----- Jehoram 4 years ------

3115c AM, 3825 JP, 889 BC, 4 SK, 8 NK

527. Jehoshaphat died and was buried in the city of David. {#1Ki 22:50 2Ch 21:1} This good king's wicked son Jehoram ruled alone for four years. When he was established in his kingdom, he killed all his brothers and many of the other princes in Judah. {#2Ch 21:1-20} The Edomites revolted, having been under the control of Judah since King David's time. {#2Sa 8:14} They had been smitten by Jehoram, but in accordance with the prophecy of Isaac, {#Ge 27:40} they shook off Judah's yoke for ever. Libnah, a city of the priests in the tribe of Judah, {#Jos 21:13} also revolted at this time. {#2Ki 8:20-22 2Ch 21:8-10}

3116a AM, 3825 JP, 889 BC

528. SK-Jehoram followed the counsel of his wicked wife Athaliah and set up the idolatrous worship of Baal in Judah and Jerusalem, just as Ahab, his father-in-law, had done in Israel. He forced his subjects to worship Baal. [E49] God reproved him in a letter written by the prophet Elijah, who foretold what calamities and punishments would happen to him. {#2Ch 21:11-15} These events occurred as predicted. {#2Ch 21:16-20}

3116c AM, 3826 JP, 888 BC

529. SK-First, God stirred up the Philistines and Arabians against him. These attacked Judah and took away whatever they found in the king's house, together with his sons and wives. [L71] Since all his other sons had been killed, he had only Jehoahaz left. {#2Ch 21:1-20} This Jehoahaz was also called Ahaziah and Azariah, and he succeeded his father to the kingdom. {#2Ch 22:1,6}

3117c AM, 3827 JP, 887 BC, 6 SK, 10 NK

530. SK-After this, God struck Jehoram with an incurable disease in the bowels, which tormented him for two whole years. {#2Ch 21:15,18,19}

3118d AM, 3828 JP, 886 BC, 7 SK, 11 NK

531. SK-When Jehoram was afflicted with this sickness, he made his son, Ahaziah, his viceroy in the eleventh year of Joram, (also called Jehoram), the son of Ahab. {#2Ki 9:29}

3119c AM, 3829 JP, 885 BC, 8,1 SK, 12 NK 532. When Jehoram's bowels fell out, he died a miserable death and was buried in the city of David, but without any pomp and not among the kings. {#2Ch 25:19,20}