

## **2 KINGS WEEK FIVE – February 10, 2022**

### **Questions for 2 Kings 13-15**

This week we shift from the Elijah/Elisha prophetic cycle to an evaluation of the kings who come to power in Judah and Israel. This week's assignment is to evaluate each king in these chapters. God's criteria for a good and faithful king was –

- Did they worship the God of Israel?
- Did they worship the God of Israel *only*?
- Did they rid their kingdom of idolatry?
- Did they remain faithful to the Davidic covenant? (God will establish a permanent home for Israel, God will bless the house of David and raise up offspring to carry it on, God will raise up a messianic/forever king.)
- Were they corrupt or unjust?

1. Why was the “anger of God against Israel?
2. What did Israel do when they were given a second chance?
3. How long did Jehoash reign over Israel? How would you judge him based on the criteria for faithful kings?
4. What was the last prophesy that Elisha gave to the King of Israel?
5. How did Elisha heal a dead man and what was significance of this miracle?
6. How does King Amaziah of Judah fit the “kingly criteria?” What were his strengths and deficits?
7. What was the challenge that Amaziah made to Jehoash? What was the outcome of the meeting between Amaziah and Jehoash?
8. Why did Amaziah flee to Lachish?
9. How was Azariah made king?

10. Under the reign of Jeroboam II in Israel, what did God see when God looked upon Israel?
11. How did God save Israel?
12. Describe the “righteousness” of Azariah?
13. How and why did God “strike” Azariah?
14. How does Zechariah measure up in the “criteria of kings?” How would you evaluate his moral character? How would you rate his effectiveness as a king?
15. What did Shallum, son of Jabesh do?
16. How did King Menahem do as King? How do you judge him? How does God judge him?
17. What did Menahem give to Pul, the King of Syria?
18. What did Menahem get from the wealthy people of Israel?
19. How did Menahem’s son Pekahiah die? How would you judge his kingship?
20. What did Tiglath-Pileser, king of Assyria, do in the land of Naphtali?
21. Who led the conspiracy against Pekah?
22. Evaluate King Jotham of Judah. Good? Bad? Both? How did his spiritual life fit into this evaluation?
23. How did God use King Rezin of Syria and Pekah?

# The Genealogy of the Kings of Ancient Israel and Judah

