## Chapter 14

Amafias king of Iuda killeth those that had flaine his father, 7. and striketh Edom. 8. Prouoking Ioas king of Israel to warre, receiveth a contemtible answer: 11. prouoking againe is beaten in battle, and Ierusalem is ransact. 15. Ioas dieth and his sonne Ieroboam soloweth the bad steppes of the first Ieroboam; yet recovereth manie places lost before. And dying his sonne Zacharias reigneth.

n the fecond yeare of Ioas the fonne of Ioachaz the king of Ifrael reigned Amasias the sonne of Ioas the king of Iuda. <sup>2</sup> Fiue and twentie yeares old was he when he began to reigne: and nine and twentie yeares he reigned in Ierufalem, the name of his mother was Ioadan of Ierufalem. <sup>3</sup> And he did right before our Lord, but yet not as Dauid his father. He did according to al thinges, which Ioas his father did: 4 but this onlie that he tooke not away the excelses: for yet the people immolated, and burnt incense in the excelses. <sup>5</sup> And when he obtayned the kingdom, he fmote his feruantes, which had flaine the king his father: 6 but their children that killed him, he did not put to death, according to that which is written in the booke of the law of Moyfes, as our Lord commanded, faying: The fathers fhal not die for the children, neither shal the children die for the fathers: but euerie one shal die in his owne finne. <sup>7</sup>He fmote Edom in the Vail of Salt pittes ten thousand, and tooke the rocke in battel, and called the name therof, lectehel vntil this prefent daye. 8 Then Amafias fent meffengers to Ioas the fonne of Ioachaz, the fonne of Iehu the king of Ifrael, faying: Come, a)let vs fee one an other. 9 And Ioas the king of Ifrael fent agayne to Amafias the king of Iuda faying: A thiftle of Libanus fent to a cedar tree, which is in Libanus, faying: Geue thy daughter to my fonne to wife. And the beaftes of the forest, that are

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Amongft kinges being at variance, Seing one an other importeth, as much as to fight a battle.

in Libanus, paffed and trode the thiftle. <sup>10</sup> Thou ftriking haft preuayled ouer Edom, and thy hart hath puffed thee vp: be content with the glorie, and fit in thy house: Why prouokeft thou euil, that thou mayft fal and Iuda with thee. 11 And Amafias agreed not. And Ioas the king of Ifrael went vp, and they faw eche other, he and Amafias the king of Iuda in Bethfames a towne of Iuda. <sup>12</sup> And Iuda was ftrooken before Ifrael, and euerie man fled into their tabernacles. <sup>13</sup> But Ioas the king of Ifrael did take Amafias the king of Iuda the fonne of Ioas, the fonne of Ochozias, in Bethfames, and brought him into Ierufalem: and he brake downe the wal of Ierufalem, from the gate of Ephraim vnto the gate of the corner, fowre hundred cubites. <sup>14</sup> And he tooke all the gold, and filter, and all the veffel, that were found in the house of our Lord, and in the kinges treafures, and hoftages, and returned into Samaria. <sup>15</sup> But the reft of the wordes of Ioas which he did, and his ftrength, wherwith he fought against Amasias the king of Iuda, are not these thinges writen in the Booke of the wordes of the daies of the kinges of Ifrael? <sup>16</sup> And Ioas flept with his fathers, and was buried in Samaria with the kinges of Ifrael: & Ieroboam his fonne reigned for him. <sup>17</sup> And Amafias the fonne of Ioas the king of Iuda liued, after that Ioas the fonne of Ioachaz the king of Ifrael was dead, fifetene yeares. <sup>18</sup> But the reft of the wordes of Amafias, are not these thinges writen in the Booke of the wordes of the daies of the kinges of Iuda? 19 And there was a conspiracie made against him in Ierusalem: but he fled into Lachis. And they fent after him into Lachis, and killed him there. <sup>20</sup> And they caried him away vpon horfes, and he was buried in Ierufalem with his fathers in the Citie of Dauid. <sup>21</sup> And al the people of Iuda tooke Azarias fixtene yeares old, and made him king for his father Amafias. <sup>22</sup> He built Ælath, and reftored it to Iuda, after that the king flept with his fathers. <sup>23</sup> In the fiftenth years of Amasias the sonne of Ioas the king of Iuda, reigned Ieroboam the fonne of Ioas the king of Ifrael in Samaria, one and fourtie yeares: 24 and he did that which is euil before our Lord. He departed not from

al the finnes of Ieroboam the fonne of Nabat, who made Ifrael to finne. <sup>25</sup> He reftored the borders of Ifrael from the entrance of Emath, vnto the Sea of the wilderneffe, according to the word of our Lord the God of Ifrael, which he fpake by his feruat Ionas the fonne of Amathi, the prophete, who was of Geth, which is in Opher. <sup>26</sup> For our Lord faw the affliction of Ifrael exceding bitter, and that they were confumed vnto the imprifoned & meanest persons, and that there was none to helpe Ifrael. <sup>27</sup> Neither did our Lord determine that he would deftroy the name of Ifrael from vnder heauen, but he faued them in the hand of Ieroboam the fonne of Ioas. 28 But the reft of the wordes of Ieroboam, and al that he did, and his ftrength, wherwith he fought, and how he reftored Damafcus, and Emath to Iuda in Ifrael, are not these thinges writen in the Booke of the wordes of the daies of the kinges of Ifrael? <sup>29</sup> And Ieroboam flept with his fathers the kinges of Ifrael, and Zacharias his fonne, reigned for him.