

“Jeroboam’s Religion”

Lesson Text: **1 Kings 12:33.**

I. Jeroboam’s Motivation

- **1 Kings 12:25-28.**
- His Motivation Was Not To Glorify and Honor God.
- His Motivation Was To Keep Power And Remaining The King.
- Selfish and Self-Centered Motivations.

Notes: _____.

II. Jeroboam’s Willingness To Change God’s Order.

- **1 Kings 12:29-32.**
- He Was Fully Willing To Make Any Changes That He Could Do.
- The Problem: God Did Not Allow These Changes. **Deuteronomy 4:2.**
- No King, No Religious Leader (Priest, High Priest, or Anyone....)
 - **Deuteronomy 17:18-20; Leviticus 10:1-3.**

Notes: _____.

III. How Jeroboam Was Able To Make These Changes?

- He Appealed To Their Sense Of Comfort and Convenience- **Vs. 28.**
- He Appealed To Their Need For Worship- **Vs. 28; Exodus 32:4.**
- He Appealed To Their Pride- **1 Kings 12:16-20.**
- He Appealed To Their Nostalgia- **Vs. 29.**
- He Appealed That All These Changes Were Good.
- The Bottom Line: He Gave The People What They Wanted.

Notes: _____.

IV. The Parallels To Jeroboam And Modern Changes.

- The Motivations Of Religious Leaders Today.
 - How Do Men Make Things Convenient Today? Give People What They Want.
- Religious Leaders Make Changes To Work And Worship.
 - Instrumental Music, Women Preachers and Deacons, Moderators....
 - Once You Open the Door To Change, It’s Hard To Stop.
 - Several Kings After Jeroboam Walked In His Sins- **1 Kings 16:19; 25; 30-31.**
- Religious Leaders Claim These Changes Are Good.
- If God Called What Jeroboam Did Sin, What About Today?

Conclusion: Why We Study Bible Authority and Hold To The Pattern!

Colossians 3:17; 2 Thessalonians 2:15.