Greetings, today our manna is 2Kings 9; 1Tim. 6; Hosea <u>1; Psalm 119:73-96</u>

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2Kings 9

Jehu Anointed King of Israel

2Ki 9:1 And Elisha the prophet called one of the sons of the prophets, and said to him, "Gird your loins and take this flask of oil in your hand, and go to Ramoth Gil'ad.

2Ki 9:2 "And you shall go there and look there for Yěhu son of Yehoshaphat, son of Nimshi, and go in and make him rise up from among his brothers, and take him to an inner room,

2Ki 9:3 "and take the flask of oil, and pour it on his head, and say, 'Thus said **יהוה**, <mark>"I have anointed you sovereign over Yisra'ěl."</mark> ' <u>Then you shall open the door and flee, and do not wait."</u>

The young prophet does according to the instructions given by Elisha.

2Ki 9:4 So the young man – the young man the prophet – went to Ramoth Gil'ad,
2Ki 9:5 and came in and saw the commanders of the army sitting. And he said, "I have a message for you, O commander." And Yéhu said, "For which one of us?" And he said, "For you, commander."

2Ki 9:6 And he rose up and went into the house. And he poured the oil on his head, and said to him, "Thus said יהוה Elohim of Yisra'ěl, 'I have anointed you sovereign over the people of יהוה, over Yisra'ěl.

- 4 2Ki 9:7 <u>And you shall strike the house of Ahab your master, and I shall avenge the blood of My servants the prophets, and the blood of all the servants of יהוה, at the hand of Izebel.</u>
- 2Ki 9:8 And all the house of Ahab shall perish. And I shall cut off from Ahab all the males in Yisra'ěl, both those shut up and those left at large.
- 2Ki 9:9 And I shall give up the house of Ahab like the house of Yarob'am son of Nebat, and like the house of Ba'asha son of Ahiyah.
- 4 2Ki 9:10 And the dogs are going to eat Izebel in the portion of Yizre'ěl, with none to bury her.' "Then he opened the door and fled.

2Ki 9:11 And Yěhu came out to the servants of his master, and one said to him, "Is there peace? Why did this madman come to you?" And he said to them, "You know the man and his talk."

2Ki 9:12 And they said, "A lie! Reveal it to us now." So he said, "Thus and thus he

spoke to me, saying, 'Thus said יהוה,

- 🖊 "I have anointed you sovereign over Yisra'ěl." ' "
- 4 2Ki 9:13 And they hurried, and each one took his garment and put it under him on the top of the steps.
- And they blew with the shophar, saying, "Yehu reigns!"

Jehu Assassinates Joram and Ahaziah

2Ki 9:14 Thus <u>Yěhu son of Yehoshaphat, son of Nimshi</u>, conspired against Yoram – now Yoram had been guarding Ramoth Gil'ad, he and all Yisra'ěl, against Ḥaza'ěl sovereign of Aram.

2Ki 9:15 But Sovereign Yehoram had returned to Yizre'ěl to recover from the wounds with which the Arameans had stricken him when he fought with Haza'ěl sovereign of Aram – Yěhu now said, "If this is your desire, let no one leave or escape from the city to go and make it known in Yizre'ěl!"

2Ki 9:16 And Yéhu rode in a chariot and went to Yizre'ěl, for <u>Yoram was laid up there.</u> And Ahazyah sovereign of Yehudah had come down to see Yoram.

2Ki 9:17 And <u>a watchman stood on the tower in Yizre'ěl, and he saw the company</u> of Yěhu as he came, and said, "I see a company of men." And Yehoram said, "Get a horseman and send him to meet them, and let him say, 'Is there peace?'"

