

2 Kings 6:10

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

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Analysis

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This verse contributes to the overall theme of chapter 6: God's protection and provision for His servants. The divine name emphasizes Yahweh's covenant relationship with Israel and His sovereign control over historical events. The reference to kingship reminds readers that all human authority is subordinate to God's ultimate kingship. The prophetic ministry served as God's primary means of covenant enforcement, calling both kings and people to faithfulness. 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 6 takes place during the Elisha prophetic ministry, approximately 850-800 BCE. The chapter's theme (Miracles and Siege) reflects the historical reality of God's compassionate provision through prophetic miracles while both kingdoms struggled with persistent idolatry. 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

Revelation 20:12 — Judgment according to deeds

Matthew 25:31 — Final judgment

Study Questions

1. How does this verse contribute to understanding the theological message of 2 Kings 6 regarding god's protection and provision for his servants?
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

וַיִּשְׁלַח	וְהַמֶּלֶךְ	יִשְׂרָאֵל	אֶל	הַמָּקוֹם	אֲשֶׁר	אָמַר	לֵאמֹר
sent	And the king	of Israel	H413	to the place	H834	told	H0
H7971	H4428	H3478		H4725		H559	
אִישׁ	הָאֱלֹהִים	וַהֲזָהִירָה	וַיִּנְשָׁמָה	לֹא	שָׁם		
which the man	of God	him and warned	him of and saved		H8033	H3808	
H376	H430	H2094	H8104				
אִם	וְלֹא	שְׁתַּיִם:					
himself there not once	H3808	nor twice					
H259		H8147					