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2 Kings No. 9

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Gal 6:7,8 Do not be deceived, for God cannot be mocked. What man sows, he reaps. 8He that soweth according to the flesh shall reap corruption from the lust, and he that sow according to the Spirit shall reap eternal life from the Spirit. ...

God's Word does not fail in great things, nor does it fail in small things. Jehu was well aware of Elijah's prophecy about Jezebel, and Jezebel himself should have known it well. But she didn't take God's word to heart at all, and continued to be arrogant and go her own way, and ended up being eaten by dogs.

Do not deceive yourself that God is mocked

As Christians, we need to humbly rely on God at all times and seek His grace and peace in prayer. Let us pray together that the Lord will calm the restlessness and irritability in our hearts so that we may find peace and tranquility in His grace. May the Lord demonstrate His love and faithfulness in our lives and guide us on the right path. May our faith be strengthened so that we can face life's challenges and find strength and courage in God's grace.

Honoring God's plan is our responsibility and mission as Christians. From time to time in our lives, there is a temptation to make us ego and pursue our own desires and goals. However, we should understand that God's plan goes far beyond our personal desires and interests. God's plan is about the redemption and salvation of the entire universe, and it is about the development of human history and eternal goals.

When we humbly follow God's plan, we can truly experience God's grace and blessings. We need to learn to let go of our egos, our own plans and ambitions, and instead pursue God's will with reverence and obedience. This requires us to humbly seek God's guidance at all times and to find direction in prayer and Bible revelation.

Honoring God's plan means putting God first, not putting ourselves at the center. Such an attitude to life not only brings us closer to God, but also makes us more determined and directional in the path of life. Let us always remember that respecting God's plan is our true wisdom and blessing.

Proverbs 3:5-6: "Trust in the Lord with all your heart, not in your own understanding, but in all your ways acknowledge Him, and he will direct your paths." ┘

Ephesians 5:15-17: "Take heed not to be fools, but to be wise. Seize the moment, for this age is evil. Do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. 』

Psalms 111:10: "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and whoever does his commandments is a wise man." His virtue endures forever. 』

James 4:7: "The fear of God is the beginning of wisdom." To forsake evil is to be wise. 』

These verses remind us to rely on God in all things, to exercise caution, to fear God's name, to do His will, and to turn away from evil.

We pray together

Lord, we come to you and humbly confess our faults and arrogance before you. We know that we are often arrogant, far from your will, and relying on our own wisdom and ability. We repent of our neglect and disobedience to you in thought, word, and deed. Search our hearts, cleanse our hearts, and make our hearts fearful and humble.

Lord, grant your grace and mercy to help us put aside our arrogance and learn to rely on your strength and wisdom. Let your Holy Spirit fill our hearts and guide us on a path of humility and obedience to your will at all times.

May your love and forgiveness fill our lives and help us find peace and joy in humility. Give us the humility to know your greatness and glory, so that we will always honor your holy name and glorify your name. In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ we pray, Amen.

2 Kings 9

9:1           And Elisha the prophet called one of the prophet's disciples, and said unto him, Gird up thy loins, and take this jar of anointing in thy hand, and go to Ramoth-gilead.

9:2 And when he came there, thou shalt seek Jehu, the son of Jehoshaphat, the son of Nimshi, and bring him out of his fellow workers, and bring him into a tight house.

9:3 And he poured the oil out of the jar upon his head, and said, Thus saith the Yahweh, I have anointed thee king of Israel. when he was done, he opened the door and ran away without delay.

9:4 So the young prophet went to Ramoth-gilead.

9:5 When he got there, he saw all the army commanders sitting, and he said, "General, I have something to say to you." And Jehu said, Which of us shall thou say unto whom? and replied, "O general, I will say unto thee."

9:6 And Jehu arose, and went into the house, and the young men poured anointing oil upon his head, and said unto him, Thus saith the God of Jehova and Israel, I have anointed thee king over Jereah and Israel of the people of China.

9:7 Thou shalt smite all the house of Ahab thy master, that I may avenge the blood shed by all the prophets of my servants and all the servants of Jehovah on Jezebel.

