

CONSPIRACY, CONSPIRATORS, CONSPIRE, CONSPIRED, CONSPIRING

Saul claimed that all of his servants had **conspired** against him, because none of them told him that Jonathan had made a covenant with David.

- **1 Samuel 22:8:** "That all of you have conspired against me, and there is none that sheweth me that my son hath made a league with the son of Jesse, and there is none of you that is sorry for me, or sheweth unto me that my son hath stirred up my servant against me, to lie in wait, as at this day?"

Saul accused both Ahimelech and David of **conspiring** against him (which was a lie).

- **1 Samuel 22:11-13:** "Then the king sent to call Ahimelech the priest, the son of Ahitub, and all his father's house, the priests that were in Nob: and they came all of them to the king. And Saul said, Hear now, thou son of Ahitub. And he answered, Here I am, my lord. And Saul said unto him, Why have ye conspired against me, thou and the son of Jesse, in that thou hast given him bread, and a sword, and hast enquired of God for him, that he should rise against me, to lie in wait, as at this day?"

Absalom's **conspiracy** against David was strong.

- **2 Samuel 15:12:** "And Absalom sent for Ahithophel the Gilonite, David's counsellor, from his city, even from Giloh, while he offered sacrifices. And the conspiracy was strong; for the people increased continually with

Absalom."

Ahithophel (the grandfather of Bathsheba) **conspired** with Absalom to overthrow David.

- **2 Samuel 15:31:** "And one told David, saying, Ahithophel is among the conspirators with Absalom. And David said, O LORD, I pray thee, turn the counsel of Ahithophel into foolishness."

Baasha **conspired** against Nadab (the king of Israel).

- **1 Kings 15:25-27:** "And Nadab the son of Jeroboam began to reign over Israel in the second year of Asa king of Judah, and reigned over Israel two years. And he did evil in the sight of the Lord, and walked in the way of his father, and in his sin wherewith he made Israel to sin. And Baasha the son of Ahijah, of the house of Issachar, conspired against him; and Baasha smote him at Gibbethon, which belonged to the Philistines; for Nadab and all Israel laid siege to Gibbethon."

Zimri **conspired** against Elah (the king of Israel).

- **1 Kings 16:8-9:** "In the twenty and sixth year of Asa king of Judah began Elah the son of Baasha to reign over Israel in Tirzah, two years. And his servant Zimri, captain of half his chariots, conspired against him, as he was in Tirzah, drinking himself drunk in the house of Arza steward of his house in Tirzah."

The Israelites who were waging war against Gibbethon heard

that Zimri had **conspired** against Elah. (When they gathered to attack him, Zimri then committed suicide.)

- **1 Kings 16:16-18:** "And the people that were encamped heard say, Zimri hath conspired, and hath also slain the king: wherefore all Israel made Omri, the captain of the host, king over Israel that day in the camp. And Omri went up from Gibbethon, and all Israel with him, and they besieged Tirzah. And it came to pass, when Zimri saw that the city was taken, that he went into the palace of the king's house, and burnt the king's house over him with fire, and died."

Jehu **conspired** against Joram (the king of Israel). (This is because God anointed Jehu as king over Israel and commanded him to kill the entire house of Ahab).

- **2 Kings 9:14:** "So Jehu the son of Jehoshaphat the son of Nimshi conspired against Joram. (Now Joram had kept Ramothgilead, he and all Israel, because of Hazael king of Syria."

In the morning, Jehu told all the people of Jezreel that he had **conspired** against his master (Joram).

- **2 Kings 10:9:** "And it came to pass in the morning, that he went out, and stood, and said to all the people, Ye be righteous: behold, I conspired against my master, and slew him: but who slew all these?"

The servants of Joash (the king of Judah) formed a **conspiracy** against him.

- **2 Kings 12:20:** "And his servants arose, and made a

conspiracy, and slew Joash in the house of Millo, which goeth down to Silla."

Jehozabad and Jozachar **conspired** against Joash (the king of Judah).

- **2 Kings 12:20-21:** "And his servants arose, and made a conspiracy, and slew Joash in the house of Millo, which goeth down to Silla. For Jozachar the son of Shimeath, and Jehozabad the son of Shomer, his servants, smote him, and he died; and they buried him with his fathers in the city of David: and Amaziah his son reigned in his stead."
- **2 Chronicles 24:26:** "And these are they that conspired against him; Zabad the son of Shimeath an Ammonitess, and Jehozabad the son of Shimrith a Moabitess."

Amaziah (the king of Judah) was killed in Lachish by people who **conspired** against him.

