

## ***When a Ruthless Revolt is Right*** **II Kings 8:28-9:37**

### ***Command to kill and be king (8:28-9:13)***

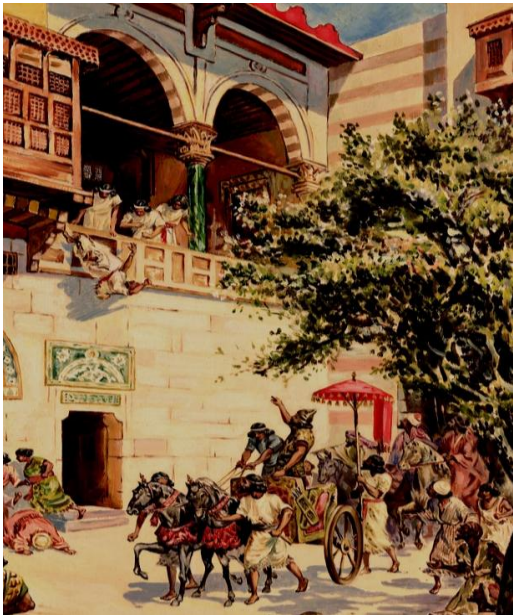
- ❖ Note hurrying / speed in all events—the prophet, officers, Jehu, kings.
- ❖ See I Kgs. 19:17--choice of Jehu (usurper as Hazael). Jehu overheard Elijah in I Kgs. 21:17-26 (recollects in 9:25,26, 36) and perceived the injustices.
- ❖ “Is all well?” (*peace* = 1st of 6x:) Coup begins as skepticism is lost. Why?

### ***Killing of two kings (9:14-29)***

- ❖ Driving like Jehu = driving like the hurried, dissed prophet (*mad / maniac*).
- ❖ Kings naively hurry out to Jehu and ironically meet fate on Naboth’s land!
- ❖ Untargeted Ahaziah is nailed in God’s perfect timing again, II Chron. 22:7.

### ***Killing of Jezebel (9:30-37)***

- ❖ Why is Jezebel all gussied up? She’s godless but gutsy and full of sarcasm (*Is all well Zimri?*). This slam offers her view of Jehu’s fate--I Kgs. 16:9-18. Jehu is later commended (10:30) . . . a 100 yrs. Dynasty, not just 1 week!
- ❖ Finally a breather—Jezebel’s dead, let’s eat! Oops, forgot the Word of the Lord, my bad!



What does this bloody coup say about how seriously God feels about his people being led astray or mistreated? See Mtt. 18:6, Rom. 12:19,20, II Tim. 4:14, I Thess. 1:4-9.

Jezebel pushed people to sin and attacked God’s people. A quite proper response to her end is much like that to a similar culprit in Rev. 18:24-19:3. Note heaven’s reaction.