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THE UNEXPECTED DECREE OF SOVEREIGN PREROGATIVE

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SUSTAINMENT



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STUDY TEXT:

1 Kings 11:26-38 (KJV)

¹ 1 Kings 11:26 And Jeroboam the son of Nebat, an Ephrathite of Zereda, Solomon's servant, whose mother's name was Zeruah, a widow woman, even he lifted up his hand against the king.

²⁷ And this was the cause that he lifted up his hand against the king: Solomon built Millo, and repaired the breaches of the city of David his father.

²⁸ And the man Jeroboam was a mighty man of valour: and Solomon seeing the young man that he was industrious, he made him ruler over all the charge of the house of Joseph.

²⁹ And it came to pass at that time when Jeroboam went out of Jerusalem, that the prophet Ahijah the Shilonite found him in the way; and he had clad himself with a new garment; and they two were alone in the field:

³⁰ And Ahijah caught the new garment that was on him, and rent it in twelve pieces:

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³¹ And he said to Jeroboam, Take thee ten pieces: for thus saith the Lord, the God of Israel, Behold, I will rend the kingdom out of the hand of Solomon, and will give ten tribes to thee:

³² (But he shall have one tribe for my servant David's sake, and for Jerusalem's sake, the city which I have chosen out of all the tribes of Israel:)

³³ Because that they have forsaken me, and have worshipped Ashtoreth the goddess of the Zidonians, Chemosh the god of the Moabites, and Milcom the god of the children of Ammon, and have not walked in my ways, to do that which is right in mine eyes, and to keep my statutes and my judgments, as did David his father.

³⁴ Howbeit I will not take the whole kingdom out of his hand: but I will make him prince all the days of his life for David my servant's sake, whom I chose, because he kept my commandments and my statutes:

³⁵ But I will take the kingdom out of his son's hand, and will give it unto thee, even ten tribes.

³⁶ And unto his son will I give one tribe, that David my servant may have a light alway before me in Jerusalem, the city which I have chosen me to put my name there.

³⁷ And I will take thee, and thou shalt reign according to all that thy soul desireth, and shalt be king over Israel.

APPLICATION POINT:

The sobering prophetic message from the Lord God reinforced the timeless reality that He is both Supreme Sovereign, and will fully enact that which He decrees in Heaven and Earth, and absolutely no one can alter His Will and withstand His Power.

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Albeit often dismissed and denied by the present contemporary perspective that falsely promotes common premise that “God will continue to bless us in spite,” conversely the biblical concept and reality of “provoking Heaven’s disfavor,” is one the has been repeatedly taught throughout the volumes of Scripture, as well as validated by numerous inspired accounts that have document in its timeless pages.

Moreover, even regarding the sound sage instruction that King David had plainly communicated to his son Solomon before his pending departure from this world, he sternly forewarned him in **2 Chronicles 28:9b**, “for the Lord searcheth all hearts, and understandeth all the imaginations of the thoughts: if thou seek him, he will be found of thee; but if thou forsake him, he will cast thee off forever.”

And too, this timeless relationship criteria is yet fully relevant and applicable to “the redeemed” of this present generation.

In **Galatians 6:7-8b**, “Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.

“For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption.”