Elijah's Exodus

2 Kings 2

Beyond this land of parting, losing, and leaving...

Elijah must leave . . .

- Elisha
- Other prophets
- o Israel (2 Pt.1)
- World

II. A Day Of Concern, 2,4,6

Why such activity?

- Fifty men (5) 7, 16 / 1:9, 11, 13
- 'Sons of prophets' [not offspring]
 - Members of class, guild, Neh.3:31
 - Belong to prophetic order, Am.7:14
- 5: 'from over you...' [your head]; Ac.22:3

The chain, 2 Timothy 2:2

Do we use our time to best spiritual advantage?

- 1. Spouse, Ep.5:25, 28-29.
- 2. Children, Ep.6:4.
- 3. Others, Ep.6:5, 9, 19.

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III. A Day Of Craving, 9

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 - Elijah: Chronicles, Malachi, Mt. –
 Jn., James
 - Elisha: Lk.4:27

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Firstborn son received twice the amount of others, v.12; Dt.21:17

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- 'Spirit': either miraculous ability, or disposition
 - 1 Kings 18, Elijah's spirit

Corrected Ahab, 17-18

Challenged hesitant people, 21

Courage to stand alone, 22

Challenged false prophets, 25-29

Condemned sinful king, 21:17-24

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IV. A Day Of Conversation, 11

Last day on earth conversation: Politics? Sports? Weather?

- 2 Tim.4:13
 - On his last day what would Paul talk about?
 - God still listens, Mt.12:36-37

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V. A Day Of Commendation, 12

Cried: sound of thunder, thunderbolt

- Elisha did not want to lose Elijah.
- 'Father': personal, spiritual relationship [1 Tim.1:2; Ro.16:13]
- 'Chariot of Israel...' true national defense, 11; 6:17

12: condition fulfilled.

Pr.14:34

13: Elijah's mantle.

1 K.19:19

We are transitional Ph.1:21-23; 2 Tim.4:6-8

- Gilgal, 1: place of beginnings
- Bethel, 2-3: place of revelation; place of worship (Gn.28)
- Jericho, 4-5: place of victory
- Jordan, 6-8: place of crossing

The Exodus, Luke 9:31