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Event 24 illustrates the conflicts between Judah and Israel. (1) Abijah of Judah captured Israel's Bethel, Jeshanah, and Ophrah. (2) Later, Baasha of Israel retook Bethel, and pushed south on to the Central Benjamin Plateau and took Ramah. (3) Asa, king of Judah, made an alliance with Damascus and Damascus conquered northern Israel. Bash stopped fortifying Ramah. Asa carried away the stones of Ramah and its timber, with which Baasha had been building; and with them King Asa built Geba of Benjamin and Mizpah.