9:8 and all the house of Ahab shall perish, and all the males of Ahab shall be trapped and free, and I will cut off from Israel.

9:9 And he made the house of Ahab like the house of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, and like the house of Baasha the son of Ahiah.

9:10 Jezebel shall be eaten by dogs in the field of Jezreel, and there shall be no one to bury him. after saying that, the young man opened the door and ran away.

9:11 When Jehu came out to his master's servants, one of them asked him, "Are you at peace?" What is the matter with this arrogant man coming to you? And he replied, Thou knowest the man, and know what he said.

9:12 They say it's a lie, and you tell us the truth. He replied that he said this to me. And he said, Thus saith the Jews, I have anointed thee king over Israel.

9:13 And they made haste, and spread out their garments on the upper steps, and sat on them. And they blew their trumpets, and said, Jehu is king.

9:14 So Jehu, the son of Joshaphat the son of Nimshi, rebelled against Joram. First, Joram and Israel kept Ramoth-gilead because of Hazael king of Syria.

9:15 But King Joram returned to Jezreel to heal the wounds he had wounded in battle with Hazael king of Syria. And Jehu said, If it is to your will, no one shall flee out of the city and report to Jezreel.

9:16 So Jehu went by chariot to Jezreel, where he lay down because of Joram's disease. King Ahaziah of Judah had gone down to see him.

9:17 And a watchman stood on the upper floor of Jezreel, and when he saw Jehu coming with a multitude, he said, I see a multitude. Joram said he sent a man on horseback to meet them and ask if they were safe or not.

9:18 And he who rode on horseback went to meet Jehu, and said, The king asked, 'Is it safe?' yehu said , peace is not peace what does it have to do with you . You turn behind me . And the watchman said that the messenger came to them, but did not return.

9:19 And the king sent a man on horseback. This man came to them and said, "The king asked, 'Is it safe?' yehu said , peace is not peace what does it have to do with you . You turn behind me .

9:20 And the watchman said that when he came to them, he would not return. The chariot drove violently, like the way of Jehu, the grandson of Nimshi.

9:21 joram commanded , set up the car . people gave him a car . Joram king of Israel and Ahaziah king of Judah went out in their own chariots to meet Jehu, and met him in the field of Naboth the Jezreelite.

9:22 When Joram saw Jehu, he said, "Is it peace, O Jehu?" And Jehu said, Thy mother Jezebel has so many fornications, how can she be at peace?

9:23 And Joram turned around and fled, and said unto Ahazeiah, Ahaziah, it is the other way around.

9:24 Jehu filled his bow and struck Joram in the back, and the arrow went out of the heart, and Joram fell on the chariot.

9:25 And Jehu said unto his captain of the army, Begal, Cast him into the field of Naboth the Jezreelite. Remember, when you and I rode together in the chariot with Ahab his father, the prophecy of Yahweh to Ahab,

9:26 And said, I saw the blood of Naboth and the blood of his sons yesterday, and I will repay thee in this field. This is what Yahweh said, and now you will cast him in this field, as Yahweh said.

9:27 When Ahaziah king of Judah saw this, he fled by the way of the garden pavilion. Jehu pursued him and said, "Kill this man in the chariot as well." And when they came to the slope near Aunt Ebel, they wounded him. He fled to Megiddo, where he died.

9:28 His servants carried his body in a chariot to Jerusalem and buried him in his own tomb in the Acropolis, where he was buried with his fathers.

9:29 When Ahaziah became king of Judah, it was in the eleventh year of Jehoram the son of Ahab.

9:30 Jehu came to Jezreel. Jezebel did not hear it, so he wiped the powder, combed his hair, and looked out of the window.

9:31 When Jehu entered, Jezebel said, Is peace with the heart that slayed his master?

9:32 Jehu lifted up his head and looked at the window, and said, Who obeys me? Two or three eunuchs looked at him from the window .

9:33 Jehu said, Throw her down. They threw her down. Her blood was splattered on the wall and on the horse. so they trampled her on .

