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Headings

Prophet forbids altars; altar consumes Prophets. Man of God disobeys, is struck down.

Disobedient prophet struck by lightning.

Short Summaries

A man of God is disobeyed and as a result, is killed by a lion. The man's body is then taken away and buried by another prophet.

A man of God comes to Jeroboam and tells him that the altar he has built will be destroyed and a son of his will be the one to destroy it. The man of God is later killed by a lion.

Summaries

A man from Judah is visited by an old man from Bethel who prophesies that Jeroboam's sinful ways will lead to disaster. The old man is later killed by a lion.

The chapter opens with the story of a man from Judah who goes to Bethel and is tricked by an old prophet there into disobeying God. The man from Judah is then struck with a curse and dies. The chapter ends with a warning against prophets who lead people astray.

Application Questions

What can we learn from the man of God's example about obedience to the Lord's commands? (v._20__23)

How did the old prophet's deception cause the man of God's death? (y_22)

What led the man of God from Judah to disobey the word of the Lord and eat at the prophet's table in Bethel? (v_18)

What was the outcome of the dispute between the old prophet and the man of God's disciples? (y_24-32)

What happened to the prophet's body after the man of God's disciples buried it? (v_28-29)

What can we learn from this story about the consequences of disobedience to the Lord? (v_30-32)

Why was the man of God's disobedience so serious that the Lord immediately killed him? (y_19)

How can we avoid being deceived by false prophets like the one in Bethel? (v. 33)

Exegetical Questions

How does the Man of God from Judah's response to the old prophet's test illustrate his obedience to God?

What can we learn from the Man of God from Judah's story about the importance of heeding God's warnings?

How does the Man of God from Judah's story illustrate the power of God's Word?

What can we learn from the Man of God from Judah's example about falseprophets?

Why did the Man of God from Judah prophesy against the altar in Bethel?

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What can we learn from the Man of God from Judah's story about the consequences of disobedience to God?

What does the Man of God from Judah's example teach us about obedience to God?

What can we learn from the Man of God from Judah's story about the importance of being careful to follow God's instructions?

Observation Questions

Why did the man of God from Judah not listen to the old prophet?

How did the old prophet persuade the man of God

Why did the old prophet deceitfully say that an angel had told him?

from Judah to come home with him?

What was the consequence of the man of God from Judah's disobedience?

What caused the man of God from Judah to disobey the word of the Lord?

How did the old prophet know that the man of God from Judah had disobeyed the word of the Lord?

What happened when the man of God from Judah ate at the old prophet's house?

Why did the old prophet's wife lie about her husband's message?

Group Discussion Questions

What did the king say in verse 7?

What did the man of God say in <u>yerse</u> 3?

What did the man of God do in response in <u>verse</u> 8?

What did the king ask the man of God in yerse 5?

What does <u>verse 2</u> say about the sign the man of God gave to Jeroboam?

What did the man of God say in response in verse 6?

What does <u>verse</u> 1 say about the man of God from Judah?

What happened to the altar in verse 9?

Prayers Based on 1 Kings 13

Thank you, God, for the man of Judah's willingness to obey you.

Thank you, God, for the man of Judah's faithfulness to you.

Thank you, God, for sending the man of Judah to stand up for your truth.

Thank you, God, for the courage of the man of Judah to speak your word.

Thank you, God, for using the man of Judah to proclaim your message.

Journal Prompts

Do you think the man of God was right to obey the word of the Lord and not turn back even when asked by an old prophet?

How would you feel if you were the man of God from Judah and you saw the altar that Jeroboam had built?

What do you think would have happened if the man of God had listened to the old prophet and gone back with him?

What would you do if you were the man of God and the king asked you to come and eat with him?

What do you think would have happened if the man of God had eaten bread or drunk water in the city of Bethel?

How would you feel if you were the man of God and you saw the priest offerings sacrifices to the golden calves?

What would you say if you were the man of God and the king asked you to prophesy against the altar in Bethel?

What do you think the man of God meant when he said, "it shall be that the altar shall be split in two and the ashes that are on it shall be poured out"?

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