

## ***"No King But God"***

*Sunday Morning Message by Ray Reynolds (November 24, 2013)*

Introduction: What if the U.S.A. had kings instead of presidents? Did you know that George Washington was asked to be king of America during the Revolutionary War? Why did he refuse? There was a motto during the war: "No king, but King Jesus." God's people needed a motto like that: "No king but King God." The human kings got the nation into a heap of trouble. What would happen to the people? Let's study together.....

Discussion:

### ***I. The Fall of the Northern Kingdom***

- A. God warned His people of calamity (**II Kings 17:13**).
- B. God warned His people of idolatry (**II Kings 17:14-17**).
- C. God warned His people of separation (**II Kings 17:18**).

### ***II. The Endurance of the Southern Kingdom***

- A. The faith of the good kings (**II Kings 18:19, 19:15-19, 35-37**).
- B. The ignorance of the evil kings (**II Kings 21:1-18, Isaiah 3, 14**).
- C. The cycle of sin.

### ***III. The Promise of an Eternal Kingdom***

- A. God will keep His promise to bring the Messiah through Judah (**Isaiah 49:23, 29**).
- B. God will keep His promise to bring the Messiah to the cross (**Isaiah 53**).
- C. God will keep His promise to build an everlasting kingdom (**Joel 2:28-32, Isaiah 2:2-4, Micah 4:1-3, Daniel 2:44, Acts 2:14-36**).

Conclusion: We have a simple challenge: to live the motto "No king but King Jesus!" Jesus exhorted us to seek God's kingdom first (**Matthew 6:33**). We need to have Jesus on the throne of our lives and live out this motto every day! Will you declare Him as the Lord of your life?