21.11 Joram, Jehu¹⁰ ⊗; Jezebel's Death / Ahaziah⁶ ⊗ (2 Kings 8:25–29; 9:1–37; 10:1–36; 2 Chronicles 22:7–9)

- ✓ "Check" it out; opinion, inference, supposed conversation, or fact one can verify follows.
- [...] Brackets indicate a remark to the teacher that will not be read aloud, and they show answers to questions.

Visuals and Tools:

- Pictures and other visuals found at the end of this lesson. Check "Activities" and "Handwork" found below for additional materials. Please give credit to the sources of pictures.
- Note: To fill the gaps between pictures, prepare and use the chariot as found in the "Handwork" below for Jehu coming to Jezreel, the two kings meeting him, his chasing Ahaziah, and his finding Jezebel.
- Small poster (from last week's lesson) showing Ahab's children—Athaliah, Ahaziah, and Joram—and Jehoshaphat's line—Joram and Ahaziah. Point out the same names of sons (Ahaziah and Joram in reverse order in Judah) and Athaliah's being Ahab's daughter and the mother of Ahaziah of Judah.
- (optional) Eye makeup

Bible Time Tips and Terms to Teach: Vocabulary words are enlarged for flashcards at the end of this lesson. Print, cut out, and glue to card stock, or just print on colorful cardstock.

- raids: invasions into a country to get slaves, property, and riches
- *Jezreel*: Jezreel [locate] was in a pleasant area called the Jezreel Valley. [Note: On the map below, the Jezreel Valley does not but should be shown to extend toward Mount Carmel.] It was here in Jezreel on the south side of the valley that Ahab had a winter palace next to Naboth's vineyard. "Because of the low elevation of Jezreel, this would have served well as a winter palace. . . . The fertile ground in the valley today is a reminder of how precious Naboth's fertile vineyard would have been" (Jezreel (BiblePlaces.com) BiblePlaces.com).
- to anoint: to pour oil over the head of a man to indicate God's choice of him to become a king

Scripture: (ESV)

2 Kings 8:25 In the twelfth year of Joram the son of Ahab, king of Israel, Ahaziah the son of Jehoram, king of Judah, began to reign. 26 Ahaziah was twenty-two years old when he began to reign, and he reigned one year in Jerusalem. His mother's name was Athaliah; she was a granddaughter of Omri king of Israel. 27 He also walked in the way of the house of Ahab and did what was evil in the sight of the LORD, as the house of Ahab had done, for he was son-in-law to the house of Ahab. . . .

9:1 Then Elisha the prophet called one of the sons of the prophets and said to him, "Tie up your garments, and take this flask of oil in your hand, and go to Ramoth-gilead. 2 And when you arrive, look there for Jehu the son of Jehoshaphat, son of Nimshi. And go in and have him rise from among his fellows, and lead him to an inner chamber. 3 Then take the flask of oil and pour it on his head and say, 'Thus says the Lord, I anoint you king over Israel.' Then open the door and flee; do not linger."

4 So the young man, the servant of the prophet, went to Ramoth-gilead. 5 And when he came, behold, the commanders of the army were in council. And he said, "I have a word for you, O commander." And Jehu said, "To which of us all?" And he said, "To you, O commander." 6 So he arose and went into the house. And the young man poured the oil on his head, saying to him, "Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, I anoint you king over the people of the Lord, over Israel. 7 And you shall strike down the house of Ahab your master, so that I may avenge on Jezebel the blood of my servants the prophets, and the blood of all the servants of the Lord. 8 For the whole house of Ahab shall perish, and I will cut off from Ahab every male, bond or free, in Israel. 9 And I will make the house of Ahab like the house of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, and like the house of Baasha the son of Ahijah. 10 And the dogs shall eat Jezebel in the territory of Jezreel, and none shall bury her." Then he opened the door and fled.

11 When Jehu came out to the servants of his master, they said to him, "Is all well? Why did this mad fellow come to you?" And he said to them, "You know the fellow and his talk." 12 And they said, "That is not true; tell us now." And he said, "Thus and so he spoke to me, saying, 'Thus says the Lord, I anoint you king over Israel." 13 Then in haste every man of them took his garment and put it under him on the bare steps, and they blew the trumpet and proclaimed, "Jehu is king."

