

# The Life of Elijah

Part four

## "Farewell Tour"

2<sup>nd</sup> Kings 2

In 2<sup>nd</sup> Kings 2 Elijah is coming to the end of his ministry.

For 10 years he has mentored Elisha to be his successor.

Notice 4 things in 2<sup>nd</sup> Kings 2:1-15:

### I. Tracing the \_\_\_\_\_ of Elijah.

Now on Elijah's Farewell Tour he takes Elisha to 4 different places.

4 special places in the history of Israel.

#### 1. 1<sup>st</sup> stop Gilgal. v 1

Now Gilgal was the 1<sup>st</sup> place Israel stopped when they came into the Promised Land.

Gilgal means "the \_\_\_\_\_ has been rolled away."

Gilgal is the place where God rolled away the..... It was also the place where the children of Israel set up a memorial with \_\_\_\_\_ stones. Where..... Joshua 4:19:24

#### 2. 2<sup>nd</sup> stop Bethel. 2-3

We remember Bethel for a number of reasons:

A. Jacob's \_\_\_\_\_. Genesis 28

B. In the days of the \_\_\_\_\_. The Ark of the Covenant was.....

C. Elijah established a Bible \_\_\_\_\_ called the ..... Prophets v 3

3. 3<sup>rd</sup> stop Jericho. v 4-5 where Joshua fought the battle of Jericho and the.....

4. Final stop Jordan River. v 6-8

When we follow Elijah's Farewell Tour he and Elisha walked \_\_\_\_\_ miles from Gilgal

to Bethel, then from Bethel to Jericho was \_\_\_\_\_ miles, then from Jericho to the Jordan River was \_\_\_\_\_ miles. Total \_\_\_\_\_ miles. Now when Elijah & Elisha

get to the Jordan River there are \_\_\_\_\_ sons of the Prophets. v 7

### II. The Testing of the \_\_\_\_\_ of Elijah.

When we follow Elijah's Farewell Tour, every time Elijah would say to Elisha...

notice verses \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ Elijah was \_\_\_\_\_ Elisha to see if he had enough grit and determination to follow .....

III. The Transferring of the \_\_\_\_\_ of Elijah. v 8-10

Now Elijah offers Elisha a \_\_\_\_\_ check, "what do you want from me"?  
Sounds like the ..... God gave to Solomon in 2<sup>nd</sup> **Chronicles 1:7** *In that night did God appear unto Solomon, and said unto him, Ask what I shall give thee.*

Look at verse 9 "Ask what I shall do for thee." Elisha asked for a DOUBLE portion.....  
When you study the rest of the story you'll find that God answered Elisha's request:

Elijah did \_\_\_\_\_ miracles. Elisha did \_\_\_\_\_ miracles.

Elijah served \_\_\_\_\_ years. Elisha served \_\_\_\_\_ years.

Sounds like **Ephesians 3:20**

*Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us*

IV. The Translation of the \_\_\_\_\_ of Elijah. v 11-12

This is a beautiful pictured of the rapture.

For when Jesus comes again, like Enoch and Elijah, those who are saved will never die a physical death, for we will be caught up (raptured).....

When Jesus comes for us at the rapture (Believers Only) there will be a:

1. Great \_\_\_\_\_. **1<sup>st</sup> Thessalonians 4:16**

*For the Lord Himself will descend from Heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first.*

Right now we know Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_.

But when He appears we will know Him \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ !

2. Great \_\_\_\_\_. **1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 15:52**

*in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.*

3. Great \_\_\_\_\_. **John 14:3**

*And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also.*

**WE'RE GOING \_\_\_\_\_ . Hallelujah !!**

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