

~JEHORAM 3 (240)

(Je-ho'ram) [Yehowah Is High or Exalted]

- The firstborn son of Jehoshaphat who, at the age of 32, became king of Judah.
- Finally Jehoshaphat lay down with his forefathers and was buried with his forefathers in the City of David, and **Jehoram** his son began to reign in place of him. (2 Chronicles 21:1)
- And he had brothers, Jehoshaphat's sons, Azariah and Jehiel and Zechariah and Azariah and Michael and Shephatiah, all these being the sons of Jehoshaphat the king of Israel. (2 Chronicles 21:2)
- Consequently their father gave them many gifts in silver and in gold and in choice things along with fortified cities in Judah, but the kingdom he gave to **Jehoram**, for he was the firstborn. (2 Chronicles 21:3)
- Thirty-two years old was **Jehoram** when he began to reign, and for eight years he reigned in Jerusalem. (2 Chronicles 21:5)
- Thirty-two years old he happened to be when he began to reign, and for eight years he reigned in Jerusalem. Finally he went away without being desired. So they buried him in the City of David, but not in the burial places of the kings. (2 Chronicles 21:20)
- It appears that for a number of years **Jehoram** was in some way associated with his father in the kingship.
- And he gradually died, according to the word of Yehowah that Elijah had spoken, and **Jehoram** began to reign in place of him, in the second year of **Jehoram** the son of Jehoshaphat the king of Judah, because he had not come to have a son. (2 Kings 1:17)
- And in the fifth year of **Jehoram** the son of Ahab the king of Israel, while Jehoshaphat was king of Judah, Jehoram the son of Jehoshaphat the king of Judah became king. (2 Kings 8:16)

- The eight years of rulership credited to **Jehoram** count from **913 B.C.E.**
- Thirty-two years old he happened to be when he became king, and for eight years he reigned in Jerusalem. (**2 Kings 8:17**)
- So during these years both the northern and southern kingdoms had rulers with the same name. They were also brothers-in-law because **Jehoram** of Judah married Athaliah, the daughter of Ahab and Jezebel and sister of Jehoram of Israel.
- And he went walking in the way of the kings of Israel, just as those of the house of Ahab had done, for it was Ahab's daughter that became his wife, and he kept doing what was bad in Yehowah's eyes. (**2 Kings 8:18**)
- In the twelfth year of **Jehoram** the son of Ahab the king of Israel, Ahaziah the son of **Jehoram** the king of Judah became king. (**2 Kings 8:25**)
- Twenty-two years old was Ahaziah when he began to reign, and for one year he reigned in Jerusalem. And his mother's name was Athaliah the granddaughter of Omri the king of Israel. (**2 Kings 8:26**)

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- At least partially because of the bad influence of his wife Athaliah, **Jehoram** did not pursue the righteous ways of his father Jehoshaphat.
- And he went walking in the way of the kings of Israel, just as those of the house of Ahab had done, for it was Ahab's daughter that became his wife, and he kept doing what was bad in Yehowah's eyes. (**2 Kings 8:18**)
- Not only did **Jehoram** murder his six brothers and some of the princes of Judah but he also turned his subjects away from Yehowah to false gods.
- Finally Jehoshaphat lay down with his forefathers and was buried with his forefathers in the City of David, and **Jehoram** his son began to reign in place of him. (**2 Chronicles 21:1**)

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- Consequently their father gave them many gifts in silver and in gold and in choice things along with fortified cities in Judah, but the kingdom he gave to **Jehoram**, for he was the firstborn. (2 Chronicles 21:3)
- When **Jehoram** rose up over the kingdom of his father he proceeded to make his position strong, and so he killed all his brothers with the sword and also some of the princes of Israel. (2 Chronicles 21:4)
- Thirty-two years old was **Jehoram** when he began to reign, and for eight years he reigned in Jerusalem. (2 Chronicles 21:5)
- And he went on walking in the way of the kings of Israel, just as those of the house of Ahab had done, for Ahab's own daughter had become his wife, and he continued to do what was bad in Yehowah's eyes. (2 Chronicles 21:6)
- He himself also had made high places on the mountains of Judah, that he might cause the inhabitants of Jerusalem to have immoral intercourse, and that he might drive Judah away. (2 Chronicles 21:11)
- Eventually there came a writing to him from Elijah the prophet, saying; This is what Yehowah the God of David your forefather has said; Due to the fact that you have not walked in the ways of Jehoshaphat your father or in the ways of Asa the king of Judah. (2 Chronicles 21:12)
- But you walk in the way of the kings of Israel and cause Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem to have immoral intercourse the same way that the house of Ahab caused the having of immoral intercourse, and even your own brothers, the household of your father, who were better than you, you have killed. (2 Chronicles 21:13)
- Look! Yehowah is dealing a great blow to your people and to your sons and to your wives and to all your goods. (2 Chronicles 21:14)