14 Thus Jehu the son of Jehoshaphat the son of Nimshi conspired against Joram. (Now Joram with all Israel had been on guard at Ramoth-gilead against Hazael king of Syria, 15 but King Joram had returned to be healed in Jezreel of the wounds that the Syrians had given him, when he fought with Hazael king of Syria.) So Jehu said, "If this is your decision, then let no one slip out of the city to go and tell the news in Jezreel." 16 Then Jehu mounted his chariot and went to Jezreel, for Joram lay there. And Ahaziah king of Judah had come down to visit Joram [because he was sick].

17 Now the watchman was standing on the tower in Jezreel, and he saw the company of Jehu as he came and said, "I see a company." And Joram said, "Take a horseman and send to meet them, and let him say, 'Is it peace?" 18 So a man on horseback went to meet him and said, "Thus says the king, 'Is it peace?" And Jehu said, "What do you have to do with peace? Turn around and ride behind me." And the watchman reported, saying, "The messenger reached them, but he is not coming back." 19 Then he sent out a second horseman, who came to them and said, "Thus the king has said, 'Is it peace?" And Jehu answered, "What do you have to do with peace? Turn around and ride behind me." 20 Again the watchman reported, "He reached them, but he is not coming back. And the driving is like the driving of Jehu the son of Nimshi, for he drives furiously."

21 Joram said, "Make ready." And they made ready his chariot. Then Joram king of Israel and Ahaziah king of Judah set out, each in his chariot, and went to meet Jehu, and met him at the property of Naboth the Jezreelite. 22 And when Joram saw Jehu, he said, "Is it peace, Jehu?" He answered, "What peace can there be, so long as the whorings and the sorceries of your mother Jezebel are so many?" 23 Then Joram reined about and fled, saying to Ahaziah, "Treachery, O Ahaziah!" 24 And Jehu drew his bow with his full strength, and shot Joram between the shoulders, so that the arrow pierced his heart, and he sank in his chariot. 25 Jehu said to Bidkar his aide, "Take him up and throw him on the plot of ground belonging to Naboth the Jezreelite. For remember, when you and I rode side by side behind Ahab his father, how the Lord made this pronouncement against him: 26 'As surely as I saw yesterday the blood of Naboth and the blood of his sons—declares the Lord—I will repay you on this plot of ground.' Now therefore take him up and throw him on the plot of ground, in accordance with the word of the Lord."

27 When Ahaziah the king of Judah saw this, he fled in the direction of Beth-haggan. And Jehu pursued him and said, "Shoot him also." And they shot him in the chariot at the ascent of Gur, which is by Ibleam. And he fled to Megiddo and died there. 28 His servants carried him in a chariot to Jerusalem, and buried him in his tomb with his fathers in the city of David. . . .

30 When Jehu came to Jezreel, Jezebel heard of it. And she painted her eyes and adorned her head and looked out of the window. 31 And as Jehu entered the gate, she said, "Is it peace, you Zimri, murderer of your master?" 32 And he lifted up his face to the window and said, "Who is on my side? Who?" Two or three eunuchs looked out at him. 33 He said, "Throw her down." So they threw her down. And some of her blood spattered on the wall and on the horses, and they trampled on her. 34 Then he went in and ate and drank. And he said, "See now to this cursed woman and bury her, for she is a king's daughter." 35 But when they went to bury her, they found no more of her than the skull and the feet and the palms of her hands. 36 When they came back and told him, he said, "This is the word of the Lord, which he spoke by his servant Elijah the Tishbite: 'In the territory of Jezreel the dogs shall eat the flesh of Jezebel, 37 and the corpse of Jezebel shall be as dung on the face of the field in the territory of Jezreel, so that no one can say, This is Jezebel."