- **2 Kings 14:18-19:** "And the rest of the acts of Amaziah, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah? Now they made a conspiracy against him in Jerusalem: and he fled to Lachish; but they sent after him to Lachish, and slew him there."

Shallum **conspired** against Zachariah (the king of Israel).

- **2 Kings 15:8-10:** "In the thirty and eighth year of Azariah king of Judah did Zachariah the son of Jeroboam reign over Israel in Samaria six months. And he did that which was evil in the sight of the Lord, as his fathers had done: he departed not from the sins of Jeroboam the son of

Nebat, who made Israel to sin. And Shallum the son of Jabesh conspired against him, and smote him before the people, and slew him, and reigned in his stead."

Pekah **conspired** against Pekahiah (the king of Israel). There were 50 men who joined him in his conspiracy.

- **2 Kings 15:23-25:** "In the fiftieth year of Azariah king of Judah Pekahiah the son of Menahem began to reign over Israel in Samaria, and reigned two years. And he did that which was evil in the sight of the Lord: he departed not from the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel to sin. But Pekah the son of Remaliah, a captain of his, conspired against him, and smote him in Samaria, in the palace of the king's house, with Argob and Arieah, and with him fifty men of the Gileadites: and he killed him, and reigned in his room."

Hoshea made a **conspiracy** against Pekah (the king of Israel).

- **2 Kings 15:27, 30:** "In the two and fiftieth year of Azariah king of Judah Pekah the son of Remaliah began to reign over Israel in Samaria, and reigned twenty years. ... And Hoshea the son of Elah made a conspiracy against Pekah the son of Remaliah, and smote him, and slew him, and reigned in his stead, in the twentieth year of Jotham the son of Uzziah."

When the king of Assyria discovered that Hoshea (the king of Israel) had **conspired** against him, he put Hoshea in prison.

- **2 Kings 17:1, 4:** "In the twelfth year of Ahaz king of Judah began Hoshea the son of Elah to reign in Samaria over

Israel nine years. ... And the king of Assyria found conspiracy in Hoshea: for he had sent messengers to So king of Egypt, and brought no present to the king of Assyria, as he had done year by year: therefore the king of Assyria shut him up, and bound him in prison."

The servants of Amon **conspired** against him.

- **2 Kings 21:23**: "And the servants of Amon conspired against him, and slew the king in his own house."
- **2 Chronicles 33:21, 24**: "Amon was two and twenty years old when he began to reign, and reigned two years in Jerusalem. ... And his servants conspired against him, and slew him in his own house."

The Jews killed all those who **conspired** against Amon (the king of Judah).

- **2 Kings 21:24**: "And the people of the land slew all them that had conspired against king Amon; and the people of the land made Josiah his son king in his stead."
- **2 Chronicles 33:25**: "But the people of the land slew all them that had conspired against king Amon; and the people of the land made Josiah his son king in his stead."

When God used Zechariah to tell the people of Judah to repent and turn back to Him, they **conspired** against him.

- **2 Chronicles 24:20-21**: "And the Spirit of God came upon Zechariah the son of Jehoiada the priest, which stood above the people, and said unto them, Thus saith God, Why transgress ye the commandments of the Lord, that

ye cannot prosper? because ye have forsaken the Lord, he hath also forsaken you. And they conspired against him, and stoned him with stones at the commandment of the king in the court of the house of the LORD."

After the army of Syria departed from Joash (the king of Judah), his servants **conspired** against him.

- **2 Chronicles 24:24-26:** "For the army of the Syrians came with a small company of men, and the Lord delivered a very great host into their hand, because they had forsaken the Lord God of their fathers. So they executed judgment against Joash. And when they were departed from him, (for they left him in great diseases,) his own servants conspired against him for the blood of the sons of Jehoiada the priest, and slew him on his bed, and he died: and they buried him in the city of David, but they buried him not in the sepulchres of the kings. And these are they that conspired against him; Zabad the son of Shimeath an Ammonitess, and Jehozabad the son of Shimrith a Moabitess."

The reason the servants of Joash (the king of Judah) **conspired** against him was because he murdered the sons of Jehoiada.

- **2 Chronicles 24:25:** "And when they were departed from him, (for they left him in great diseases,) his own servants conspired against him for the blood of the sons of Jehoiada the priest, and slew him on his bed, and he died: and they buried him in the city of David, but they buried him not in the sepulchres of the kings."

Amaziah (the king of Judah) was murdered by a **conspiracy** that arose against him.

