

2 Kings 9:35

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

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Analysis

And they went to bury her: but they found no more of her than the skull, and the feet, and the palms of her hands.

This verse contributes to the overall theme of chapter 9: Divine judgment executed on Ahab's house. 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

James 2:17 — Faith and works

Romans 1:17 — The righteous shall live by faith

Genesis 1:1 — Creation of heavens and earth

Psalms 19:1 — Heavens declare God's glory

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

וְלֹא	לְקַבֵּרָהּ	וְלֹא	מָצְאוּ	בָּהּ	כִּי	אֵין
H1980	to bury H6912	H3808	her but they found H4672	H0	H3588	no more of her than H518
הַגִּלְגָּל לְ	וְהַרְגֵּלִים	וְכַפַּיּוֹת	הַיָּדַיִם:			
the skull H1538	and the feet H7272	and the palms H3709	of her hands H3027			

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