10:1 Now Ahab had seventy sons in Samaria. So Jehu wrote letters and sent them to Samaria, to the rulers of the city, to the elders, and to the guardians of the sons of Ahab, saying, 2 "Now then, as soon as this letter comes to you, seeing your master's sons are with you, and there are with you chariots and horses, fortified cities also, and weapons, 3 select the best and fittest of your master's sons and set him on his father's throne and fight for your master's house." 4 But they were exceedingly afraid and said, "Behold, the two kings could not stand

before him. How then can we stand?" 5 So he who was over the palace, and he who was over the city, together with the elders and the guardians, sent to Jehu, saying, "We are your servants, and we will do all that you tell us. We will not make anyone king. Do whatever is good in your eyes." 6 Then he wrote to them a second letter, saying, "If you are on my side, and if you are ready to obey me, take the heads of your master's sons and come to me at Jezreel tomorrow at this time." Now the king's sons, seventy persons, were with the great men of the city, who were bringing them up. 7 And as soon as the letter came to them, they took the king's sons and slaughtered them, seventy persons, and put their heads in baskets and sent them to him at Jezreel. 8 When the messenger came and told him, "They have brought the heads of the king's sons," he said, "Lay them in two heaps at the entrance of the gate until the morning." 9 Then in the morning, when he went out, he stood and said to all the people, "You are innocent. It was I who conspired against my master and killed him, but who struck down all these? 10 Know then that there shall fall to the earth nothing of the word of the Lord, which the Lord spoke concerning the house of Ahab, for the Lord has done what he said by his servant Elijah." 11 So Jehu struck down all who remained of the house of Ahab in Jezreel, all his great men and his close friends and his priests, until he left him none remaining.

12 Then he set out and went to Samaria. On the way, when he was at Beth-eked of the Shepherds, 13 Jehu met the relatives of Ahaziah king of Judah, and he said, "Who are you?" And they answered, "We are the relatives of Ahaziah, and we came down to visit the royal princes and the sons of the queen mother." 14 He said, "Take them alive." And they took them alive and slaughtered them at the pit of Beth-eked, forty-two persons, and he spared none of them.

2 Chronicles 22:7 But it was ordained by God that the downfall of Ahaziah should come about through his going to visit Joram. For when he came there, he went out with Jehoram to meet Jehu the son of Nimshi, whom the Lord had anointed to destroy the house of Ahab. 8 And when Jehu was executing judgment on the house of Ahab, he met the princes of Judah and the sons of Ahaziah's brothers, who attended Ahaziah, and he killed them. 9 He searched for Ahaziah, and he was captured while hiding in Samaria, and he was brought to Jehu and put to death. They buried him, for they said, "He is the grandson of Jehoshaphat, who sought the Lord with all his heart." And the house of Ahaziah had no one able to rule the kingdom.

2 Kings 10:15 And when he departed from there, he met Jehonadab the son of Rechab coming to meet him. And he greeted him and said to him, "Is your heart true to my heart as mine is to yours?" And Jehonadab answered, "It is." Jehu said, "If it is, give me your hand." So he gave him his hand. And Jehu took him up with him into the chariot. 16 And he said, "Come with me, and see my zeal for the Lord." So he had him ride in his chariot. 17 And when he came to Samaria, he struck down all who remained to Ahab in Samaria, till he had wiped them out, according to the word of the Lord that he spoke to Elijah.

18 Then Jehu assembled all the people and said to them, "Ahab served Baal a little, but Jehu will serve him much. 19 Now therefore call to me all the prophets of Baal, all his worshipers and all his priests. Let none be missing, for I have a great sacrifice to offer to Baal. Whoever is missing shall not live." But Jehu did it with cunning in order to destroy the worshipers of Baal. 20 And Jehu ordered, "Sanctify a solemn assembly for Baal." So they proclaimed it. 21 And Jehu sent throughout all Israel, and all the worshipers of Baal came, so that there was not a man left who did not come. And they entered the house of Baal, and the house of Baal was filled from one end to the other. 22 He said to him who was in charge of the wardrobe, "Bring out the vestments for all the worshipers of Baal." So he brought out the vestments for them. 23 Then Jehu went into the house of Baal with Jehonadab the son of Rechab, and he said to the worshipers of Baal, "Search, and see that there is no servant of the Lord here among you, but only the worshipers of Baal." 24 Then they went in to offer sacrifices and burnt offerings.

Now Jehu had stationed eighty men outside and said, "The man who allows any of those whom I give into your hands to escape shall forfeit his life." 25 So as soon as he had made an end of offering the burnt offering, Jehu said to the guard and to the officers, "Go in and strike them down; let not a man escape." So when they put them to the sword, the guard and the officers cast them out and went into the inner room of the house of Baal, 26 and they brought out the pillar that was in the house of Baal and burned it. 27 And they demolished the pillar of Baal, and demolished the house of Baal, and made it a latrine to this day.

