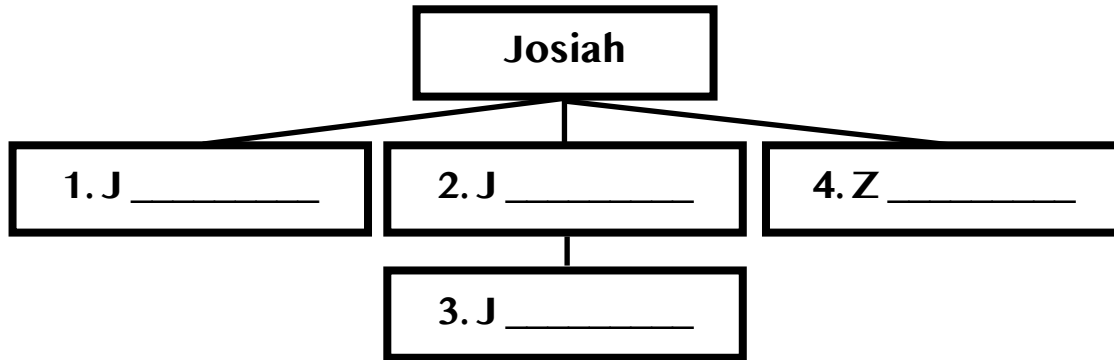


Class #17 - Eagles, Vines, & Lions

Objectives:

- Name the last four kings of Judah and what happened to them.
- Tell the story of the eagles and the vine and what it represents.
- Draw one lesson for us from the political situation of Judah's last days.

Review - The Last Kings of Judah



Two Eagles and a Vine (Ezekiel 17)

- This is called a _____ and a _____. (17:1-2) Is there a difference?
- The story (fable) (17:3-10)
 - A great eagle plucks off the top of a _____ from _____, taking it to a land of merchants. (17:3-4)
 - He also takes a seed, plants it in _____ soil, near _____ waters. (17:5)
 - It becomes a spreading _____, reaching branches toward the _____. (17:6)
 - Another _____ comes along, and the vine reaches out toward him. (17:7-8)
 - Question: Will it thrive? Answer: _____. The eagle will pull it up and cut it off, so that it will _____. (17:9-10)
- The history (17:11-18)
 - The King of Babylon took the king in Jerusalem (_____) away, and put another as king (_____) in his place. (17:12-13)
 - Though he was under oath, he rebelled and turned to _____. (17:14-15)
 - Question: Will he succeed? Answer: _____. Pharaoh will offer him no help and he will die in _____. (17:16-18)

- The theology (17:19-21)
 - Why does God say that Zedekiah committed this act against Him?
 - See 2 Chronicles 36:13
- The hope (17:22-24)
 - What does God plan to do?

Lament for the Princes (Ezekiel 19)

- This is called a _____, or a _____ song. (19:1)
- First movement (19:1-9)
 - A lioness raises one of her cubs to _____, until he is _____ by the nations and taken to _____. (19:2-4)
 - This is probably referring to _____.
 - So, she raises another cub, who devours men and destroys _____, until he to is _____ and taken to _____. (19:5-9)
 - This is probably referring to _____.
- Second movement (19:10-14)
 - Jerusalem now pictured as a vine that is _____, until it is _____ up and planted in the _____. (19:10-13)
 - Fire comes from one of the branches to consume the whole vine, so there is no one to _____ rule anymore. (19:14)
 - This is probably referring to _____.

Closing Question (Ezekiel 17 & 19)

What do these two chapters teach us about our view of nations/rulers?