- 4 2Ki 9:18 And the horseman went to meet him, and said, "Thus said the sovereign, 'Is there peace?' "
- And Yehu said, "What have you to do with peace? Turn around and follow me."
 - And the watchman spoke, saying, "The messenger went to them, but is not coming back."
- 4 2Ki 9:19 Then he sent out a second horseman who came to them, and said, "Thus said the sovereign, 'Is there peace?' "
- And Yěhu answered, "What have you to do with peace? Turn around and follow me."
 - 2Ki 9:20 And the watchman spoke, saying, "He went up to them and is not coming back. And the driving is like the driving of Yěhu son of Nimshi, for he drives madly!"
- 2Ki 9:21 Then Yehoram said, "Hitch up." And his chariot was hitched up. And Yehoram sovereign of Yisra'ěl and Ahazyahu sovereign of Yehudah went out, each in his chariot. And they went out to meet Yěhu, and met him on the portion of Naboth the Yizre'ělite.
- 2Ki 9:22 And it came to be, when Yehoram saw Yéhu, that he said, "Is there peace, Yéhu?"
- But he answered, <u>"What peace, as long as the whorings of your mother</u> <u>Izebel and her witchcraft are so many?"</u>

Both kings flee from Yehu.

2Ki 9:23 Thereupon **Yehoram turned his hands around and fled, and said** to **Ahazyahu**, "Treachery, O Ahazyah!"

Yehu kills Yehoram and we see Naboth remembered.

2Ki 9:24 And Yěhu drew his bow and struck Yehoram between his arms. And the arrow came out at his heart, and he sank down in his chariot.

2Ki 9:25 And Yěhu said to Bidqar his officer, "Take him up, and throw him into the portion of the field of Naboth the Yizre'ělite. Remember how you and I were riding together behind Aḥab his father, and יהוה lifted up this pronouncement against him: 2Ki 9:26 Have I not seen the blood of Naboth and the blood of his sons last night?' declares יהוה. 'And I shall repay you in this portion,' declares יהוה. And now, take up, throw him on the portion, according to the word of .'"

Yehu pursues Ahazyah. Ahazyah dies in Megiddo.

2Ki 9:27 And Ahazyah sovereign of Yehudah saw this and fled up the way to Běyth Haggan. And Yěhu pursued him, and said, "Strike him, him too, in the chariot," at the ascent to Gur, which is by Yible'am. And <u>he fled to Meğiddo, and died there.</u>
2Ki 9:28 <u>Then his servants conveyed him in the chariot to Yerushalayim, and buried him in his burial-place with his fathers in the City of Dawid.</u>

2Ki 9:29 And in the eleventh year of Yoram son of Ahab, Ahazyah began to reign over Yehudah.

Jehu Executes Jezebel

Jezebel reaps what she has sown. She puts on her royal attire as to command position and authority but to no avail.

2Ki 9:30 And <u>Yehu came to Yizre'el, and Izebel heard of it</u>. <u>And she put paint on</u> <u>her eyes and adorned her head, and looked through a window.</u>

2Ki 9:31 And as Yěhu came to the gate, she said, "Is it peace, Zimri, killer of your master?" [See F. B. Meyer's commentary that follows in reference to Zimri.]

2Ki 9:32 And he lifted up his face to the window and said, "Who is with me? Who?" And two, three eunuchs looked down to him.

2Ki 9:33 And he said, "Throw her down." And they threw her down, and some of her blood spattered on the wall and on the horses, and he trampled her under foot.

2Ki 9:34 <u>And he went in, and he ate and drank, and said</u>, "Go now, see to this cursed one, and bury her, for she was a sovereign's daughter."

2Ki 9:35 So they went to bury her, but all they found of her was the skull and the feet and the palms of the hands.

2Ki 9:36 And they came back and informed him. And he said, "This is the word of **יהוה**, which He spoke by His servant Ěliyahu the Tishbite, saying, 'In the portion of Yizre'ěl dogs are going to eat the flesh of Izebel,

