

## 1 Kings 11:4-15 (New International Readers Version)

<sup>4</sup> As Solomon grew older, his wives turned his heart toward other gods. He didn't follow the LORD his God with all his heart. So he wasn't like his father David. <sup>5</sup> Solomon worshiped Ashtoreth. Ashtoreth was the female god of the Sidonians. He also worshiped Molek. Molek was the god of the Ammonites. The LORD hated that god. <sup>6</sup> Solomon did what was evil in the sight of the LORD. He didn't completely obey the LORD. He didn't do what his father David had done.

<sup>7</sup> There is a hill east of Jerusalem. Solomon built a high place for worshiping Chemosh there. He built a high place for worshiping Molek there too. Chemosh was the god of Moab. Molek was the god of Ammon. The LORD hated both of those gods. <sup>8</sup> Solomon also built high places so that all his wives from other nations could worship their gods. Those women burned incense and offered sacrifices to their gods.

<sup>9</sup> The LORD became angry with Solomon. That's because his heart had turned away from the LORD, the God of Israel. He had appeared to Solomon twice. <sup>10</sup> He had commanded Solomon not to worship other gods. But Solomon didn't obey the LORD. <sup>11</sup> So the LORD said to Solomon, "You have chosen not to keep my covenant. You have decided not to obey my rules. I commanded you to do what I told you. But you did not do it. So you can be absolutely sure I will tear the kingdom away from you. I will give it to one of your officials. <sup>12</sup> But I will not do that while you are still living. Because of your father David I will wait. I will tear the kingdom out of your son's hand. <sup>13</sup> But I will not tear the whole kingdom away from him. I will give him one of the tribes because of my servant David. I will also do it because of Jerusalem. That is the city I have chosen." Children's Bulletin July 9, 2023 Solomon: The Unfaithful King Pastor Todd Johnson

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