

Week #9 of Elijah: A Man Like Us

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# **Coming Together**

- What are some of the biggest factors that contribute to a person's life legacy? What do you think are the most important parts of your life's legacy so far?
- Where are some of the common places, people, or sources that others go to get advice these days?

### **Growing in Our Understanding**

- Read 2 Kings 1:1-18. What are some of the circle, highlight, underline parts of these verses that stood out to you? Why did these details of Elijah's story jump off the page?
- Where did Ahaziah learn how to be a leader of people? See 1 Kings 22:51-53.
- According to 2 Kings 1:9-16, how did King Ahaziah respond to his messengers returning early without completing the task he had asked of them? How did that work out for the King and the servants he sent out?
- In 2 Kings 1:13-14 we see a third captain sent to confront Elijah. What was so different about this third Captain's interaction with Elijah compared to the other two? How did the outcome differ?

#### **Unwrapping God's Principles**

- According to the following passages in the Psalms what role is God's Word supposed to play in helping us build a foundation for our lives?
  - Psalm 1:1
  - Psalm 19:7-8
  - Psalm 119:114
- What are some of the natural or expected consequences of disobeying God's instructions (see Colossians 3:2)? Why do you think people are so willing to pay these consequences?

## **Deepening Our Hearts for God**

- Why do you think God's punishment is so harsh on King Ahaziah? How do the following verses help you understand the heart of God and how He reacts when people openly follow other voices?
  - 1 Corinthians 10:19-20
  - Leviticus 19:31 and 20:6
- Why do you think it is so difficult to soften a heart that has been hardened towards the things of God? How do we keep this from happening to us? See Hebrews 3:13-14; Ps 95:7-8

#### **Looking Ahead**

Next week we start our Christmas Series called How the Grinch Stole Christmas. How can greed rob us of the Christmas experience God wants us to have? Read Ephesians 5:3 and Luke 12:15.

