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Bible Translation Reviewers' Guide

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1:15-27

Background: David was the king of Israel. One of his wives was Bathsheba. David promised her that her son Solomon would become king. But one of David's other sons decided to become king. His name was Adonijah. Nathan the prophet told Bathsheba to tell David that Adonijah had made himself king.

Part 1

Tell in your own words what you just read in these verses.

- ☐ Bathsheba went to King David and reminded him that he had promised to make Solomon king. [1:15-17].
- ☐ Bathsheba told David that Adonijah was acting like he was already king, and she was worried Adonijah would treat her and Solomon like criminals. [1:18-21]
- ☐ Nathan the prophet went to King David and told him about Adonijah. [1:22-27]

Part 2

Answer the following questions.

1. Who went into David's room? [1:15]
Bathsheba went into David's room.
2. When Bathsheba entered David's room, how did she show respect for him? [1:16]
She bowed down to him.
3. What did Bathsheba say that David had sworn to her by Yahweh? [1:17]
David had sworn that Solomon would reign after him and sit on his throne.
4. What did David not know? [1:18]
David did not know that Adonijah was calling himself the king.
5. What had Adonijah done? [1:19]
Adonijah had sacrificed many animals and had invited all the sons of the king, Abiathar the priest and Joab the captain of the army.
6. Who did Adonijah not invite to his celebration? [1:19]
Adonijah did not invite Solomon to his celebration.
7. What do you think was Abiathar's reason for not inviting Solomon?
Abiathar probably did not want Solomon to know what he was doing, because King David had said that Solomon would be king.
8. What were the people of Israel waiting to hear from King David? [1:20]
The people were waiting for King David to tell them who would be king after him.
9. When King David died what would happen to Bathsheba and Solomon? [1:21]
Bathsheba and Solomon would be regarded as criminals.

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10. How do you think Bathsheba felt about Abiathar? [1:21]
She was afraid of him. She also may have been angry that he was trying to become king even though her son Solomon was supposed to become king.
11. Who came in while Bathsheba was still speaking to David? [1:22]
Nathan the prophet came in.
12. What did Nathan the prophet ask David? [1:24]
Nathan asked David if he had said that Adonijah would be king after him.
13. What did Adonijah do when he sacrificed the cattle, fatted calves and sheep? [1:25]
Adonijah invited all the king's sons, the captains of the army, and Abiathar the priest.
14. What were the people doing who had been invited to Adonijah's celebration? [1:25]
They were eating and drinking and saying, "Long live King Adonijah."
15. Who did Nathan say was not invited to the celebration? [1:26]
Nathan said that neither he, Zadok the priest, Benaiah son of Jehoiada nor Solomon were invited to the feast.
16. What do you think Abiathar must have known about Nathan, Zadok, and Benaiah? [1:25-26]
Abiathar must have known that they would have been loyal to King David and to his son Solomon, and that they would have opposed him.
17. What do you think Nathan wanted King David to do? [1:25-27]
He probably wanted David to let everyone know that Solomon should become king.

Comment Section:

2:1-12

Part 1

Tell in your own words what you just read in these verses.

- ☐ As David was about to die, he called Solomon to him and told him to obey Yahweh so that Yahweh would fulfill his promise to make David's descendants rule Israel forever. [2:1-4]
- ☐ David told Solomon about people he should punish for the wrong things they did and about the people he should show kindness to because they helped David. [2:5-9]
- ☐ David died, and Solomon became king. [2:10-12]

Part 2

Answer the following questions.

