

# 2 Kings 10:30

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

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## Analysis

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This verse contributes to the overall theme of chapter 10: Zeal for God without heart transformation. The divine name emphasizes Yahweh's covenant relationship with Israel and His sovereign control over historical events. During this period, Israel and Judah struggled with persistent idolatry, particularly Baal worship introduced under Ahab and Jezebel.

The narrative demonstrates God's justice in judging covenant unfaithfulness while maintaining His ultimate purposes for redemption.

## Historical Context

**Historical Setting:** 2 Kings 10 takes place during Jehu's dynasty and the violent purge of Baal worship, around 841 BCE. The chapter's theme (Jehu's Purge Continues) reflects the historical reality of violent political revolution motivated by

zeal for Yahweh but lacking genuine heart transformation. Archaeological evidence from this period includes royal inscriptions, administrative documents, and material culture that corroborate the biblical account while providing additional context for understanding the political and social dynamics at work.

## Related Passages

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**Romans 10:9** — Confession and belief for salvation

**John 3:16** — God's love and salvation

## Study Questions

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1. How does this verse contribute to understanding the theological message of 2 Kings 10 regarding zeal for god without heart transformation?
2. What does this passage reveal about God's character, particularly His justice, mercy, and faithfulness to covenant promises?
3. In what practical ways should this text shape contemporary Christian thinking about faithfulness, worship, and obedience to God?

## Interlinear Text

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And the LORD said unto Jehu

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H559 H3068 H3058

אֲשֶׁר־יְהוָה־אֲלֵיכֶם  
And the LORD said unto Jehu

H413 H3282 H834

כָּל־בְּעֵינֵי  
Because thou hast done well and hast done that which is right in mine eyes

H2895 H6213 H3477 H5869

לִבְ יְהֻנֵּה  
according to all that was in mine heart and hast done unto the house

H3824 H6213 H1004

עַל־לִבְ  
of Ahab thy children of the fourth generation shall sit

H256 H1121 H7243 H3427

H0 H5921

וְשָׁרָאֵל:  
on the throne of Israel

H3678 H3478

## Additional Cross-References

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**2 Kings 10:35** (Parallel theme): And Jehu slept with his fathers: and they buried him in Samaria. And Jehoahaz his son reigned in his stead.

**2 Kings 13:1** (References Israel): In the three and twentieth year of Joash the son of Ahaziah king of Judah Jehoahaz the son of Jehu began to reign over Israel in Samaria, and reigned seventeen years.

**2 Kings 13:10** (References Israel): In the thirty and seventh year of Joash king of Judah began Jehoash the son of Jehoahaz to reign over Israel in Samaria, and reigned sixteen years.

**2 Kings 14:23** (References Israel): In the fifteenth year of Amaziah the son of Joash king of Judah Jeroboam the son of Joash king of Israel began to reign in Samaria, and reigned forty and one years.

