

-Study of Isaiah Background –

1 & 2 Kings – the Book of Kings tells about the history of Israel in three phases –

First – The United Kingdom of Israel under Solomon

Second – The divided kingdom – Israel (North) and Judah (South)

Third – Judah alone to the fall of Jerusalem

2nd Kings 17 – Samaria destroyed

Samaria, the capital of the Northern Kingdom, fell to the invading Assyrians because the people sinned against God

Chapter 17:1-41 – the end of Israel, origin of the Samaritans

17:7-18 – most important verses

17:21-23 – summary

17:24-28 – the land was no longer Israel but instead Samaria

17:29-34a – the worship of the Lord is contaminated

17:34b-40 – attitude toward Samaritans continued into the New Testament