1. What did David say to Solomon as he was about to die? [2:1-3]
David told Solomon to be strong and obey Yahweh.
2. What would happen if Solomon obeyed all of Yahweh's commands? [2:3-4]
Solomon would prosper, and Yahweh would make David's descendants rule over Israel forever.
3. What had Joab done to Abner and Amasa? [2:5]
He had killed them.
4. What do you think was the reason that it was wrong for Joab to kill Abner and Amasa? [2:5]
He killed them in a time of peace, not a time of war.
5. What did David want Solomon to do to Joab? [2:6]
He wanted Solomon to stop Joab from living to be an old man and dying in peace. He probably wanted Solomon to kill Joab soon.
6. Why did David tell Solomon to deal kindly with the sons of Barzillai? [2:7]
They helped David when he fled from Absalom.
7. What had Shimei done to David? [2:8]
Shimei had violently cursed David.
8. How did David want Solomon to punish Shimei? [2:9]
He wanted Solomon to kill Shimei.
9. What happened to David? [2:10]
He died.
10. Where was David buried? [2:10]
David was buried in the city of David.

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11. How long did David reign over Israel? [2:11]

David reigned over Israel for 40 years.

12. Who was king after David died? [2:12]

Solomon.

Comment Section:

3:4-15

Part 1

Tell in your own words what you just read in these verses.

- ☐ King Solomon went to Gibeon and offered sacrifices to Yahweh. [3:4]
- ☐ Yahweh appeared to Solomon in a dream and asked what he should give him. [3:5]
- ☐ Solomon praised Yahweh for his faithfulness and asked him for understanding to rule his people. [3:6-9]
- ☐ Yahweh was pleased with Solomon's request, so Yahweh gave him wisdom, riches, and honor like no one else ever had. [3:10-13]
- ☐ Yahweh promised to give Solomon a long life if he obeyed Yahweh's commands. [3:14-15]

Part 2

Answer the following questions.

1. Why did Solomon go to Gibeon? [3:4]
Solomon went to Gibeon to offer sacrifices there.
2. Who appeared to Solomon in a dream? [3:5]
Yahweh appeared to Solomon in a dream.
3. What did Solomon say that Yahweh had shown to his father King David? [3:6]
Yahweh had shown David great covenant faithfulness.
4. How did Solomon describe himself to Yahweh? [3:7]
Solomon described himself as a little child who did not know how to go out or come in.
5. What did Solomon say about the people God had chosen? [3:8]
Solomon said they were a great people, too numerous to be counted.
6. What did Solomon ask Yahweh to give him? [3:9]
Solomon asked that Yahweh give him understanding to judge the people.
7. What did the Lord give to Solomon? [3:12-13]
The Lord gave him understanding, wealth, and honor.
8. What did Yahweh say he would do for Solomon if he obeyed him? [3:14]
Yahweh said he would give Solomon a long life.
9. What did Solomon do when he woke up? [3:15]
He went to Jerusalem and offered burnt offerings and peace offerings before the ark of the covenant.

Comment Section:

3:16-28

Part 1

Tell in your own words what you just read in these verses.

- ☐ Two women came to Solomon for him to make a judgment between them. [3:16]
- ☐ Each woman had given birth to a baby. One baby died. Both women claimed to be the mother of the living baby. [3:17-22]
- ☐ Solomon told someone to cut the baby in two and give a half of the baby to each woman. [3:23-25]
- ☐ One woman agreed with this decision, but the other woman begged him not to do this. [3:26]
- ☐ Solomon determined the woman who did not want to kill the baby was the true mother. [3:27]

Part 2

Answer the following questions.

1. Who came to King Solomon? [3:16]
Two women came to Solomon.
2. What did one woman say about herself and the other woman? [3:17-18]
She said that she gave birth to a baby, and three days later the other woman gave birth to a baby.
3. What did the speaker say happened to the other woman? [3:19]
She said that the other woman lay on her baby, so he died.
4. What did the speaker say happened while she was sleeping? [3:20]
She said that the other woman switched the babies. She took the speaker's baby and gave the dead baby to the speaker.
5. When the speaker woke up, what did she think? [3:21]
She thought that her baby had died.
6. What did she realize when she looked carefully at the baby? [3:21]
She realized that it was not her baby.
7. What did the other woman say? [3:22]
The other woman said that the living baby belonged to her and the dead one belonged to the first woman.
8. What did Solomon say should be done with the living baby? [3:23-25]
Solomon said to cut the living baby in half with a sword and give half to each woman.
9. What did one of the women say to the king? [3:26]
She told King Solomon to give the baby to the other woman rather than kill him.
10. What did the king say to do with the child? [3:27]
The king said to give the living baby to the first woman, because she was the child's mother.

