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The ministry of Elisha 2 Kings 2:19-13:20

- Reign of Jehoram son of Jehoshaphat in Judah 2 Kings 8:16-24; 2 Chronicles 21:1-20
 - Killed all his brothers and others of the royal family.
 - Began his reign at 32 and reigned for 8 years.
 - His wife was the daughter of Ahab and he followed the ways of the kings of Israel.
 - God's covenant with David was the only thing that spared the house of David during this dark time.

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- Reign of Jehoram son of Jehoshaphat in Judah 2 Kings 8:16-24; 2 Chronicles 21:1-20
 - A letter from Elijah pronounced God's judgment for his evil ways.
 - God allowed surrounding nations to plunder Judah.
 - Jehoram was struck with a painful and fatal disease.
 - His death was not mourned and he was not honored in his burial.

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- Reign of Ahaziah King of Judah 2 Kings 8:25-9:29; 2 Chronicles 22:1-9
 - Son of Jehoram king of Judah, began his reign in the twelfth year of Joram king of Israel (a son of Ahab)
 - 22 years old at the beginning of his reign, reigned for one year
 - His mother was Athaliah, granddaughter of Omri
 - His wife was the daughter of Ahab
 - Did evil in the ways of the house of Ahab

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 - Joined with Joram king of Israel to engage the Syrian forces of Hazael
 - Joram was wounded in the battle and went to Jezreel to recover
 - Ahaziah went to visit him there

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- Reign of Ahaziah King of Judah 2 Kings 8:25-9:29; 2 Chronicles 22:1-9
 - Elisha sent one of the sons of the prophets to anoint Jehu as king over Israel.
 - Jehu was a commander in the army of the Northern Kingdom dating back to the reign of Ahab.

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 - Part of Jehu's commission as king was to bring God's judgment on the house of Ahab. 1 Kings 21:20-24
 - Jehu's influence is seen in the immediate acceptance of his claim on the kingdom by the military commanders.

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 - Jehu immediately left for Jezreel to begin the execution of this judgment by killing Joram the king and laying claim to the kingdom.
 - He also had Azariah, king of Judah, killed due to his association with the house of Ahab.
 - Next Jehu had Jezebel put to death. 1 Kings 21:23

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Lessons

- There are few things more dangerous than an unprincipled person in power.
- God's judgments, however severe, are tempered by His covenant relationship with His people.
- Stubborn rebellion against God brings nothing but dishonor.
- Be careful of the people you allow to influence you.

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Lessons

- When God clearly reveals an assignment for you, move humbly and deliberately ahead.
- We can trust God to execute justice in His time and His way.
