



LESSON 40 – Week of October 21, 2018

Jesus in the Prophets: Elijah and Elisha

Fear gripped them all, and they began glorifying God, saying, “A great prophet has arisen among us!” and, “God has visited His people!” – Luke 7:16

The Text / Spend some time reviewing (and reading if possible) the following passages:

1 Kings 17-22; 2 Kings 1-13; 2 Chronicles 21

Malachi 4:4-6; Matthew 3:1-4; 11:1-15; 17:1-13; Luke 1:5-17; 4:14-30; 7:1-17; 9:28-36

Finding Jesus / Think about these questions as you read:

1. Why do you think God sent these two men to work primarily among the 10 tribes of Israel?
2. In what ways does Elijah’s ministry foreshadow the ministry of John (the Baptizer)?
3. In what ways does Elisha’s ministry foreshadow the ministry of Jesus Christ?
4. Both prophets performed miracles; for each prophet, which is your favorite and why?
5. If you could pick one main lesson that each prophet taught, what would it be for each?

Living for Jesus

These two great prophets of God were sent at a dark time in Israel’s history, about 100-150 years before Israel’s fall. They are rightly remembered as some of God’s greatest prophets in all the Bible. But their work and words ultimately served as but a shadow of the Greatest Prophet of all – Jesus Christ. God now speaks exclusively to mankind through His Son. It was Jesus who not only preached about the one true God – He showed us the one true God... in the flesh! He came to a world of sin and death and brought life and immortality to light. The question is, are we hearing the message of God’s Son? Or are we spending our days unsettled about what/who we serve?

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