

## Succession

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2 Kings 1 and 2:1-18

### 2 Kings 1 – A King’s Succession

1. A father’s heart is passed down
2. We all make choices
3. God is still in control

### 2 Kings 2 – A Prophet’s Succession

1. God calls Elisha to succeed Elijah
2. Elisha is “all-in”
3. God is still in control

### What’s in a name?

Elijah = Yahweh is God

Elisha = God is salvation (God saves)

They point back to the Promised Land and forward to the Messiah

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## Going Deeper

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We encourage you to get into God’s word this week. Below is a daily reading plan to help you read the Bible each day and learn more about today’s message. This short investment of time will pay off huge dividends in your knowledge of God’s Word and your relationship with God.

Below each reading is a question or two to reflect on throughout your day. If you are journaling you can write down your response and whatever else you got out of it (e.g. what the Holy Spirit is telling you).

#### Day 1: 2 Kings 1

- Reviewing your sermon notes (part 1), what do you remember and what is God saying to you now?

#### Day 2: 2 Kings 2:1-18

- Reviewing your sermon notes (part 2), what do you remember and what is God saying to you now?

#### Day 3: 2 Kings 2:19-25

- God picks up with Elisha as he was with Elijah and does two things through Elisha...the healing of the water and sending a bear. What practical reason does vs. 23-25 have and what do these things say about God.

#### Day 4: 2 Timothy 2:1-2

- Here is a call to multiply ourselves as disciples. Who are you discipling/ influencing and passing your faith on to? Pray about that and reflect on it today.

#### Day 5: Proverbs 22:6 and Ephesians 6:4

- Reflect on the role of the parent and pray today for your children (or future children) to walk with Jesus closely. Pray also for the children in our church to do the same.

#### Day 6: 2 Corinthians 9:6-11

- What have we learned about reaping and sowing as we have studied the life of Elijah?

#### Day 7: Romans 13:1-7 and Acts 5:29

- What is our proper response to governing leaders? What is our proper response when it conflicts with what we are commanded to do by God? Meditate and pray on this....