28 Thus Jehu wiped out Baal from Israel. 29 But Jehu did not turn aside from the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, which he made Israel to sin—that is, the golden calves that were in Bethel and in Dan. 30 And the Lord said to Jehu, "Because you have done well in carrying out what is right in my eyes, and have done to the house of Ahab according to all that was in my heart, your sons of the fourth generation shall sit on the throne of Israel." 31 But Jehu was not careful to walk in the law of the Lord, the God of Israel, with all his heart. He did not turn from the sins of Jeroboam, which he made Israel to sin.

32 In those days the Lord began to cut off parts of Israel. Hazael defeated them throughout the territory of Israel: 33 from the Jordan eastward, all the land of Gilead, the Gadites, and the Reubenites, and the Manassites, from Aroer, which is by the Valley of the Arnon, that is, Gilead and Bashan. 34 Now the rest of the acts of Jehu and all that he did, and all his might, are they not written in the Book of the Chronicles of the Kings of Israel? 35 So Jehu slept with his fathers, and they buried him in Samaria. And Jehoahaz his son reigned in his place. 36 The time that Jehu reigned over Israel in Samaria was twenty-eight years.

Introduction/Review:

In our last lesson we learned about wicked King Joram of Judah. Because of his wickedness in leading Judah into unfaithfulness and in killing his brothers, Joram lost all his children but one, Ahaziah; all his possessions; and all his wives but one; the wicked Athaliah, daughter of Ahab and Jezebel. Joram of Judah later died a painful and horrible death, suffering great agony for two years. When he passed away, no one really cared. Those in charge of burying him said, ✓"He is a king; so we'll bury him in Jerusalem. However, his wicked bones will not lie in the tombs of his good father and grandfather."

About thirteen years before today's story, Ahab had wanted to buy a vineyard belonging to Naboth in the town of Jezreel. Naboth had refused to give or sell his God-given land, and Jezebel ordered that Naboth be murdered. Because of this terrible event, Elijah pronounced curses on Ahab's family. They were [show visual aid found below] (1) "As surely as you shed the blood of Naboth and his sons—says the LORD—I will repay you on this very plot of ground"; (2) "The dogs shall eat Jezebel by the wall in Jezreel, and no one shall be able to bury her"; (3) "The whole house of Ahab shall perish."

Today's story has lots of bloodshed. It is an example of God's hatred for and punishment of sin. Even though God may wait a long time, He will surely punish sin. "The wages of sin is death." God sent Jesus to pay for the sins of those who trust Him so that for them "the gift of God is eternal life" (Romans 6:23).

Story: [Teacher, use discretion when teaching this story to small children and leave out some bloody scenes.]

Judah's Ahaziah becoming king

After Joram died, his son, Ahaziah, became the next king of Judah. Do you suppose he was an evil king or a good one? Remember that Athaliah, Ahab and Jezebel's daughter, was this king's mother. By God's grace, the next king of Judah could have been good, but he was . . . bad, for the Bible states "his mother (Athaliah) was his counselor in doing wickedly. He did what was evil in the sight of the Lord, as the house of Ahab had done."

Syria's raiding Israel

Now, at this time the new king, Hazael, up in Syria [locate] was raiding cities of Israel. In fact, he was raiding the same town, Ramoth-gilead [locate], where, twelve years earlier, Jehoshaphat and Ahab had also fought Syria [locate]. It was at this city that Ahab had died.

Like his grandfather, Ahaziah of Judah went to help Joram of Israel. Together they warred against Syria at the city of Ramoth-gilead, and Joram of Israel was wounded in battle. He left his troops in Ramoth-gilead and went back to the city of Jezreel [locate] so that his wounds could heal.

Again, Jezreel was the place where Elijah had said Ahab's family and Jezebel would be slain. Apparently Joram and Jezebel were not concerned about Elijah's prophecy, for they did not avoid being in Jezreel. King Ahaziah of Judah was also there, having left the battle so that he could go visit his sick Uncle Joram.

