

<u>Melachim II Perek 1</u>

- Melachim II starts with the continuation of the splitting of the kingship between Yehudah and Yisrael.
- Kings of Yehudah from the split and onward, so far: Rechavam, Aviyam, Assa, Yehoshaphat and Yoram.
- Kings of Yisrael so far: Yeravam, Nadav, Ba'asha, Eilah, Zimri, Tivni, Amri, Achav and Achazyah.
- Achazyah, king of Yisrael, became sick and bed-ridden.
- Achazyah sent messengers to an idol to inquire what his fate would be.
- Hashem told Eliyahu to tell the messengers that Achazyah would die.
- The messengers relayed the message to Achazyah. Achazyah sent two groups of fifty men, two separate times, with the same outcome.
- Each group approached Eliyahu, wanting to bring him back to Achazyah.
- Each time Eliyahu sent down fire from heaven to burn them up.
- The leader of the third group approached Eliyahu and prostrated himself.
- An angel appeared to Eliyahu, telling him that it's safe to go to Achazyah with the third group.
- Eliyahu told Achazyah that he would die because he turned to idols for help.
- Achazyah's son, Yehoram, ruled next over Yisrael. Yehoram, the son of Yehoshaphat, ruled over Yehudah. (Note: the two kings had the same name, Yehoram.)