

# 2 Kings 9:5

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

**Ephesians 2:8** — Salvation by grace through faith

**Romans 1:17** — The righteous shall live by 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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| וְיַבְאֵת אֵלֶיךָ הַשִּׁרְיָן וְיַשְׁבֵּן יְמֵינוֹ |
| And when he came                                   | H2009  | To thee O captain                                  | of the host  |
| H935   | H8269  | H2428  | H3427  |
| וְיַבְאֵת אֵלֶיךָ הַשִּׁרְיָן וְיַשְׁבֵּן יְמֵינוֹ |
| Unto which of all us And he said                   | I have an errand                                   | H0   | To thee O captain                                  |
| H559   | H1697  | H413   | H8269  |
| וְיַבְאֵת אֵלֶיךָ הַשִּׁרְיָן וְיַשְׁבֵּן יְמֵינוֹ |
| Unto which of all us And he said                   | And Jehu   | H413   | H3605  |
| H559   | H3058  | H4310  |  |
| וְיַבְאֵת אֵלֶיךָ הַשִּׁרְיָן וְיַשְׁבֵּן יְמֵינוֹ |
| Unto which of all us And he said                   |  | To thee O captain                                  |  |
| H559   | H413   | H8269  |  |

