

I. The cause of the king's fall (vv. 1-13)

- A. The cause: Solomon's heart was divided (vv. 1-8)
- B. The effect: Solomon's kingdom was divided (vv. 9-13)

II. The Divine orchestration of the king's fall (vv. 14-40)

- A. Adversary #1: Hadad the Edomite from the south (vv.14-22)
- B. Adversary #2: Rezon the marauder from the north (vv. 23-25)
- C. Adversary #3: Jeroboam the Ephraimite from within (vv. 26-40)

III. The fall and foreshadowing of king Solomon and his kingdom (vv. 41-43)