

# 2 Kings 9:25

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 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

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**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

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**Hebrews 11:1** — Definition of faith

**James 2:17** — Faith and works

## Study Questions

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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

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**Then said** H413 **Jehu to Bidkar** H920 **his captain** H7991 **Take up** H5375 **and cast** H7993

זִכְרֵנְיָהּ תְּבִלְקֵעַ תְּ

**him in the portion** H2513 **of the field** H7704 **of Naboth** H5022 **the Jezreelite** H3158 **for remember** H2142

אַתְּ תְּאַתְּ פָּתָה אֲנָהּ

H589 H859 H853 **how that when I and thou rode** H7392 **together** H6776 **after** H310

פָּזָהּ אֲנָחָא בְּ

**Ahab** H256 **his father** H1 **the LORD** H3068 **Take up** H5375 **at** H5921 **at** H853 **this burden** H4853

## Additional Cross-References

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**1 Kings 21:19** (References Lord): And thou shalt speak unto him, saying, Thus saith the LORD, Hast thou killed, and also taken possession? And thou shalt speak unto him, saying, Thus saith the LORD, In the place where dogs licked the blood of Naboth shall dogs lick thy blood, even thine.

**Isaiah 13:1** (Parallel theme): The burden of Babylon, which Isaiah the son of Amoz did see.

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