

We finished, I believe, with our discussion of the reign of Jeroboam. We mentioned as "do" Jeroboam and Ahijah and noted the denunciation which Ahijah gave of Jeroboam and the declaration that his entire house would come to an end. The house of David was to continue because of David's loyalty to the Lord, but ~~xxx~~ the house of Jeroboam ~~might~~ which might have moved forward was to come to an end. Some people find a contradiction here. There are people who think that in the New Testament we have the Lord Jesus Christ offering a kingdom ~~to~~ to Israel and that since the Israelites ~~objected~~ rejected Him; therefore He went to the cross. We have other people who say that such a view is absolutely contrary to the Calvinistic teaching of the Word of God. Now I'm not a bit interested at this moment in going into the question whether Christ offered a kingdom to Israel ~~to~~ or not. That is a different matter all together, but I'm referring to that at this point simply to raise this matter of principle--supposing that someone holds that ~~God~~ ~~Christ~~ Christ offered a kingdom, an earthly kingdom, to the Jews and that the Jews could have accepted that. Is that contrary to the teaching of this book about the sovereignty of God? On that particular point which is all I'm speaking of at the moment we must say definitely that it would not be. On that particular point such an argument would be very falacious because, if such an argument were adhered to in relation to that, it would refer to every act of life. It is, of course, clearly taught in the Scripture that God is sovereign, that God has established and controls all things, and that God knows the end from the beginning, and that everything is in accordance with His will; but it is just as clearly ~~taught~~ taught in the Scripture that we are responsible for our deeds, and that when we make a choice, we make a real choice and that it is not ~~just~~ just a ~~farce~~ farce. We make choices and we have responsibility for our choice. It is taught in the Scripture that God sincerely offers salvation to every human being who will believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and makes that plain. That is a sincere offer of salvation on the part of the Lord Jesus Christ to everyone who will believe on Him and at the same time God has predestinated from the foundation of the world those who will believe on Him. These truths are clearly taught in