God's anointing of Jehu

Meanwhile, Elisha called one of the sons of the prophets and said to him, "Get yourself ready for a trip to Ramoth-gilead. Take this flask of oil and look for Jehu. When you find him, ask him to leave his fellow army officers and come with you to a room inside the building. Pour the oil on his head and say, 'Thus says the Lord, "I anoint you king over Israel." Then open the door and get out of there as fast as you can."

So the young man went to Ramoth-gilead. When he got there, the officers of the army were in a meeting. The young prophet said, "I have an errand to you, O Commander Jehu."

Jehu left the meeting to follow the young prophet into a house.² The young man poured oil on Jehu's head, and said to him, "Thus says the Lord the God of Israel, I anoint you king over Israel. You shall strike down the house of Ahab your master so that I may pay back Jezebel for the blood of My prophets and the blood of all the servants of the Lord that she slew. The whole house of Ahab shall perish. Furthermore, the dogs shall eat Jezebel in Jezreel, and no one shall be able to bury her."

Then the prophet got out of there.

✓ Perhaps Jehu was stunned with this news. He ✓ thoughtfully went back to his meeting.

"Is everything okay? Why did this mad fellow come to you?" asked his fellow army officers.

"Well, he said, 'Thus says the Lord, I anoint you king over Israel."

Upon hearing this, every one of those officers took his garment and put it on the bare steps for Jehu to walk on. They blew a trumpet and proclaimed, "Jehu is king! Jehu is king!"

Jehu's destroying Israel's Joram

Jehu wasted no time. He got into his chariot and rode off to Jezreel to "visit" [do air quotes] Joram, Ahaziah, and Jezebe,. This visit was not going to be pleasant.

Now, the watchman in Jezreel saw from the watchtower Jehu and all those army officers coming. He shouted, "I see a company!"

King Joram ordered, "Send a horseman to meet them, and have him ask, 'Is it peace?"

So a man on horseback went to meet Jehu and said, "Thus says the king, 'Is it peace?"

Jehu said, "What do you have to with peace? Turn round and ride behind me."

The rider did so, and the watchman reported, "The messenger reached them, but he is not coming back."

Joram sent out a second horseman, who came to Jehu and said, "Thus the king has said, 'Is it peace?"

Jehu answered, "What have you to do with peace? Turn round and ride behind me."

Again the watchman reported, "He reached them, but he is not coming back. And the driving is like the driving of Jehu, for he drives furiously."

Joram commanded, "Make my chariot ready." Then he and Ahaziah, king of Judah, set out, each in his own chariot, to meet Jehu. Guess where they met Jehu. Hint: it was the very place Elijah had said Ahab's family would be slain. They met him . . . at the property of Naboth, the man whom Ahab had slain for his vineyard.

"Is it peace, Jehu?" asked Joram.

Jehu answered, "What peace can there be so long as your mother's wickedness is so widespread?"

Uh, oh! Joram knew he was in trouble! He reined his horse around and took off, shouting to Ahaziah, "Treachery, Ahaziah!"

Yes, Joram was indeed in trouble, for Jehu drew his bow with full strength and shot Joram between the shoulders so that the arrow went through his back and pierced his heart. Joram was dead in his chariot.

"Take him up," Jehu commanded Bidkar his aide, "and cast him on ground belonging to Naboth. Remember when you and I rode side behind Ahab his father, how the Lord uttered this prophecy against him? 'As surely as you shed the blood of Naboth and his sons—says the Lord —I will repay you on this very plot of ground.' Now therefore pick him up and throw him in Naboth's vineyard just as the Lord said."

Jehu's destroying Judah's Ahaziah

When Ahaziah the king of Judah saw all of this happening, he galloped away. But Jehu's men pursued him. Jehu commanded, "Shoot him also!" They shot him. Although he tried to get away, he also died. He had been king over Judah only one year.

Jehu's destroying Jezebel

The other notable person at Jezreel was Jezebel, Joram's mother and the wicked wife of wicked King Ahab. She learned what had happened to her son Joram, and (don't ask me why) she got out her makeup and "painted her eyes" (or her face) and fixed her hair (or put something on her head.) [Teacher, if you choose to do so, quickly put some gaudy makeup on your eyelids.] Then she looked out of an upstairs window of the palace as Jehu entered the gate of the city. Jezebel cried, "Is it peace, you murderer of your master?"