9:34 And Jehu went in, and ate and drank, and commanded, Burial of this cursed woman, for she is the daughter of the king.

9:35 So they went and buried her, and found only her skull and feet, and the palms of her hands.

9:36 They returned to Jehu, and Jehu said, This is what Jehohua said through his servant Eliah the Tisbiite, saying, In the field of Jezreel the dogs will eat Jezebel's flesh.

9:37 And the body of Jezebel shall be like dung in the field of Jezreel, so that no one can even say that it is Jezebel.

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Jehu then embarked on a mission to destroy Ahab's entire family, killing all his relatives and supporters. He also executed the false prophets of Baal, destroyed their temple, and put an end to idolatry that had plagued Israel for years.

The chapter concludes with Jehu consolidating his position as king of Israel and continuing to execute God's judgment on Israel's wicked rulers.

The story of 2 Kings 9 reminds us of the importance of obedience to God's commands, as well as the consequences of disobedience. It also emphasizes the power of prophecy and God's sovereignty in executing judgment on evil and evil.

In 2 Kings 9, the key verses are:

Verse 6: "And he arose, and went into the house. And he poured oil upon his head, and said unto him, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, I have anointed thee king of the LORD people, and hath anointed thee king of Israel.

Verse 20: "And the watchmen reported that he went unto them, and did not return, and drove as Jehu the son of Ninsey drove; Because he drove like crazy.

Verse 22: When Joram saw Jehu, he said, Is this peace, Jehu?" and he replied, "If only Jezebel thy mother had so much witchcraft, what peace would there be?"

These verses describe the prophet's anointing of Jehu as king of Israel and the chaos and destruction of Jehu upon his ascension to the throne. These events eventually led to the fall of the House of Ahab and the end of the Omrid dynasty of Israel. These verses can be found in 2 Kings 9:6, 20, and 22 in the Christian Bible.

In 2 Kings 9, we see the account of Jehu's anointing as king and his subsequent actions. This chapter offers a few points to think about:

**God's Appointed Agents of Justice:** Jehu was anointed as king of Israel by the prophets at God's command, and he was given a specific mission to judge Israel's wicked rulers. This account reminds us that God raises up individuals to carry out His will and to bring justice to those who disobey His commands. It emphasizes the role of leaders as agents of God's righteousness and reminds us that God holds rulers accountable for their actions.

**Consequences of Sin and Disobedience:** Jehu executed God's judgment by destroying Ahab's entire house in accordance with the Lord's prophecy. This included Jezebel, the notorious queen who led the idolatry of the Israelites. This chapter shows the consequences of sin and rebellion against God. It indicates that God's judgment will come upon those who persist in ungodliness and refuse to repent. It reminds us of the importance of obedience and the serious consequences of disobedience to God's commands.

**The futility of power and human ambition:** Throughout the chapter, Jehu's rise is marked by violence and bloodshed. He eliminated not only Israel's evil rulers, but also the innocents who were connected to them. This narrative highlights the futility and destructiveness of human ambition and the quest for power. It is a cautionary reflection that reminds us of the dangers of letting power and ambition drive our actions without seeking God's guidance and abiding by His moral principles.

**God's faithfulness to His promises:** Although this chapter describes terrible events, it also reveals God's faithfulness to His promises. Jehu fulfilled the prophecy of Ahab's house, showing that God's Word would always be fulfilled. It reminds us that God's promises, whether judgments or blessings, are certain and will be fulfilled in His perfect time.



The Call to Repentance: While this chapter focuses primarily on God's judgment, it also includes a call to repentance. Jehu's actions caused fear and repentance among some, leading to the destruction of Israel's worship of Baal. This account emphasizes the importance of recognizing that we need to repent and turn to God. It reminds us that even in judgment, God provides opportunities for repentance and restoration.

Overall, 2 Kings 9 reflects on God's appointment of righteous agents, the consequences of sin and disobedience, the futility of human ambition, God's faithfulness to His promises, and his call to repentance. It calls us to consider God's righteous judgment, the importance of obedience, and the need for true repentance in our own lives.