2 Kings: From Divided Kingdom and Elisha to Double Exile

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Chapters ▶	Ahaziah Falls From a Window, Elijah Calls Down Fire	Elijah Taken Up, Elisha Takes Over	Israel, Judah, and Edom Fight Against Moab	Elisha Multiplies Oil, Raises the Dead, and Multiplies Food	Elisha Heals Naaman of Leprosy, Gehazi Gets Leprosy	Elisha Raises the Axe Head, Foils the King of Syria's Plans, Famine Comes on Syria	God Scares Off the Syrians, Famine is Broken	Hazael, King of Syria (and Elisha's freaky prophecy about him)	Jehu is Anointed; Kills Joram, Ahaziah, and Jezebel	Jehu Cleans Ahab's House and the House of Baal	Athaliah's 6-Year Reign; Jehoiada Anoints Joash	The Reign of Joash and the Repairs of the Temple	Jehoahaz, Jehoash Reign in Israel; Elisha Dies	Amaziah in Judah; Jeroboam II in Israel	Stability in Judah, Instability in Israel	Ahaz King of Judah	Israel Exile	Hezekiah's (Judah's) Confrontation with Assyria	Hezekiah's Prayer; Isaiah's Prophecy; Assyria Defeated by the Lord	Hezekiah is Healed; Gives Exclusive Access to Babylon Envoys	Manasseh and Amon – Tear Down What Hezekiah Built Up	Josiah Reigns, the Book of the Law is Found	Josiah Reforms, Jehoahaz and Jehoiakim Revert	Nebuchadnezzar Besieges Jerusalem	Fall of Judah…
Sections ▶	Ministry of Elisha (Divided Kingdom)								Divided Kingdom Continued									Israel in Exile, Judah Continues							
Themes ▼																									
King(s) of Judah								Jehoram Ahaziah			(Athaliah) Joash*			Amaziah*	Azariah (aka Uzziah)* Jotham*	Ahaz		Hezekiah*			Manasseh Amon	Josiah*	Jehoahaz Jehoiakim	Jehoiachin Zedekiah	
Kings of Israel *(Note: not necc. chronological)*	Ahaziah		Jehoram (Joram)						Jehu				Jehoahaz Jehoash	Jeroboam	Zechariah Shallum Menahem Pekahiah (Pekiah) Pekah		Hoshea								
Prophet(s)	Elisha……	Elijah,								Prophets of Baal				Jonah					Isaiah			Huldah the prophetess			
Davidic Line								Jehoram --> Ahaziah			Ahaziah --> Joash	Joash --> Amaziah		Amaziah --> Azariah	Azariah --> Jotham --> Ahaz	Ahaz --> Hezekiah				Hezekiah --> Manasseh	Manasseh --> Amon Amon --> Josiah		Josiah --> Jehoahaz --> Jehoiakim	Jehoiakim --> Jehoiachin --> Zedekiah	
Prophet / Man of God	5x	4x	3x	14x	8x	5x	4x	5x	4x	1x			1x	1x			3x		1x	3x	1x	1x	4x	1x	
Word of the Lord	1x		1x	1x			2x		2x	2x				1x					2x	3x			1x	1x	
Key Events	Elijah calls down fire - consumes two companies of 50 men	Elijah is taken up to heaven in a whirlwind The Spirit of the Lord rests on Elisha		Elisha's miracles: Multiplies Oil, Raises the Dead, and Multiplies Food	Elisha heals Naaman of Leprosy	Elisha raises a sunken axe head			Jehu is anointed, shoots Jehoram and Ahaziah with arrows	Jehu cleans house - massacres the prophets of Baal	Athaliah kills off Jehoram's sons, Joash is spared thanks to Jehosheba	Repairs made to the Temple	Death of Elisha	Judah fights Israel, Israel wins. Jehoash breaks down part of the wall at Jerusalem, plunders the temple		Ahaz replicates another altar, sets it above the bronze altar	**Assyria takes Israel into exile**	Hezekiah removed the high places	Interaction between Hezekiah and Isaiah	Hezekiah gets sick but is healed		Hilkiah finds the Book of the Law	Josiah makes major changes based on the Book of the Law	Jerusalem is captured by Nebuchad-nezzar, king of Babylon	**Judah falls,** Temple is burnt, Jehoiachin is freed from prison…

Key Verses:

>Elijah is taken up in a whirlwind: 2:11
>Elisha's many miracles: chapters 2-6
>Elisha raises the dead: 4:32-35
>The Lord sends opposition against Israel: 15:37
>Israel is taken into exile - rationale: 17:7-8
>Hezekiah removed the high places: 18:4
>Prophecy of the fall of Judah: 21:12-15
>Jerusalem besieged by Nebuchadnezzar (rationale): 24:3-4

Big Questions:

1. What do we make of Elisha's curse and the death of 42 boys in 2:xxxx
2. What is the significance of the "high places"?
3. What reason are we given for Israel's exile?
4. What reason are we given for Judah's exile?
5. Does the Davidic line survive?

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Time Period (1& 2 Kings):

ca. 970 B.C. to ca. 561 B.C.
From the end of David's reign to the release of King Jehoiachin

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*Indicates Kings that were given favorable reports.