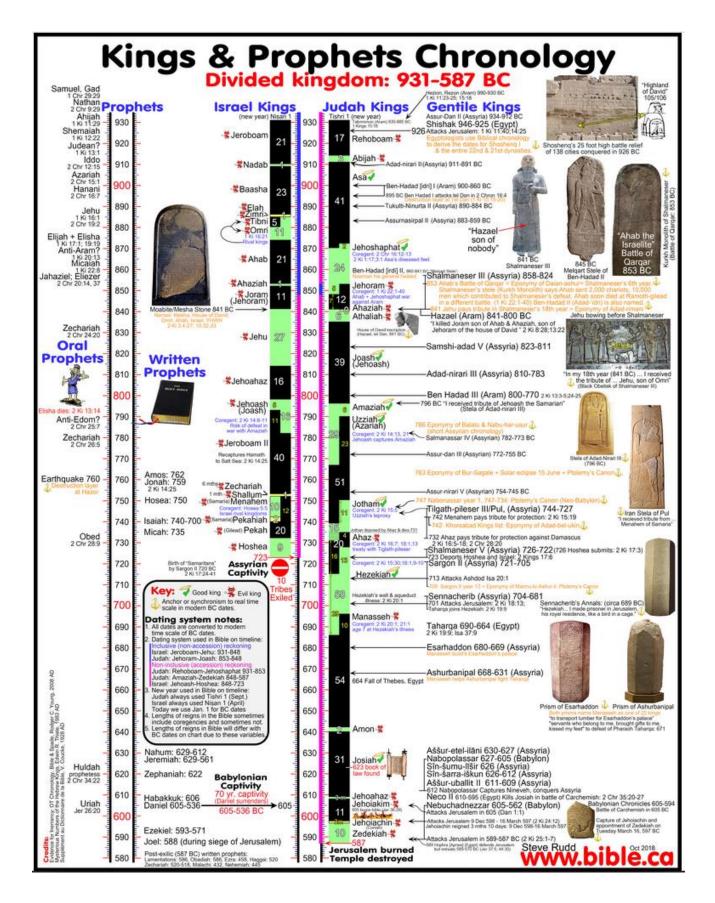
2Ki 9:37 and the corpse of Izebel shall be as dung on the surface of the field, in the portion of Yizre'ěl, so that they do not say, "This is Izebel." '

F. B. Meyer Recap: 2 Kings 9:27-37 "THE WORD OF THE LORD BY ELIJAH"

Let us read again <u>1Ki_21:23</u>. How those words came back to the two men, who had heard them from the lips of God's servant years before! God's mills grind slowly, but to powder. In a deep sense Ahab's blood was licked by dogs, as it flowed from the gaping wounds of his son. As a man sows he reaps, and when his children follow his steps, they too reap. But Ezekiel makes it perfectly clear that a godly son may break the entail of his father's iniquities. See <u>Eze_18:1-32</u>, which has a most important bearing on the modern doctrine of heredity.

Jezebel's heart was proud and unbroken. She thought to make the conqueror the slave of her charms. When these failed, she taunted him with the fate of Zimri, so closely associated with the rise of Ahab's family to the throne. His reign of seven days was thrown in Jehu's teeth, <u>1Ki 16:15</u>, *etc.* But Jezebel could not avert her fate. Her very chamberlains turned against her. How often does God's representative ask the same question, "Who is on my side?" Let us heed the challenge and dare to "look out" in answer! There is service appointed for us all, and we must not fail to render it.

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1Tim. 6

Paul's words to Timothy speak for themselves; and to this day they still speak to all YHWH's set-apart ones.

1Ti 6:1 Let those who are servants under a yoke regard their own masters worthy of all respect, lest the Name of Elohim and His teaching be blasphemed.

False Teachers and True Contentment

1Ti 6:2 And those who have believing masters, let them not disregard them because they are brothers, but rather serve them because they are believing and beloved ones, those receiving of the good service in return. Teach and urge these *matters*.

1Ti 6:3 If anyone teaches differently and does not agree to the sound words, those of our Master יהושע Messiah, and to the teaching which is according to reverence,

1Ti 6:4 he is puffed up, understanding none at all, but is sick about questionings and verbal battles from which come envy, strife, slander, wicked suspicions,

1Ti 6:5 worthless disputes of men of corrupt minds and deprived of the truth, who think that reverence is a means of gain – withdraw from such.

1Ti 6:6 But reverence with contentment is great gain.

1Ti 6:7 For we brought naught into the world, and it is impossible to take any out.

1Ti 6:8 When we have food and covering, we shall be satisfied with these.

1Ti 6:9 But those wishing to be rich fall into trial and a snare, and into many foolish and injurious lusts which plunge men in ruin and destruction.

