

Old Testament

THE RESURRECTON

Elijah and Elisha

I Kings 17 & II Kings 4

"That Jesus succeeded in changing a snuffling band of unreliable followers into fearless evangelists, that 11 men who had deserted him at death now went to martyrs' graves avowing their faith in a resurrected Christ,



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that these few witnesses managed to set loose a force that would overcome violent opposition first in Jerusalem and then in Rome –



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this remarkable sequence of transformation offers the most convincing evidence for the Resurrection. What else explains the whiplash change in men known for their cowardice and instability."



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¹⁵ "The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like Me from among you, from your brothersit is to Him you shall listen-**Deuteronomy 18:15**

A. <u>| Kings 17:17-24</u> B. <u>|| Kings 4:18-37</u>

²⁶ For as the body apart from the spirit is dead, so also faith apart from works is dead.

James 2:26

³⁵ Women received back their dead by resurrection. Some were tortured, refusing to accept release, so that they might rise again to a better life.

Hebrews 11:35

A. I Kings 17:17-24 B. II Kings 4:18-37

1. Parted the Jordan River to cross it (II Kings 2:13-14) 2. Purified the water at Jericho (II Kings 2:19-22) Multiplied the oil for a widow 3. (II Kings 4:1-7) 4. Purified food that had been poisoned (II Kings 4:42-44) **Elisha's Miraculous Works**

5. Healed Naaman from leprosy (II Kings 5:1-19) Healed Gehazi from leprosy 6. (II Kings 15:20-27) 7. Had an ax head float (II Kings 6:1-7) **Blinded Syrian soldiers** 8. (II Kings 6:18) **Elisha's Miraculous Works**

²¹ And he said, "Naked I came from my mother's womb, and naked shall I return. The Lord gave, and the Lord has taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord."

Job 1:21

"When God calls away our dearest relations by death it becomes us quietly to say, it is well both with us and them - it is well, for all is well that God does."



Matthew Henry 18 Oct 1662 – 22 June 1714

¹⁸ If I had cherished iniquity in my heart, the Lord would not have listened.

Psalm 66:18

⁶ But when you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

Matthew 6:6

"The Holy Ghost works by those who feel they would lay down their own lives for the good of others, and would impart to them not only their goods and their instructions, but themselves also, if by any means they might save some. O for more Elishas, for then we should see more sinners raised from their death to sin."



Charles Spurgeon 19 June 1834 – 31 Jan 1892

Resurrection Power

Divine Power

KEY POINT

³⁹ "See now that I, even I, am He, and there is no god beside Me; I kill and I make alive; I wound and I heal; and there is none that can deliver out of My hand. **Deuteronomy 32:39**

⁶ The Lord kills and brings to life; He brings down to Sheol and raises up.

I Samuel 2:6

⁸ Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ Philippians 3:8-11

⁹ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith— Philippians 3:8-11

¹⁰ that I may know Him and the power of his resurrection, and may share His sufferings, becoming like Him in his death, ¹¹ that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead. Philippians 3:8-11

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