

Week 4: Fulfillment of Elisha's Prophecy

Fulfillment of Elisha's Prophecy: 2 Kings 9-10

Objective:

- Jehu Anointed King of Israel
- Ahaziah and Jezebel's death
- Jehu ending the family of Ahab
- Death of Jehu

Resources:

- Fr Tadros Y Malaty Commentary
- Catena Bible Commentary
- Fr Dawoud Lamie Bible study (Arabic)

Reading:

- ◦ 2 Kings 9:1-37
- ◦ 2 Kings 10:18-31
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Key verse(s):

- “And he said, “This is the word of the Lord, which He spoke by His servant Elijah the Tishbite, saying, ‘On the plot of ground at Jezreel dogs shall eat the flesh of Jezebel” 2 Kings 9:36

Comments:

- Jehu will become the new king. The throne will move away from the family of Ahab as God mentioned before.
- Elisha called one of the young prophets to go and anoint Jehu as the new king. This had to be kept as a secret because -politically- there is another king.
- We also see God's work through Elijah being fulfilled after the murder of Naboth.
- Jezebel the evil woman and Ahab's wife, was killed by Jehu. When Jehu asked for her body to be buried, they found that her body was eaten. This fulfills Elijah's prophecy.
- In chapter 10, we see Jehu ending the house of Ahab as God told him.

- Chapter 10 shows many important concepts about God:
 - God's justice will surely come, even if it is late
 - God gives a lot of time for evil people to repent before putting an end
 - God lets evil people end other evil people's lives
 - Ending the family of Ahab is a symbol of cutting the evil from its roots and not leaving anything even if small
 - Ending the family of Ahab is justice for all the people they killed and the evil they spread
- Unfortunately, Jehu himself was not a perfect man. He drifted away from God's commandments and did not depart from the sins of Jeroboam
 - This teaches us that we need to follow God's commandments all the time and not mix between God and evil.

Review/recap questions:

***Servant may add more questions*

1. How does the death of Jezebel confirm Elijah's prophecy?
2. What was the mission asked of Jehu?
3. The corpse of Jezebel shall be as refuse on the surface of the field. Explain.
4. Why did Jehu kill so many people?
5. Did Jehu follow all of God's ways?

Homework:

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1. Who anointed Jehu?
 - a) Elisha b) one of the sons of the prophets c) Jehoshaphat d) Zimri
2. How did Jezebel die?
 - a) men threw her out of the window b) by the sword c) she jumped of the window d) she was sick
3. How many sons did Ahab have in Samaria?
 - a) forty b) fifty c) sixty d) Seventy
4. Jehu gathered all the worshipers of Baal because:
 - a) he wanted to worship with them b) he wanted to kill them all c) he wanted to be their commander d) he wanted to honor them

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