Rather than answer Jezebel, Jehu looked up to the window, saw servants with Jezebel, and called, "Who is on my side? Who?" Two or three male servants looked out at him.

Jehu said, "Throw her down." So they threw her out of that window. Of course, she died there. When she fell on the street, some of her blood spattered on the wall and some on the horses. The horses trampled her.

Jehu left her there on the street and went to eat and drink. After a while he said, "Well, you'd better go take care of the body of that cursed woman. Bury her, for, after all, she is a king's daughter."

But when the men went to bury her, all that they could find was her skull, her feet, and her hands. They came back and told Jehu. He seemed not to be surprised but merely quoted Elijah: "This is the word of the Lord, which he spoke by his servant Elijah, 'In Jezreel the dogs shall eat the body of Jezebel, and no one will be able to recognize her and say, This is Jezebel."

Jehu's destroying Ahab's family

This certainly is a gory story, isn't it, but there's more. Jehu still had not completed the task of wiping out Ahab's family. Briefly, I'll tell you that Jehu sent to the men who watched out for Ahab's seventy sons, asking the caretakers to defend those seventy sons. Realizing that Jehu had already slain two kings and the queen mother, these caregivers decided, "Uh, uh. Nope. We'll do whatever Jehu asks us to do," and they slew every one of those sons.

Jehu completely destroyed Ahab's family just as God had promised Ahab. In fact, Jehu himself said, "Not one word of the LORD shall fail which the Lord spoke about the house of Ahab; for the Lord has done what he said by his servant Elijah."

Jehu's destroying Baal's prophets

I know this story has been long. I have even left out another gruesome scene, but I will share just one more part. The greatest wickedness of Ahab and Jezebel was to cause Israel to worship false god Baal. Therefore, Jehu gathered all the prophets, priests, and worshipers of Baal, tricking them by announcing, "Ahab served Baal a little; but Jehu will serve him much. Let no prophets, worshipers, or priests be missing. Whoever is missing from this service to worship Baal shall not live."

So they all came into the house of Baal; not one was missing. When all was ready, Jehu and his men slew all these Baal worshipers and demolished the house of Baal.

Now, all of this slaying of wicked people shows us God's hatred of sin and wickedness and His sure punishment for it. We are all sinners—maybe not to the extent that Ahab and Jezebel had been. However, we are capable of any sin if God doesn't change us and save us from our sins. So, if this story makes you feel

icky, confess your sins to the Lord, turn away from them, and trust the pure, sinless, wonderful Son of God—Jesus Christ—to save you.

Lessons from This Lesson:

• We see Jesus:

The city of Nazareth, Jesus' hometown, was on the northern side of the Jezreel Valley.

Activities:

- Play dough: a coat to put on the "steps" for King Jehu; a watchtower; chariots (have the children drive them "furiously" but carefully monitor this activity.)
- Snack: Graham cracker castle as seen at (835) Pinterest
- Have children put on robes and then take them off to lay on the floor as they shout, "Jehu is king! Jehu is king!" One of the students may be Jehu and step on these clothes.
- Carefully supervise the students as they play with a toy bow and arrow.
- Ask students to discern how the picture of Jehu's anointing is incorrect. [As stated in footnote #2 above, the anointing took place in a house, not a tent. Also, the men were not in the presence of other soldiers.]
- Review questions: (Game: Print the page of grape leaves and grapes found below. Roughly cut out the grape leaves, and cut the purple circles. Back with paper towel or flocked paper and place on a flannel board. For each correct answer, a student takes a grape off of the board. The grapes sort of represent the number of people and groups of people destroyed by Jehu. Note: There were only six people or groups, but here we have eight "grapes.")
 - 1. What did Elisha want a son of the prophet do to Jehu? [Anoint him king of Israel.]
 - 2. What was the task God said Jehu was to accomplish? [Destroy the family of Ahab.]
 - 3. According to God's prophecy through Elijah, where did Jehu cast Joram's body? [In the vineyard that had belonged to Naboth.]
 - 4. What did Jehu do to Ahaziah, king of Judah? [Shot him dead with an arrow.]
 - 5. What gueen did Jehu find and destroy at Jezreel? [Jezebel.]
 - 6. How many sons of Ahab did Jehu slay? [Seventy.]
 - 7. Fill in the blank; the same word is used three times. Jehu tricked the false prophets by saying, "Ahab served _____ a little, but Jehu will serve him much. Now therefore call to me all the prophets of ____, all his worshipers and all his priests. Let none be missing, for I have a great sacrifice to offer to ." [Baal.]
 - 8. When Jehu had gathered all the prophets of Baal, what did he do to them? [Destroyed them.]

