

there and done this compromise with Ahab--just one little mistake that didn't much effect the great good of his life. What was the result of the one mistake? The result was that ~~thixxxx~~ his son married Ahab's daughter and that the Baal worship was ~~brantxx~~ brought right down into Judah after the death of Jehoshaphat. Of course, no ~~omx~~ one would dare bring it down as long as Jehoshaphat was living, but when the great old man was dead, then the children of Jehoshaphat departed from his way and followed the way of the strong-willed woman who had come down from Israel. If it had not been for the marvelous intervention of God in saving the life of the little baby Joash and making it possible for the high priest to raise up a conspiracy that would put Athaliah out of her power, humanly speaking the whole ^{witness} kingdom of Judah would have been destroyed. All as a result of the compromise which the good king Jehoshaphat did on ~~th~~s one point.

Well, now we have then these then these four chapters about the reign of Jehoshaphat, the 20th chapter is a very interesting detailed account of his time when the Lord delivered him when he was trusting the Lord instead of trusting alliances with wicked people. God showed that God could defend the one who was true to Him and would do it far better than man could defend himself by alliances with that which was unGodly. T

Then in the 21st chapter we have considerable details about his son Jehoram.

(Question) You will find that this further instance of the same thing. He joined with him to make ships to go to Tarshish, ships down in Ezion Geber. This was a case where it was down in Judah's territory. Down south of Judah there. Down there Jehoshaphat wants to make this great undertaking of building these ships but he doesn't have enough capital to carry it through satisfactorily. There was the great undertaking when Solomon did it. So now Jehoshaphat thinks he will float a loan from the unGodly to help in his venture. He is not going in this case actually to fight with Ahab--anything like that. But he is going to take Ahab's son into the venture on a partnership basis. So he joins with him to make these ships down far south of Judah there but the whole venture comes to nothing. The