

# Little Hands, Big Hearts

## *Worship for the Family*

*Week 41 - The People Worship Idols*



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### Getting Started

Encourage everyone to get their minds focused and prepared for studying the Bible. Consider singing a song or two. I have uploaded a teen songbook that we use at camp. Perhaps you will spot some songs that are familiar and you can sing together as a family. Click [here](#) to download the songbook.

### Review

The main people in last week's study were Rehoboam and Jeroboam. These two men were not characters in a story, they were real people who lived long ago, a fact that can be historically documented. Who was Rehoboam? Who was Jeroboam?

Rehoboam had a difficult decision to make. What was that decision? Which two groups did Rehoboam turn to for advice? Which group did Rehoboam follow? What was the reaction of the people?

### Devotional Thought

A quick warning, this text could be troubling to younger children. Hearing about a child dying can be a troublesome thing for younger readers and adults too. The key in this text is remembering that God's people live in an imperfect world. Bad things happen to good and bad people. Jeroboam's son didn't get sick because of his father's poor decisions. Please pre-read this text to see if this is a subject your kids are ready to examine.

READ 1 Kings 14:1-20

I don't know about you, but there is a certain comfort in knowing that the people in the Bible were a bunch of flawed people just like me. I take comfort in knowing that God was patient with the people in the Old Testament and the New Testament. But there is also a sobering reminder that a time for giving account comes for all of us.

What does Jeroboam ask his wife to do? Does she go along with it? Who does she go to visit? What are we told about this prophet of God? Was it a good idea to try and fool a man who is directly connected to God?

What evil had the Israelites participated in? Who led them in worshipping idols and not God?

### Conclusion

The Bible is filled with challenging texts that might be disturbing to our modern minds. What is the value in knowing and studying the entire Bible?



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