Memory Verse:

• "Jesus said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind" (Matthew 22:37).

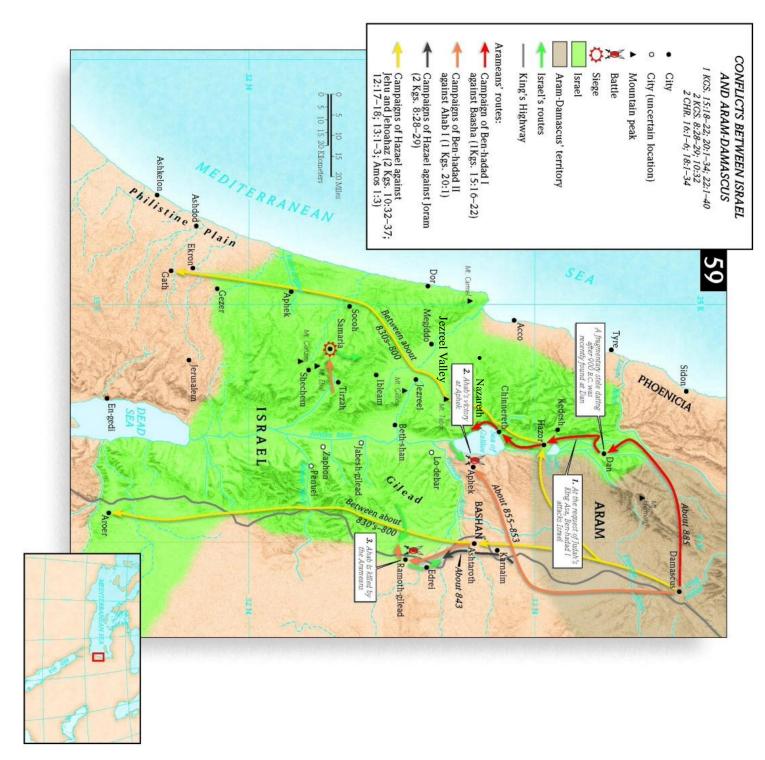
Handwork:

• Make a chariot with a horse. Printable and instruction are found at (835) Pinterest.

¹Ahaziah's name in 2 Chronicles 21:17 is Jehoahaz; elsewhere it is Ahaziah. Matthew Henry states that transposing *Jeho*- and *-ahaz* changes the name to *Ahaziah*.

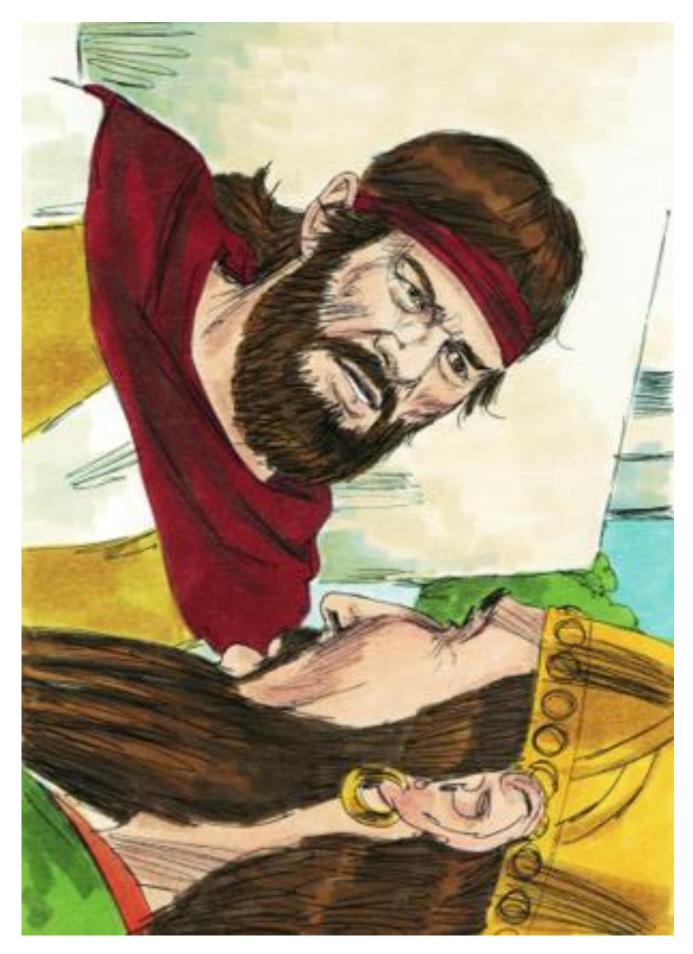
²The picture of the anointing found below incorrectly shows the two men in a tent rather than in a house.

