Series: The Story of the Old Testament

Lesson: The Story of North Israel

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## The Lifespan of North Israel

North Israel begins its life as a nation in <u>930 BCE</u>

North Israel comes to an end in - <u>722 BCE</u>

North Israel lasts for = 208 years

## Three Observations on the Story of North Israel

1. North Israel was plagued by political turmoil.

2. North Israel was plagued by the moral failure of her leaders.

3. God sent many prophets to North Israel (3 types)

Type One: Zealot (fanatic) who leads the charge against false gods.

Example: Elijah

Famous Story: Elijah and the prophets of Baal at Mt. Carmel.

Type Two: Mighty miracle worker

Example: Elisha

Famous Story: The flow of oil and the floating axe head.

Type Three:

Examples: Hosea and Amos

Famous Texts:

Amos 1:1; 2:6-8; 4:4-8 Hosea 1:1; 4:1-3; 11:1-9

## The Downfall of North Israel

- 1. In <u>722 BCE</u> Assyria conquers the capital of North Israel.
- 2. Many, but not all of the people were taken into Captivity.
- 3. For practical purposes, the nation of North Israel ceases to exist.