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11. How do you think the king knew which woman was the mother of the living baby? [3:26-27]

The woman who said not to kill the baby but to give him to the other woman must have been the mother, because she loved the baby. The woman who said to kill the baby could not have been its mother.

12. What did all Israel do when they heard the judgment Solomon had given? [3:28]

All Israel feared the king because they saw that the wisdom of God was in him.

Comment Section:

9:1-9

Background: King Solomon got laborers and had them build a temple for Yahweh. He also had laborers build a palace for himself. Then he gathered the leaders of Israel, and they brought the ark of the covenant and the tent of meeting to the temple. Solomon and the people offered sacrifices to God. Solomon blessed the people and prayed, and they had a feast.

Part 1

Tell in your own words what you just read in these verses.

- ☐ After Solomon finished building the temple and the king's palace, Yahweh appeared to him a second time. [9:1-2]
- ☐ Yahweh told him that he would put his name on the temple forever. [9:3]
- ☐ Yahweh told Solomon that if he obeyed his commands, Yahweh would establish his throne over Israel forever. [9:4-5]
- ☐ If Solomon or his descendants disobeyed Yahweh's commandments and turned away from him, Yahweh would cut them off from the land and the temple would fall into ruin. [9:6-8]
- ☐ People would know that Yahweh brought disaster on Israel because they abandoned him. [9:9]

Part 2

Answer the following questions.

1. Who appeared to Solomon after had finished building the house of Yahweh and his palace? [9:1-2]
Yahweh.
2. What did Yahweh say he did with the house Solomon had built for him? [9:3]
Yahweh said that he set the house apart for himself.
3. What did Yahweh say would happen for all time? [9:3]
His eyes and heart would be at that house for all time. This probably meant that he would watch over it and protect it.
4. What did Yahweh say he would do if Solomon obeyed his commands? [9:4-5]
He promised that a descendant of Solomon's would always be on Israel's throne.
5. What did Yahweh say he would do if Solomon or his descendants turned away from him? [9:6-7]
Yahweh said that he would cut off Israel from the land he had given them, and he would throw the house away out of his sight. This meant that he would make Israel leave the land and he would reject the temple.
6. What would other peoples do to Israel? [9:7]
They would mock and ridicule Israel.
7. What would people say when they saw that the temple had become a heap of ruins? [9:8-9]
They would say that Yahweh brought disaster on Israel because they had abandoned him and worshiped other gods.

Comment Section:

10:1-10

Part 1

Tell in your own words what you just read in these verses.

- ☐ The queen of Sheba visited Solomon and asked him hard questions. [10:1-3]
- ☐ She was amazed by his wisdom and wealth. [10:4-8]
- ☐ She praised Yahweh for making Solomon king. [10:9]
- ☐ She gave Solomon a large amount of gold, spices, and precious stones. [10:10]

Part 2

Answer the following questions.

1. Why did the queen of Sheba come to Jerusalem? [10:1]
She came to test Solomon with hard questions.
2. What did the queen of Sheba bring with her when she came to visit Solomon? [10:2]
She brought a long caravan and camels loaded with spices, gold and precious gemstones.
3. What did Solomon do when the queen arrived? [10:3]
Solomon answered all her questions.
4. How did the queen react when she saw all of Solomon's wisdom, his wealth and how he worshiped Yahweh? [10:4-5]
There was no breath in her. This meant that she was completely amazed.
5. When the queen had first heard the report about Solomon's words and wisdom, how did she respond? [10:6-7]
She did not believe it.
6. What did the queen learn about Solomon's wisdom and wealth when she went to Jerusalem? [10:7]
She learned that Solomon was much wiser and wealthier than she had been told.
7. Why were Solomon's wives and servants blessed? [10:8]
They were able to hear his wisdom.
8. What did the queen say were the reasons Yahweh should be praised? [10:9]
Yahweh should be praised because he loved Israel and made Solomon king.
9. What else did the Queen give to Solomon in addition to gold and precious stones? [10:10]
She gave him a greater amount of spices than he would ever be given again.

