

Resurrection Life of Jesus Church

THE PROPHET ELISHA

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PART 1: INTRODUCTION

After the departure of the Elijah, Elisha served as a prophet in the northern kingdom of Israel for 45 years. The political climate never changed to the point that the people of Israel fully served God since they went back and forth between God and Baal; an issue which Elisha seemed to disregard as he simply served God. Elisha never saw his nation turn to God and stay with Him, rather, he became a witness so that no man from that generation could ever say to God, *"If only there had been a man from God, I would have listened and repented."*

DEALING WITH KING JEHORAM

- When King Ahab died, Ahaziah ascended to the throne; and when Ahaziah died with no son as an heir, his brother Jehoram became the new King of Israel. Jehoram did not serve God with all his heart because he still walked in the sins of Jeroboam with the worshipping of the golden calves. **2 Kings 3:1-3**
- King Jehoram was backslidden, and so when the situation got out of control, he did not want to hear the truth and repent, but King Jehoshaphat of Judah was different and wanted to hear from a man of God. **verses 4-11**
- It is important to note that Elisha did not travel to the Kings of Israel, Judah and Edom, but they had to humble themselves and travel to him. **verse 12**
- Elisha was not impressed with the Kings of Israel and Edom but he had respect for the King of Judah. **verse 13-14**
- It is interesting that Elisha requested a time of praise and worship before he was ready to speak for the Lord. **verse 15**
- God would use the Kings of Israel, Judah, and Edom to bring judgment upon the Moabites, who were descendants of Lot. Even though Jehoram was in a backslidden condition, he nevertheless got the victory because of the righteousness of Jehoshaphat. **verses 16-25**
- The last two verses in this chapter show the depravity of the King of Moab. **verses 26-27**

BONUS SCRIPTURE: Isaiah 55:1-12

Do you have an ear to hear with?

