

# Sovereign Over Great & Small

2 Kings 8:1-15

1. The Ministry of God's \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 1-6)
  - a. A prophet's reward – part \_\_\_\_
    - i. Reminder of part 1 – \_\_\_\_\_ life
    - ii. Reminder of part 2 – \_\_\_\_\_ life (4:8-37)
    - iii. Part 3 – \_\_\_\_\_ life
  - b. A prophet's reward – part \_\_\_\_
    - i. Circumstances – lost \_\_\_\_\_
    - ii. Possibility – lost \_\_\_\_\_ (think Naomi)
    - iii. Circumstances – a report to the \_\_\_\_\_
    - iv. Provision – \_\_\_\_\_ provisions for life
  - c. God's work on behalf of the Shunamite
    - i. Showed His \_\_\_\_\_ to a needy woman
    - ii. Exposed Joram's \_\_\_\_\_ with Elisha
2. The Ministry of God's \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 7-10)
  - a. Extends beyond a \_\_\_\_\_'s ministry
    - i. Fulfilment of \_\_\_\_\_'s calling
    - ii. Following Elijah's \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. Extends beyond Israel's \_\_\_\_\_
    - i. An unusual \_\_\_\_\_
    - ii. An unusual \_\_\_\_\_
    - iii. An unusual \_\_\_\_\_
3. The Ministry of God's \_\_\_\_\_ (11-15)
  - a. The penetrating \_\_\_\_\_
    - i. \_\_\_\_\_ for the messenger
    - ii. \_\_\_\_\_ for the prophet
  - b. The presentation of \_\_\_\_\_
    - i. \_\_\_\_\_ of the wicked
    - ii. Design of the \_\_\_\_\_ heart

*The one who receives a prophet because he is a prophet will receive a prophet's reward...*

Matthew 10:41a

*For God is not unjust so as to overlook your work and the love that you have shown for his name in serving the saints, as you still do.*

Hebrews 6:10

*And the LORD said to [Elijah], 'Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus. And when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael to be king over Syria. And Jehu the son of Nimshi you shall anoint to be king over Israel, and Elisha the son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah you shall anoint to be prophet in your place. And the one who escapes from the sword of Hazael shall Jehu put to death, and the one who escapes from the sword of Jehu shall Elisha put to death.*

1 Kings 19:15-17

*In those days the LORD began to cut off parts of Israel. Hazael defeated them throughout the territory of Israel... And the anger of the LORD was kindled against Israel, and he gave them continually into the hand of Hazael king of Syria and into the hand of Ben-hadad the son of Hazael.*

2 Kings 10:32; 13:3

*Say to them, As I live, declares the LORD GOD, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from his way and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways, for why will you die, O house of Israel?*

Ezekiel 33:11

## **Follow-Up Quote**

*“Assyrian records confirm that Hazael did control Syria by 842 BC and that he is called ‘a son of a nobody.’ In other words, he was known as a usurper. Hazael rules from about 842 to 806 BC and, despite some setbacks at the hands of Assyria, manages to wield serious military influence in his region. Israel is forced to yield to him throughout his reign.”*

*(Paul R. House, *The New American Commentary 1,2 Kings*, 1995, p. 284)*