1Ti 6:10 For the love of silver^a is a root of all kinds of evil, for which some, by longing for it, have strayed from the belief, and pierced themselves through with many pains. Footnote: ^aImplying money.

Paul then encourages Timothy to fight the good fight of faith!

1Ti 6:11 But you, O man of Elohim, flee from all this, and pursue righteousness, reverence, belief, love, endurance, meekness.

1Ti 6:12 Fight the good fight of the belief, lay hold on everlasting life, to which you were also called and have confessed the good confession before many witnesses.

1Ti 6:13 In the sight of Elohim who gives life to all, and <mark>of Messiah יהושע who</mark> witnessed the good confession before Pontius Pilate, I charge you:

1Ti 6:14 that you <u>guard the command^b spotlessly</u>, <u>blamelessly</u>, until the appearing of our Master יהושע Messiah, Footnote: ^bCommand (singular) often means commands, e.g. <u>Deu 17:20</u>, <u>Psa 19:8</u>.

1Ti 6:15 which in His own seasons He shall reveal – <u>the blessed and only Ruler, the</u> <u>Sovereign of sovereigns and Master of masters,</u>

1Ti 6:16 who alone has immortality, dwelling in unapproachable light, whom no

one has seen or is able to see, to whom be respect and everlasting might. Amen.

1Ti 6:17 Charge those who are rich in this present age not to be high-minded, nor to trust in the uncertainty of riches, but in the living Elohim, who gives us richly all for enjoyment,

1Ti 6:18 to do good, to be rich in good works,^C to be generous, ready to share, Footnote: ^CSee <u>Mat_16:27</u>.

1Ti 6:19 storing up for themselves a good foundation for the time to come, so that they lay hold on everlasting life.

1Ti 6:20 O Timotiyos! Watch over that which has been entrusted to you, turning aside from the profane and empty babblings and contradictions of the falsely called 'knowledge,'

1Ti 6:21 which some, having professed it, have missed *the goal* concerning the belief. Favour be with you. Aměn.

Hosea Introduction

Outline and brief introduction by F. B. Meyer to the Book of Hosea:

OUTLINE OF HOSEA

God's Love for His Apostate People

How shall I give thee up, Ephraim? how shall I cast thee off, Israel? <u>Hos_11:8</u>

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INTRODUCTION TO HOSEA

Hosea was probably a native and a subject of the Northern Kingdom, and exercised his ministry during the turbulent reigns of the last six or seven of its kings-a period of about sixty years. The moral and religious condition of Israel was very corrupt. God and His Word were ignored; the kings and princes were murderers and profligates; idolatrous priests maintained their shameful rites in all parts of the country; the great political parties applied for help now from Assyria and then from Egypt.

It has been supposed that the domestic incidents referred to in <u>Hos_1:1-11</u>; <u>Hos_2:1-23</u>; <u>Hos_3:1-5</u> are parabolic; but to hold this view is to miss the most moving lesson of the suffering which love, whether

human or divine, is prepared to undergo, if only the lost can be found and the erring brought back to life and home.

Hosea 1

Hos 1:1 The word of יהוה that came to Hoshěa son of Be'ěri, in the days of

- \rm Uzziyah,
- Yotham,
- 📥 Aḥaz, and
- ¥ Yehizqiyah, sovereigns of Yehudah,
- **4** and in the days of Yarob'am son of Yo'ash, sovereign of Yisra'ěl.

Hosea's Wife and Children

Hos 1:2 The beginning of the word of **init** with Hoshěa. And **init** said to Hoshěa,

- Go, take yourself a woman of whoring and children of whoring, for the land has utterly whored away from יהוה."
- Hos 1:3 So he went and took Gomer, daughter of Diblayim, and she conceived and bore him a son.

Hos 1:4 And יהוה said to him,

- "Call his name Yizre'ěl, for in a little while I shall revenge the bloodshed of Yizre'ěl on the house of Yěhu, and put an end to the reign of the house of Yisra'ěl.
- Hos 1:5 "And it shall be in that day that I shall break the bow of Yisra'ěl in the Valley of Yizre'ěl."