- **2 Chronicles 25:27:** "Now after the time that Amaziah did turn away from following the LORD they made a conspiracy against him in Jerusalem; and he fled to Lachish: but they sent to Lachish after him, and slew him there."

The enemies of the Jews were so determined to stop the Jews from rebuilding the wall around Jerusalem that they formed a **conspiracy** to wage war against them.

- **Nehemiah 4:7-8:** "But it came to pass, that when Sanballat, and Tobiah, and the Arabians, and the Ammonites, and the Ashdodites, heard that the walls of Jerusalem were made up, and that the breaches began to be stopped, then they were very wroth, And conspired all of them together to come and to fight against Jerusalem, and to hinder it."

When the Jews were threatened by a **conspiracy** of their enemies (which sought to prevent them from rebuilding the wall around Jerusalem), they looked to God for protection. They depended on Him to save them.

- **Nehemiah 4:8-9:** "And conspired all of them together to come and to fight against Jerusalem, and to hinder it. Nevertheless we made our prayer unto our God, and set a watch against them day and night, because of them."

When the Jews were threatened by a **conspiracy** of their enemies (which sought to prevent them from rebuilding the

wall around Jerusalem), they set a watch to look for an enemy attack.

- **Nehemiah 4:8-9:** "And conspired all of them together to come and to fight against Jerusalem, and to hinder it. Nevertheless we made our prayer unto our God, and set a watch against them day and night, because of them."

When the Jews learned about the **conspiracy** that had formed against them by their enemies, they didn't stop building the wall around Jerusalem.

- **Nehemiah 4:9:** "Nevertheless we made our prayer unto our God, and set a watch against them day and night, because of them."

Although the rulers of this world have formed a **conspiracy** to overthrow God, it won't succeed.

- **Psalms 2:2-5:** "The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the LORD, and against his anointed, saying, Let us break their bands asunder, and cast away their cords from us. He that sitteth in the heavens shall laugh: the Lord shall have them in derision. Then shall he speak unto them in his wrath, and vex them in his sore displeasure."

God told Jeremiah that there was a **conspiracy** among the inhabitants of Judah and Jerusalem to worship idols.

- **Jeremiah 11:9-10:** "And the LORD said unto me, A conspiracy is found among the men of Judah, and among the inhabitants of Jerusalem. They are turned back to the iniquities of their forefathers, which refused to hear my

words; and they went after other gods to serve them: the house of Israel and the house of Judah have broken my covenant which I made with their fathers."

Jeremiah said he was like an ox that was being brought to the slaughter. (The Jews had **conspired** to kill him.)

- **Jeremiah 11:19:** "But I was like a lamb or an ox that is brought to the slaughter; and I knew not that they had devised devices against me, saying, Let us destroy the tree with the fruit thereof, and let us cut him off from the land of the living, that his name may be no more remembered."

The wicked prophets of Israel had formed a **conspiracy**. (The Lord compared them to dangerous animals who killed prey and looted the plunder.)

- **Ezekiel 22:25:** "There is a conspiracy of her prophets in the midst thereof, like a roaring lion ravening the prey; they have devoured souls; they have taken the treasure and precious things; they have made her many widows in the midst thereof."

The leadership of the kingdom which Darius ruled over formed a **conspiracy** against Daniel.

- **Daniel 6:4:** "Then the presidents and princes sought to find occasion against Daniel concerning the kingdom; but they could find none occasion nor fault; forasmuch as he was faithful, neither was there any error or fault found in him."

Amaziah lied to the king and said that Amos had **conspired** against him. (Amaziah wanted stop Amos from prophesying.)

- **Amos 7:10:** "Then Amaziah the priest of Bethel sent to Jeroboam king of Israel, saying, Amos hath conspired against thee in the midst of the house of Israel: the land is not able to bear all his words."

The chief priests, scribes, and elders **conspired** against Jesus.

- **Matthew 26:3-4:** "Then assembled together the chief priests, and the scribes, and the elders of the people, unto the palace of the high priest, who was called Caiaphas, And consulted that they might take Jesus by subtilty, and kill him."

Jesus warned that a day was coming when people wouldn't be able to trust their own family, because their close relatives would **conspire** against them to have them put to death.

- **Mark 13:12:** "Now the brother shall betray the brother to death, and the father the son; and children shall rise up against their parents, and shall cause them to be put to death."

More than 40 Jews **conspired** to kill the apostle Paul.

- **Acts 23:12-13:** "And when it was day, certain of the Jews banded together, and bound themselves under a curse, saying that they would neither eat nor drink till they had killed Paul. And they were more than forty which had made this conspiracy."