**2 Kings**

*2 Kings 9 – Be Not Deceived*

Don’t Misread God’s Timing

* Matthew Henry – Hazael and Jehu were the men that were designed to be the instruments of God’s justice in punishing and destroying the house of Ahab.
* 15 And the LORD said unto him, Go, return on thy way to the wilderness of Damascus: and when thou comest, anoint Hazael *to be* king over Syria: 16 And Jehu the son of Nimshi shalt thou anoint *to be* king over Israel: and Elisha the son of Shaphat of Abelmeholah shalt thou anoint *to be* prophet in thy room. 17 And it shall come to pass, *that* him that escapeth the sword of Hazael shall Jehu slay: and him that escapeth from the sword of Jehu shall Elisha slay. (1 Kings 19:15-17)

Don’t Mistreat God’s People

Don’t Mistake Our Role

* God is the Potter, We are the Clay (v 6-10)
* Everything Right, Isn’t Always Fun (v 1-10)
* Being Used of God Doesn’t Represent His Approval (Jehu or Joram)
  + Matthew Henry – Note, it is very common for great sinners, even when they are upon the brink of ruin, to flatter themselves with an opinion that all is well with them , and to cry peace to themselves.
* Wrong Friends, Wrong Place, Wrong Time – Bad Outcome (v 27)

Don’t Miss the Importance of Repentance (v 30-37)

* More Concerned with the External vs. the Internal
* Coldness of Jehu