

Passage: 2 Kings 1-12

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Discovered:

- Ahaziah fell & was ill. When Ahaziah sent word to ask Baal if he would recover & Elijah responded with No, because you don't seek God. Ahaziah sent a captain & 50 men x2 but each were consumed by fire. The 3rd captain plead for his life, so Elijah went with & told Ahaziah his fate. Ahaziah died. Jehoram became King of Israel.
- Elijah was taken up into heaven by chariots & horses of fire. Before Elijah was taken Elisha asked for a double portion of his spirit.
- As Elisha was leaving Bethel, he was made fun of by boys for being bald so he cursed them & 42 were killed by 2 bears.
- Jeroram became King of Israel & did evil.
- Israel & Judah went to war against Moab for rebelling against Israel. Elisha blessed their armies with water when none was to be found & told them they would be victorious. And they were until the king of Edom sacrificed his son and invoked God's wrath.
- God provided oil for the widow to sell to be able to pay off her debts & have money to live on.
- A wealthy Shunammite woman offered continuing hospitality for Elisha, and as a thank you, she was blessed with a child.
- Elisha raised the Shunammite woman's son from the dead.
- Naaman, a Syrian had leprosy & sought out to be healed by Elisha. Elisha told him to go dip into the Jordan 7 times. Eventually, he did and was healed. Elisha turned down the gifts, but his servant, Gehazi secretly asked for money & clothes from Naaman. He was cursed with leprosy.
- Syria attacked Israel. They were blinded & brought King of Israel & given their sight back. They were fed & sent home. Syria did not raid Israel again.
- Ben-Hadad attacked/besieged Samaria during a drought/famine. King of Israel grew impatient but Elisha promised food the next day. The Lord sent the sound of a large army & the Syrians fled leaving everything. 4 lepers discovered the deserted camp & went to tell the King. There was an abundance of food for Samaria/Israel.
- Ben-Hadad sent Hazael to Elisha to see if he would recover. Elisha said he would recover, but knew Hazael would murder him. Hazael told Ben-Hadad he would live, but killed him the next day.
- Jehoram became King of Judah, ruled 1 year & did evil.
- Elisha anointed Jehu as King over Israel & Jehu killed Joram & Ahaziah, house of Ahab for revenge against Jezebel for killing the prophets. Jehu killed Jezebel & all Ahab's descendants.
- Jehu gathered all the people who worshipped Baal & killed them, then destroyed the House of Baal. → turned into a latrine.
- When Athaliah saw her son, Ahaziah was dead, she killed all his heirs & became queen.
- But Joash was sent to & hidden by Jehoiada. At 7 years old, Jehoiada crowned Joash as king, Athaliah was put to death.
- Joash wanted make repairs to the temple but the priests had not made any repairs so he took control & gave money to the workers.

Help me to remember:

those who offered hospitality towards others were rewarded.

- Out of fear Joash paid off Hazael with the treasury & sacred things so as not to be attacked.
- Joash was killed by his servants.

Lord, I ask that

my heart is focused on you and I am continually sharing your name with others through my actions.

Heavenly Father, I am thankful for

the reminder that greed has no place in my heart