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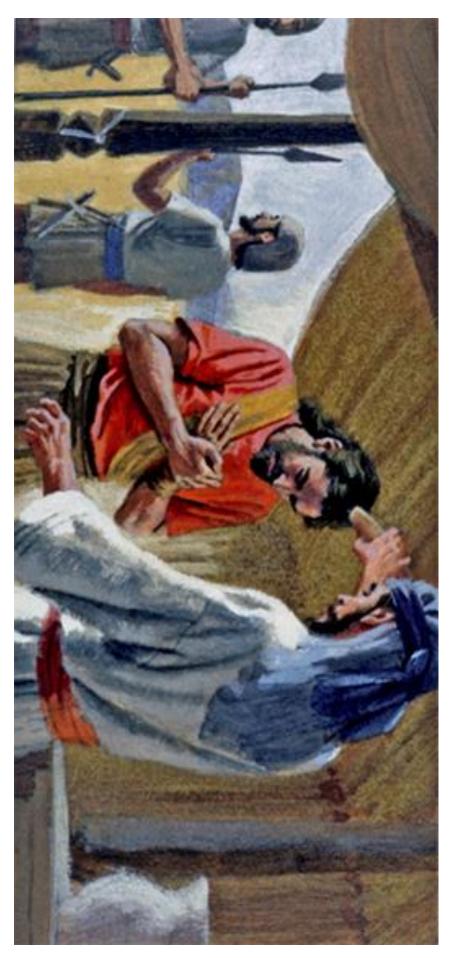


The View From My Chair: Chronological Reading Plan for June 28, 1 Kings 22, 2 Chron 18

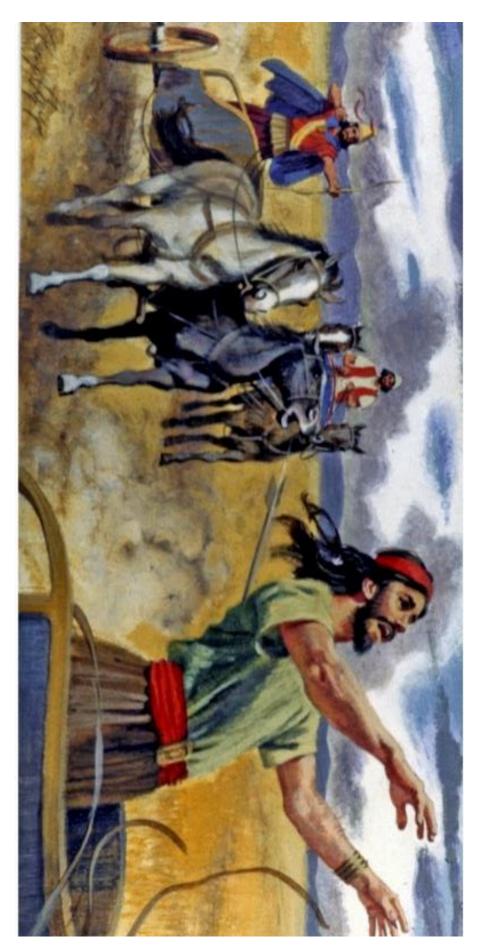
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