

# 2 Kings 15:9

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

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## Analysis

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**And he did that which was evil in the sight of the LORD, as his fathers had done: he departed not from the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel to sin.**

This verse contributes to the overall theme of chapter 15: Political chaos reveals spiritual bankruptcy. The divine name emphasizes Yahweh's covenant relationship with Israel and His sovereign control over historical events. This passage occurs during the decline toward Israel's exile, demonstrating how persistent covenant unfaithfulness leads to national disaster.

The narrative demonstrates God's justice in judging covenant unfaithfulness while maintaining His ultimate purposes for redemption.

## Historical Context

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**Historical Setting:** 2 Kings 15 takes place during the declining years of the northern kingdom, 8th century BCE, culminating in exile in 722 BCE. The chapter's theme (Rapid Succession and Instability) reflects the historical reality of progressive political instability and external threats, particularly from Aram (Syria) and later Assyria. Archaeological evidence from this period includes royal inscriptions, administrative documents, and material culture that corroborate the

biblical account while providing additional context for understanding the political and social dynamics at work.

## Related Passages

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**Genesis 1:1** — Creation of heavens and earth

**Psalms 19:1** — Heavens declare God's glory

## Study Questions

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1. How does this verse contribute to understanding the theological message of 2 Kings 15 regarding political chaos reveals spiritual bankruptcy?
2. What does this passage reveal about God's character, particularly His justice, mercy, and faithfulness to covenant promises?
3. In what practical ways should this text shape contemporary Christian thinking about faithfulness, worship, and obedience to God?

## Interlinear Text

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עָשָׂה וְ	דָּבָר	בְּעֵינֵי י	יְהוָה	כָּאֵשׁ ר	עָשָׂה וְ
And he did	that which was evil	in the sight	of the LORD	H834	And he did
H6213	H7451	H5869	H3068		H6213
אֲבֹתָיו	לֹא	סָר	מִחַטָּאוֹת	יָרֵבֶעַם	בֶּן
as his fathers	H3808	he departed	not from the sins	of Jeroboam	the son
H1		H5493	H2403	H3379	H1121
נָבָט	אֵשׁ ר	הִחֲטָא יֵא	אֶת	יִשְׂרָאֵל:	
of Nebat	H834	to sin	H853	who made Israel	
H5028		H2398		H3478	

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