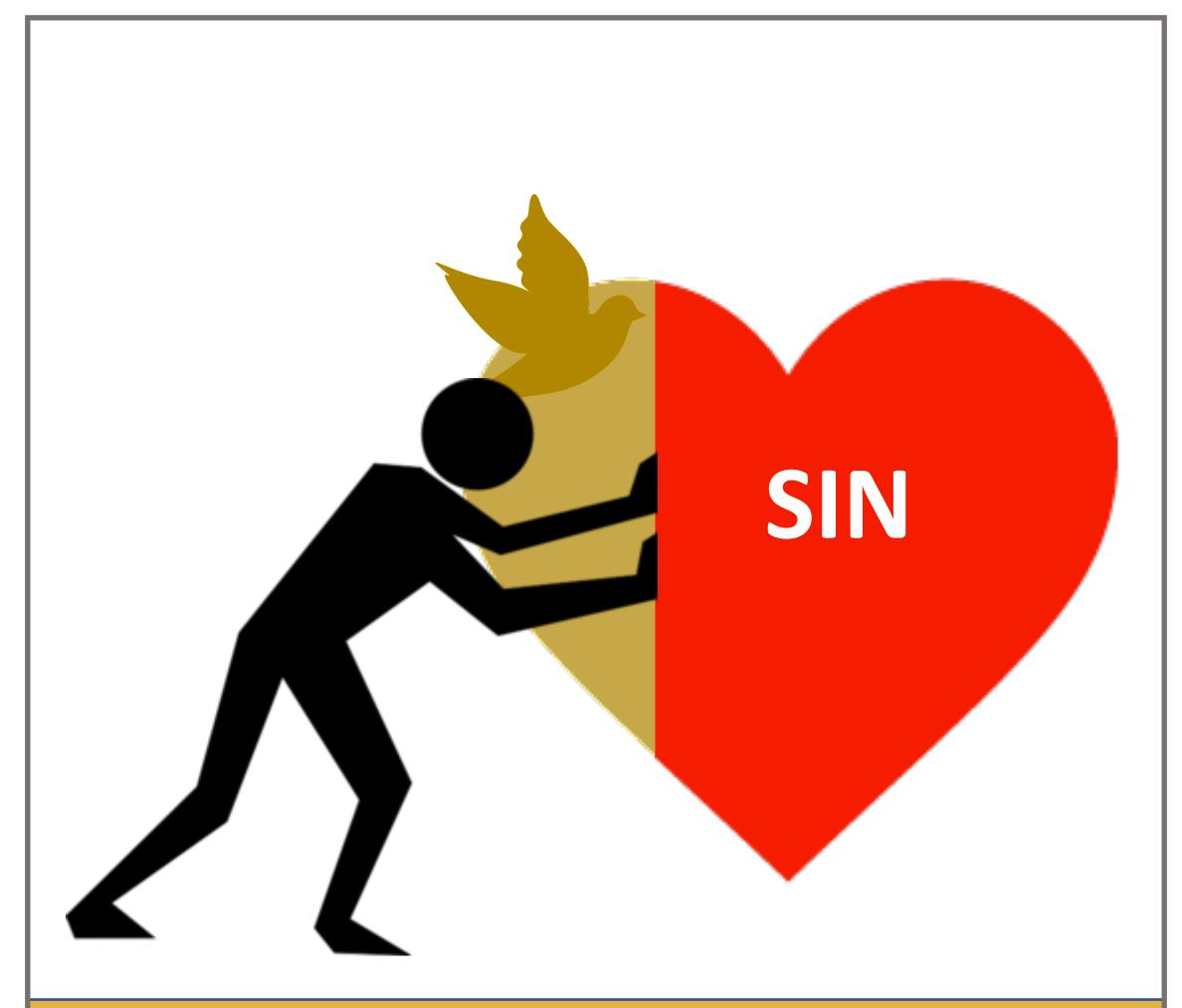








4. Ask God to help us clean out the junk in our lives.



Spiritual War within Ourselves:
God getting rid of sin from
our hearts

Are we able to "stop sinning" on our own?

Psa. 51:7, "Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; Wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Psa. 51:8, "Make me hear joy and gladness, that the bones You have broken may rejoice.

Psa. 51:9, "Hide Your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities.

Psa. 51:10, "Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me."