Hos 1:6 And she conceived again and bore a daughter. And He said to him,

- "Call her name Lo-Ruhamah, for no longer do I have compassion on the house of Yisra'ěl so as to forgive them at all. BDB Defn. Lo-ruhamah = "no mercy"
- Hos 1:7 "But I shall have compassion on the house of Yehudah and save them by הוה their Elohim, and not save them by bow or by sword or battle, by horses or horsemen."

Hos 1:8 And she weaned Lo-Ruhamah, and conceived and bore a son,

Hos 1:9 then He said, "Call his name Lo-Ammi, for you are not My people, and I am not for you. BDB Defn. Lo-ammi = "not my people"

Hos 1:10 "Yet the number of the children of Yisra'ěl shall be as the sand of the sea, which is not measured nor counted. And it shall be in the place where it was said to them, 'You are not My people,' they shall be called,

<u>'You are the sons of the living Ěl.'</u>

Hos 1:11 "And the children of Yehudah and the children of Yisra'el shall be gathered together, and appoint for themselves one head, and shall come up out of the earth, for great is the day of Yizre'el!

Make no mistake. We are present in Hosea 1:10-11. His Word is still being fulfilled and we exist within its very pages. We are Israel. We are being gathered as the one new man with Yahusha HaMashiach as head. [Col. 1:18] The two sticks becoming one.

The Future Glory of Israel

Isa 60:1 "Arise, shine, for your light has come! And the esteem of יהוה has risen upon you. Isa 60:2 "For look, darkness covers the earth, and thick darkness the peoples. But יהוה arises over you, and His esteem is seen upon you.

Isa 60:3 "And the nations shall come to your light,^a and sovereigns to the brightness of your rising. Footnote: ^a <u>Isa 60:19-20</u>, <u>Rev 21:23-24</u>.

Isa 60:4 "Lift up your eyes all around and see: all of them have gathered, they have come to you; your sons come from afar, and your daughters are supported on the side.

Isa 60:5 "Then you shall see and be bright, and your heart shall throb and swell, for the wealth of the sea is turned to you, the riches of the nations come to you.

Isa 60:6 "A stream of camels cover your land, the dromedaries of Midyan and Ěphah; all those from Sheba come, bearing gold and incense, and proclaiming the praises of יהוה.

Isa 60:7 "All the flocks of Qědar are gathered to you, the rams of Nebayoth serve you; they come up for acceptance on My slaughter-place, and I embellish My esteemed House.

Isa 60:8 "Who are these who fly like a cloud, and like doves to their windows?

Isa 60:9 "Because the coastlands wait for Me, and the ships of Tarshish first, to bring your sons from afar, their silver and their gold with them, to the Name of יהוה your Elohim, and to the Setapart One of Yisra'ěl, because He has adorned you.

Isa 60:10 "And the sons of foreigners shall build your walls, and their sovereigns serve you. For in My wrath I have stricken you, but in My delight I shall have compassion on you.

Isa 60:11 "And your gates shall be open continually, they are not shut day or night, to bring to you the wealth of the nations, and their sovereigns in procession.

Isa 60:12 "For the nation and the reign that do not serve you shall perish, and those nations shall be utterly laid waste.

Isa 60:13 "The esteem of Lebanon shall come to you, cypress, pine, and the box tree together, to embellish the place of My set-apart place. And I shall make the place of My feet esteemed.

Isa 60:14 "And the sons of those who afflicted you come bowing to you, and all those who despised you shall bow themselves at the soles of your feet. And they shall call you: City of ריהוה, Tsiyon of the Set-apart One of Yisra'ěl.

Isa 60:15 "Instead of you being forsaken and hated, so that no one passes through you, I shall make you an everlasting excellence, a joy of many generations.

Isa 60:16 "And you shall suck the milk of the nations, and shall suckle the breast of sovereigns. And you shall know that I, יהוה, your Saviour and your Redeemer, am the Mighty *One* of Ya'aqob. Isa 60:17 "Instead of bronze I bring gold, and instead of iron I bring silver, and bronze instead of wood, and iron instead of stones. And I shall make your officers peace, and your magistrates righteousness.

Isa 60:18 "Violence shall no longer be heard in your land, neither wasting nor ruin within your borders. And you shall call your walls Deliverance, and your gates Praise.

