

Elisha, a Shepherd of Kings and People

2 Kings 3:1-4:44

Key Verse: 4:43

“How can I set this before a hundred men?” his servant asked. But Elisha answered, ‘Give it to the people to eat. For this is what the Lord says: “They will eat and have some left over.””

1. What kind of king was Joram? (3:1-3) Why did Israel, Judah, and Edom go to war with Moab? (1:1, 3:4-9a) What problem did they encounter? Why did they seek Elisha? (9b-12)
2. Why did Elisha consent to help them? What did he do? What does it mean that the hand of the Lord came upon Elisha? (13-15) What word of the Lord did Elisha give them? (16-20) Why was Moab defeated? Why did Israel withdraw? (21-27)
3. What appeal did the wife of one man from the company of prophets make? (4:1) How did Elisha help her solve this problem? (2-7) What can we learn from this event about helping those in need?
4. How did the Shunammite woman serve Elisha? (8-10) What did Elisha do for her? (11-17) What happened to her son? (18-20) What attitude did she have in the desperate situation? (21-30a) How did Elisha help her? (30b-37)
5. What problem arose for the company of prophets? (38-40) How was the deadly poison rendered harmless? (41)
6. How did Elisha provide food for his disciples (42-44)? What can we learn from Elisha, who solved all sorts of problems of all sorts of people?