



Hear from Heaven ...and Forgive

2 Chronicles 6





vv. 1-11 = The transient is made permanent.

vv. 12-17 = God “keeps” the Davidic Covenant.

vv. 18-21 = The Temple: where Heaven meets earth.

vv. 22-23 = Obey Torah by loving your neighbor.

vv. 24-25 = Victory is found where worship abounds.

vv. 26-27 = God “answers” with healing rain.

2 Chronicles 6 – In Review

The background of the slide features a detailed biblical illustration. On the right side, a priest in a white robe with a purple sash stands with his arms raised in prayer, facing a large, ornate golden vessel that appears to be a censer or incense burner, from which smoke is rising. To the left of the priest, a large crowd of people, mostly men wearing white head coverings, are gathered, looking towards the priest and the vessel. The scene is set within a temple or a similar sacred space, with architectural details like columns visible in the background.

2 Chronicles 6 – In Review

“...if they pray toward this place and acknowledge Your name and turn from their sin, when You afflict// (ANSWER) them, then hear in heaven and forgive the sin of Your servants...”

→ 2 Chronicles 6:26

“Answer me, O LORD, answer me, that this people may know that You, O LORD, are God, and that You have turned their hearts back.”

→ 1 Kings 18:37



2 Chronicles 6:28-31

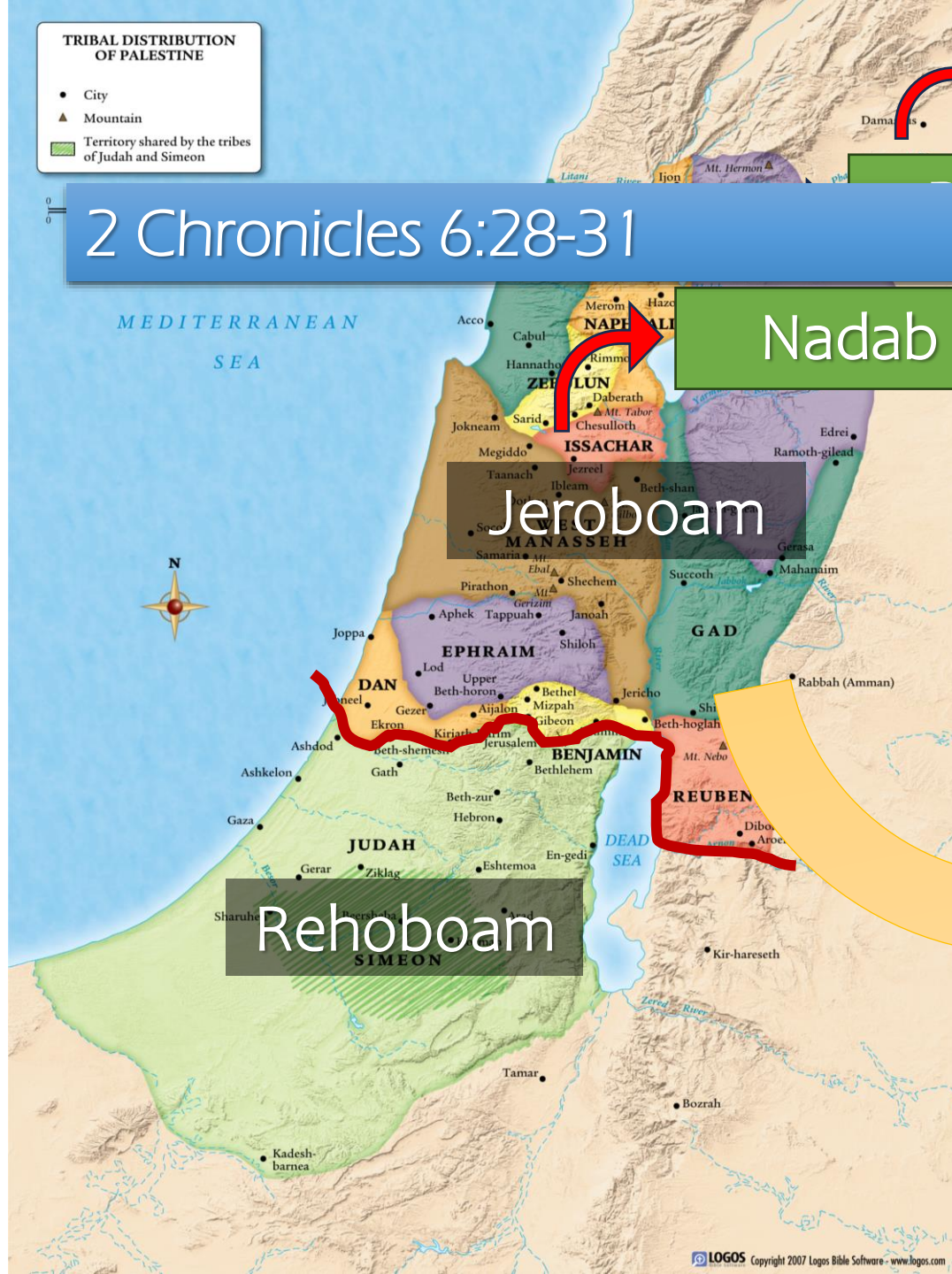
“While the second and third scenarios were concerned with disasters caused by humans or nature, this fourth scenario encompasses various types of disaster ...before stating the catchall ‘whatever disaster or disease there is.’ ...No reference is made to repentance or praise, but simply to prayer by raising one’s hands toward the Temple.”

Cornerstone Biblical Commentary Series: 1 Chronicles & 2 Chronicles
by Mark Boda, 2010.

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- City
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- Territory shared by the tribes of Judah and Simeon

2 Chronicles 6:28-31



Elah

Zimri

Omri

Shab

Nadab

Asa

Joram

Jehu

Jehoahaz

Jehoash

Rehoboam

Jeroboam

722 B.C. ...off to captivity they go!

Jeroboam

Shallum

Menahem

Pekahiah

Pekah

Hoshea



2 Chronicles 6:28-31

“God is requested to ‘deal with each man according to all he does, since you know his heart [for you alone know the hearts of men].’ God is a God of justice and deals with people as individuals. The prayer of the nation (the people Israel) is in the final analysis the prayer of the needy individual.”

The New American Commentary Series: 1, 2 Chronicles
by John Thompson, 1994.



2 Chronicles 6:28-31

“Because he holds fast to Me in love, I will deliver him; I will protect him, because he knows My name. When he calls to Me, I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble; I will rescue him and honor him. With long life I will satisfy him and show him My salvation.”

Psalms 91:14-16

