

2 Kings 9:15

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

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Analysis

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This verse contributes to the overall theme of chapter 9: Divine judgment executed on Ahab's house. The reference to kingship reminds readers that all human authority is subordinate to God's ultimate kingship. 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 9 takes place during Jehu's dynasty and the violent purge of Baal worship, around 841 BCE. The chapter's theme (Jehu's Violent Revolution) 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

1 John 4:8 — God is love

John 15:13 — Greatest form of love

Study Questions

1. How does this verse contribute to understanding the theological message of 2 Kings 9 regarding divine judgment executed on ahab's house?
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

בְּמִפְרָאִים	מִן	בַּיּוֹרָאֵל:	לְהִתְרַפֵּא	אָמַר	יְהוָה	מִן	יְשַׁבֵּב
was returned	Joram	But king	to be healed			in Jezreel	of the wounds
H7725	H3088	H4428	H7495			H3157	H4347
רָאשֵׁה	וְהַיְתָה	בְּרִמְמָה	וְאָמַת	יְהוָה	וְאָשֵׁר	בְּהַלְלָה	לְאַתָּה
H834	had given	which the Syrians	him when he fought	H3898	H854	with Hazael	H2371
	H5221	H761					
אֲלֵיכֶם	נַפְשָׁכֶם	וְאִם	וְשִׁלְשָׁלָל	וְאִם	וְאִם	וְאִם	וְאִם
But king	of Syria	said	And Jehu	H518	If it be	your minds	then let none
H4428	H758	H559	H3058		H3426	H5315	H408
וְאַתָּה	וְאַתָּה	וְאַתָּה	וְאַתָּה	וְאַתָּה	וְאַתָּה	וְאַתָּה	וְאַתָּה
go forth	nor escape	H4480	out of the city	H1980	to tell	in Jezreel	
H3318	H6412		H5892		H5046	H3157	

Additional Cross-References

2 Kings 8:29 (Kingdom): And king Joram went back to be healed in Jezreel of the wounds which the Syrians had given him at Ramah, when he fought against Hazael king of Syria. And Ahaziah the son of Jehoram king of Judah went down to see Joram the son of Ahab in Jezreel, because he was sick.

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