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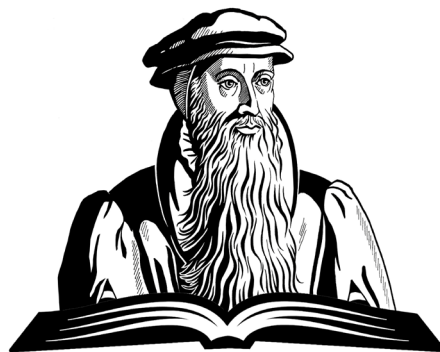
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**Old Testament**

**Lesson 74:**

**Elisha's Voice is Heard**

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### Old Testament

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*77 Lessons presented by Mr. Daniel Van Brugge*

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# Lesson 74

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## Elisha's Voice is Heard

The Second Book of the Kings, chapters 6 thru 10,  
and the Second Book of Chronicles, chapters 21 thru 22

### Memory Verse

*“And he answered, Fear not: for they that be with us are more than they that be with them.”*

2 Kings 6:16

### Historical Summary

The Lord worked many miracles by the hand of Elisha. This drew attention to his words, and caused people to consider his message. One miracle occurred when he rescued a borrowed axe head. It had fallen into the water, and Elisha caused the axe head to float so it could be retrieved. Elisha repeatedly spoiled the plans of the Syrians to ambush the king of Israel. The Lord told Elisha where the king of Syria was hiding and he would advise the king not to go there. This made



the king of Syria very angry with Elisha, and he vowed to kill him. The Syrians came to the city of Dothan where Elisha was staying, and Elisha's servant saw their great army and was afraid. But Elisha prayed the Lord to open his servant's eyes, and then he could see all around them horses and chariots of fire protecting Elisha. Then Elisha prayed God to make all the Syrian army blind, and Elisha said he would help them because they could not see.. He led them into Samaria right up to the king of Israel. Elisha prayed again to give them their sight back, and when they saw where they were, they became

afraid. But Elisha told the king of Israel to feed them and send them back to their master.

After this, King Ben-hadad of Syria besieged Samaria with a great host, surrounding the city and cutting off all their supplies, and there was great famine in the land. The king of Israel blamed Elisha for this. But Elisha prophesied that the very next day they would have plenty of food, and one of the king's courtiers mocked Elisha's words. Elisha responded by telling this man he would see the promised food, but he would not be able to eat it. That night the Lord caused the army of the Syrians to hear a great noise of chariots and horses, and they thought they were being attacked. They all ran away in the night, leaving their tents and animals and supplies. The next morning,

four lepers ventured out of the city and found the empty Syrians camp, and it was full of food! They told the city, and everyone ran out of the gate to get food. The man who mocked Elisha saw the food, but he was trampled in the gate by the hungry multitude, and he died.

Since Elisha knew this famine was coming, he told the woman whose son he had raised from the dead to go and live in another land for some time, which she did. When she returned after seven years, someone had taken her land, so she cried to the king for it to be restored, and through Elisha's influence, he restored it. In another incident, Elisha was visited by Hazael who asked if his master Ben-hadad would recover from his sickness. Elisha said he would recover from the sickness, but still he would die. That proved true because Hazael smothered his master's face with a wet cloth, killing him. Then Hazael became the king of Syria.

Judah's King Jehoram (also spelled Joram) put down a revolt by Edom before he died, and his son Ahaziah reigned in his place. His mother was the daughter of Ahab and Jezebel, so he was friendly with the ruling family in Israel. Elisha called one of the prophets to secretly anoint Jehu to be the king of Israel, and to tell Jehu to punish the house of Ahab for their great wickedness. After he was anointed, Jehu drove a chariot to Jezreel where Jehoram and Ahaziah were staying, and he boldly killed them both. Then he proceeded to kill the wicked woman, Jezebel, and he caused the 70 sons of Ahab to be killed. That was the end of the family of Ahab. They were destroyed by God for their wickedness.

Finally, he devised a plan to kill all the Baal worshippers in the land at one time. To do this, he proclaimed a solemn assembly for Baal, and called all who worshipped Baal throughout Israel. So all the Baal worshippers gathered together in the house of Baal. When all of them were inside, he had his men block the doorways and kill everyone inside. So Baal worship was destroyed by Jehu. But Jehu did not worship God with all his heart. We see this because he still allowed people to worship in Dan and Bethel instead of in Jerusalem.

### **The Gospel in the Old Testament**

The Lord sent many prophets to speak unto the people both in Judah and in Israel. One of these prophets was Elisha, who took the place of Elijah when he was taken away into heaven. Elisha spoke a message of well and of woe, of warning and invitation. The Lord desired that His sinful people would turn unto him and live. These prophets spoke of a coming Mediator, God's Son, whose life, death, and resurrection would open the way for guilty sinners to be received into favor with God. Many people rejected this message. But there was a remnant in Judah and in Israel for whom this message was glad tidings. That same message divides all people even today. Have you learned your need for this Mediator, the Lord Jesus Christ?

### **Questions**

1. Why did the Lord repeatedly perform miracles in Israel by the hand of Elisha?
  - a. To show how much He loved Elisha.
  - b. To show the other prophets how they should try to do the same.
  - c. To encourage people to listen to his words.
  - d. To provide a way of feeding the people.

2. How were the starving people of Israel supplied with food again?
  - a. A very large harvest was reaped from the fields.
  - b. They traveled to Egypt to buy food there.
  - c. The king of Syria offered a gift of food to the king of Israel.
  - d. God caused the Syrian army to run away, and lepers found food in the camp.
  
3. Which of the following are NOT true concerning the work of Elisha?
  - a. He was able to foretell a coming famine.
  - b. He had influence on the king's decision to restore a woman's property.
  - c. He predicted that Benhadad would die.
  - d. He said that Hazael would be a blessing to the nation of Judah.
  
4. Which of the following was not appointed by God to be killed by Jehu?
  - a. Ahaziah
  - b. Jehoram
  - c. Jezebel
  - d. Athaliah
  
5. Which of the following were not among those destroyed by Jehu?
  - a. Seventy sons of Ahab.
  - b. Baal worshippers who were gathered in one place.
  - c. Friends of Ahab's family.
  - d. Prophets of the Lord.

**Essay Questions**

1. Compare the miracles performed by the hand of Elisha with the miracles of the Lord Jesus. What did the people think of Elisha? Of Jesus? How did the life of Elijah point the people to their need of a deliverer, a Redeemer and a Savior?

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2. Why did the famine come upon the land? Show that God faithfully provided for an unfaithful people.

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3. Show that the voice of Elisha was a voice of truth from God, and that many respected him even though they did not always listen to him.

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4. What terrible mistake did Ahaziah make that eventually led to his death?

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5. What was right and what was wrong with the zeal of Jehu? What lessons can we learn from this man for our lives today?

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6. What message did the prophets bring to Israel? How is that the same message as the ministers of God bring today?

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