Isa 60:19 "No longer is the sun your light by day, nor does the moon give light to you for brightness, but יהוה shall be to you an everlasting light, and your Elohim your comeliness.

Isa 60:20 "No longer does your sun go down, nor your moon withdraw itself, for יהוה shall be your everlasting light, and the days of your mourning shall be ended.

Isa 60:21 "And your people, all of them righteous, shall inherit the earth forever – a branch of My planting, a work of My hands, to be adorned.

Isa 60:22 "The little shall become a thousand, and the small one a strong nation.^b I, יהוה, shall hasten it in its time." Footnote: ^bSee <u>Isa_41:14</u>, <u>Dan_2:34-44</u>.

Psalm 119:73-96

In these verses, the psalmist is crying out to YHWH from a point of trial and distress, asking Him to save him.

The following is a story of another man speaking the words of Psalm 119. This man had been in a similar circumstance, only he had been condemned to death. His name was George Wishart, Bishop of Edinburgh in the 18th century. His story follows. How divine and timely these words were as he recited Psalms 119 from memory. Even more miraculous, was the outcome.

...Perhaps the most unusual story of the benefit to memorizing this psalm is the story of George Wishart, Bishop of Edinburgh in the 18th century. He found himself in a difficult spot as he was being condemned to death. He was confident of a pardon that had not yet arrived, even at the moment he stood on the scaffold to meet his fate. Taking advantage of the time-honored tradition of allowing the condemned man to pray a psalm, Wishart chose to recite in prayer the text of the 119th psalm. Before he was finished praying, the delayed pardon arrived and his life was spared. One can only imagine his ill fortune had he not memorized this psalm!

Keep this link as a good reference for a beautiful approach to reading Psalm 119. <u>https://www.lifetolifeblog.com/how-to-read-psalm-119/</u>

Psa 119:73 **Yod** Your hands have made me and formed me; Make me understand, that I might learn Your commands.

Psa 119:74 Those who fear You see me and rejoice, For I have waited for Your Word.

Psa 119:75 I know, O יהוה, <u>That Your right-rulings are righteous</u>, <u>And in</u> trustworthiness You have afflicted me.

Psa 119:76 Please let Your loving-commitment be for my comfort, According to Your word to Your servant.

Psa 119:77 Let Your compassions come to me, That I might live, For Your Torah is my delight.

Psa 119:78 Let the proud be put to shame, For with lies they perverted me; *But* I study Your orders.

Psa 119:79 Let those who fear You turn to me, And those who know Your witnesses.

Psa 119:80 Let my heart be perfect in Your laws, So that I am not put to shame.

Psa 119:81 **Kaph** For Your deliverance my being has pined away, For I have waited for Your word.

Psa 119:82 My eyes have pined away for Your word, Saying, "When would it comfort me?"

Psa 119:83 For I have become like a wineskin in the smoke, Your laws I have not forgotten.

Psa 119:84 How many are the days of Your servant? When do You execute right-ruling On those who persecute me?

Psa 119:85 The proud have dug pits for me, Which is not according to Your Torah.

Psa 119:86 All Your commands are trustworthy; They have persecuted me with lies; Help me!

Psa 119:87 They almost made an end of me on earth, <u>But I, I did not forsake Your</u> orders.

Psa 119:88 Revive me according to Your loving-commitment, That I might guard the witness of Your mouth.

Psa 119:89 Lamed Forever, O יהוה, Your word stands firm in the heavens.

Psa 119:90 <u>Your trustworthiness is to all generations</u>; You established the earth, and it stands.

Psa 119:91 According to Your right-rulings They have stood to this day, For all are Your servants.

Psa 119:92 If Your Torah had not been my delight, I would have perished in my affliction.

Psa 119:93 Let me never forget Your orders, For by them You have given me life.

Psa 119:94 I am Yours, save me; For I have sought Your orders.

Psa 119:95 The wrong have waited for me to destroy me; I understand Your witnesses.

Psa 119:96 I have seen an end of all perfection; Your command is exceedingly broad.

'You are the sons of the living Ěl.'

~ Shalom ~ Líbby

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