

19.4 1 Kings 11-17

Use in conjunction with the Student Manual

Student Name:

Read 1 Kings 11:1–2, looking for a commandment from the Lord that Solomon did not obey.

According to verse 2, what warning had the Lord previously given about what would happen to Israelites who married outside the covenant?

Read 1 Kings 11:3–8, looking for the result of Solomon’s decision to marry wives who were not part of the covenant.

1. a. In what ways can marrying outside the covenant place us in a situation that compromises our opportunity to receive the full blessings of the restored gospel of Jesus Christ?

b. Why do you want to marry someone who will help you stay faithful to the Lord and your covenants?

Read 1 Kings 11:9–11, looking for what happened as a result of Solomon’s disobedience.

Read 1 Kings 11:26–28, looking for who else began to oppose Solomon.

Read 1 Kings 11:29–31, looking for what the prophet Ahijah taught about Jeroboam’s future role in Israel. What did the 10 pieces of fabric that Ahijah gave Jeroboam represent?

Read 1 Kings 11:37–38, looking for what the Lord promised Jeroboam if he kept the commandments as king.

2. If possible, teach a family member or friend how Solomon’s choice to marry outside the covenant eventually led him to worship idols. Explain that after Solomon’s death, the kingdom of Israel was divided into two kingdoms. With your family member or friend, read through the following summary for each kingdom and the assigned verses, and then discuss the accompanying question. When you have completed the assignment, have your family member or friend sign your scripture study journal to show that you finished this assignment. If a family member or friend is not available, complete this assignment by yourself.

Read 1 Kings 14:7–9, 14–16, looking for the consequences that would come upon Jeroboam and the ten tribes of Israel because of their idol worship.

Read 1 Kings 14:21–24, looking for the spiritual state of the people in Judah.

How were the people in the Southern Kingdom of Judah affected by Solomon’s disobedience, including his choice to marry outside the covenant and worship his wives’ false gods?

3.a. How could choosing to marry outside the covenant affect those who come after us?

b. How could worshipping anything or anyone other than our Father in Heaven and His Son, Jesus Christ, lead us astray?

4. Write how the truths in this lesson can help you explain why Church leaders counsel us to prepare and plan for being sealed in marriage in the temple.

Complete the following principle about what happens when we choose to turn away from the Lord: If we turn away from the Lord, then ...

What can you do today to turn more fully toward the Lord?

Read 1 Kings 17:8–16, looking for how the Lord provided for Elijah after the brook dried up.

5. Additional questions, thoughts, and insights I would like to share with my teacher:
