## Punishment

Read 2 Kings 17:1–23. How did God punish the Israelites? What did they do to deserve punishment? Before God punished Israel:

- God told the Israelites what they must not do, so they would know right from wrong (verse 12).
- 2. God warned them to stop doing wrong (verse 13). Only then did God punish them (verse 18).

Show your mom and dad this story. Ask about when they were punished as children. Did their parents follow God's example of telling, warning, and then punishing? Talk about times you have been punished. Can you see how your mom and dad have followed God's example when they punished you?





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