

Study Questions

Message: November 1, 2020 Speaker: Pastor Dave Series: Kings Topic: "The Kingdom of God is Forever." (The Story of King Jehu and King Joash) Texts: 2 Kings 9-12

- 1. In our study of the book of Kings, the time has come to confront the house of Ahab once and for all. We began the message today with this question, is there any area of sin that God is asking you to confront in your life? Why is that a difficult question?
- 2. In the beginning of the book of 2 Kings, God anoints Jehu the prophet to execute justice upon the house of Ahab, why is God's justice hard for some people to grasp and accept?
- 3. Jehu executed the house of Ahab but he went too far (2 Kings 10:11ff) describes a massacre which is also condemned by the prophet Hosea (Read Hos 1:4 for the parallel).
- 4. There had been a family alliance between the North and the South. Draw a family tree of the house of Ahab and the house of David during this time period that illustrates this.

- 5. In 2 Kings 11, Queen Athaliah takes the throne why was she was angry and ruthless?
- 6. God had made a covenant with David in 2 Samuel 7, why is that relevant to understanding this story?
- 7. In 2 Kings 11, there is a godly couple who take in baby Joash, what is commendable about them as compared with so many of the other leaders in this story?
- 8. These chapters describe turbulent and chaotic times, not unlike our own, how is this similar to our times? How does this story bring us comfort? (Hint, we too are waiting for the son of David to come occupy His throne). What's your key take away?