## **The Lord Removed Israel From His Presence**

2 Kings 14:1-17:41 Key Verse: 17:8a

"So the Lord was very angry with Israel and removed them from his presence."

1. How did the author evaluate Amaziah, king of Judah? (14:1-4) Why didn't he put the sons of his father's assassins to death? (5,6; Dt 24:16) Why did he go war against Jehoash, King of Israel and what was the outcome? (7-14; 2 Ch. 25:14-24) How did the lives of Jehoash and Amaziah end? Who succeeded each to the thrones of Israel and Judah?(15-22)

2. What was the LORD's assessment of Jeroboam II, king of Israel? (23-24) Why then did God help an evil king do something positive? (25-29)

3. What did Azariah, the king of Judah, do right and wrong in the eyes of the Lord? (15:1-7) (What was his other name? (32)) Why did the LORD afflict him with leprosy? (2 Ch. 26:16-21)

4. What was the political state of Israel from Zechariah king of Israel to Pekah king of Israel? (15:8-28) What was the common sin of the kings of Israel? What happened during the reign of Pekah king of Israel? (29-31)

5. Describe the reign of Jotham King of Judah? (15:32-38) Whose ways did Ahaz king of Judah follow? (16:1-4) To whom did he turn for help in the time of crisis? (5-9) What detestable things did he do? (10-20)

6. What was the evaluation of Hoshea, the last king of Israel? (17:1-2) What was the direct cause of Israel's fall? (3-6) What was the fundamental reason for it? (7-23) How serious is it to turn from God and worship idols?

7. What did the immigrants from Assyria learn after living in Samaria? (24-26) How did they fall into smorgasbord (syncretistic?) faith? (27-33) What was their problem? (34-41) How is smorgasbord (syncretistic?) faith dangerous?