- His whole reign was marred by both internal trouble and external strife. First, Edom rebelled, then Libnah revolted against Judah.
- In his days Edom revolted from under the hand of Judah, and then made a king reign over them. (2 Kings 8:20)
- Consequently **Jehoram** passed over to Zair, also all the chariots with him. And it came about that he himself rose up by night and got to strike down the Edomites that were surrounding him and the chiefs of the chariots, and the people went fleeing to their tents. (2 Kings 8:21)
- But Edom kept up its revolt from under the hand of Judah down to this day. It was then that Libnah began to revolt at that time. (2 Kings 8:22)
- In a letter to **Jehoram**, the prophet Elijah warned; Look! Yehowah is dealing a great blow to your people and to your sons and to your wives and to all your goods.
- Moreover, you, King **Jehoram**, will be with many sicknesses, with a malady of your intestines, until your intestines have come out because of the sickness day by day.
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- Look! Yehowah is dealing a great blow to your people and to your sons and to your wives and to all your goods. (2 Chronicles 21:14)
- And you will be with many sicknesses, with a malady of your intestines, until your intestines have come out because of the

sickness day by day. (2 Chronicles 21:15)

- It all occurred just that way. Yehowah allowed Arabs and Philistines to overrun the land and take **Jehoram's** wives and sons captive. God permitted only Jehoram's youngest son, Jehoahaz, also called Ahaziah, to escape, a concession made, however, only for the sake of the Kingdom covenant made with David.
- After all this Yehowah plagued **Jehoram** in his intestines with a sickness for which there was no healing. Two years later his intestines came out and he gradually died.
- So ended the life of this wicked man, who went away without being desired. He was buried in the City of David, but not in the burial places of the kings. Ahaziah his son became king in his stead.
- And Yehowah did not want to bring the house of David to ruin, for the sake of the covenant that he had concluded with David, and just as he had said he would give him and his sons a lamp always. (2 Chronicles 21:7)
- Accordingly Yehowah aroused against **Jehoram** the spirit of the Philistines and the Arabs that were by the side of the Ethiopians. (2 Chronicles 21:16)
- So they came up into Judah and forced it open and took captive all the goods that were to be found in the king's house and also his sons and his wives, and there was not left to him a son but Jehoahaz, his youngest son. (2 Chronicles 21:17)
- And after all this Yehowah plagued him in his intestines with a sickness for which there was no healing. (2 Chronicles 21:18)
- And it came about that in the days to come, even when the term of two full years had expired, his intestines came out during his sickness, and he gradually died in his bad maladies, and his people did not make a burning for him like the burning for his forefathers. (2 Chronicles 21:19)
- Thirty-two years old he happened to be when he began to reign, and for eight years he reigned in Jerusalem. Finally he went away without being desired. So they buried him in the City of David, but not in the burial places of the kings. (2 Chronicles 21:20)

- Then the inhabitants of Jerusalem made Ahaziah his youngest son king in place of him, for the marauder band that came with the Arabs to the camp had killed all the older ones, and Ahaziah the son of **Jehoram** began to reign as king of Judah. (**2 Chronicles 22:1**)
- And the son of Solomon was Rehoboam, Abijah his son, Asa his son, Jehoshaphat his son. (**1 Chronicles 3:10**)
- **Jehoram** his son, Ahaziah his son, Jehoash his son. (**1 Chronicles 3:11**)