Comment Section:

12:25-33

Background: Solomon was king over Israel for forty years. When he died, his son Rehoboam became king. Jeroboam, a man from another tribe of Israel, went to Rehoboam and asked him to be kinder to them than Solomon was. But Rehoboam answered harshly. So, the people of Israel rejected Rehoboam and made Jeroboam their king. Only the people of the tribe of Judah followed Rehoboam.

Part 1

Tell in your own words what you just read in these verses.

- ☐ Jeroboam built the cities of Shechem and Peniel. [12:25]
- ☐ Jeroboam was afraid that his people would kill him and return to Rehoboam if they went to Jerusalem to offer sacrifices at the temple. [12:26-27]
- ☐ Jeroboam set up two gold calves in Bethel and Dan, and he told the people to sacrifice to them instead. [12:28-30]
- ☐ Jeroboam built worship buildings on high places and appointed men who were not Levites to be priests. [12:28-31]
- ☐ Jeroboam ordained a feast like the feast in Judah, and he went to Bethel and sacrificed to the calves he had made. [12:32-33]

Part 2

Answer the following questions.

1. Where did Jeroboam live? [12:25]
He lived in Shechem in Ephraim.
2. What did Jeroboam think would happen if the people went to Jerusalem to offer sacrifices? [12:26-27]
He thought the people would return to Rehoboam, king of Judah, and kill Jeroboam.
3. What did Jeroboam make, and where did he put them? [12:28-29]
He made two gold calves, and he put them in the cities of Bethel and Dan.
4. How did Jeroboam try to persuade the people not to go to Jerusalem to worship Yahweh? [12:28]
He told them that it was too hard for them to go to Jerusalem.
5. How do you think this act became a sin? [12:28, 30]
It led to the people to worship idols instead of Yahweh.
6. What else did Jeroboam do? [12:31]
He made houses on the high places, and he made priests from among the people instead of from the Levites.
7. What do you think the houses on the high places were for? [12:31-32]
They were for people to worship there.
8. How do you think Jeroboam's priests were different from the priests in Jerusalem? [12:31]
The priests in Jerusalem were from the tribe of Levi. Jeroboam's priests were not from that tribe.

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9. What did Jeroboam ordain for the fifteenth day of the eighth month? [12:32]
He ordained a feast for the people like the feast in Judah.
10. Who did Jeroboam offer sacrifices to? [12:32]
He offered sacrifices to the calves he had made.
11. What did the author write about Jeroboam going up to worship in the eighth month? [12:33]
He wrote that Jeroboam had chosen that month.

Comment Section:

16:29-34

Background: Sidon was an important city in the land of Canaan.

Part 1

Tell in your own words what you just read in these verses.

- ☐ Ahab became king of Israel and reigned for 22 years. [16:29]
- ☐ Ahab did more evil than the kings who reigned before him. [16:30]
- ☐ Ahab married Jezebel, the daughter of the king of Sidon. [16:31]
- ☐ Ahab built an altar to Baal and made an Asherah pole. [16:32-33]
- ☐ While Ahab was king, Hiel built Jericho and his two sons died. [16:34]

Part 2

Answer the following questions.

1. What happened in the thirty-eighth year of Asa king of Judah's reign? [16:29]
Ahab, son of Omri, began his reign over Israel. He became king of Israel.
2. How long did Ahab reign over Israel? [16:29]
Ahab reigned for twenty-two years.
3. What did Ahab do in the sight of Yahweh? [16:30]
He did more evil than all the kings before him.
4. What evil things did Ahab do? [16:31-32]
He did the kinds of sinful things that Jeroboam did. He married the daughter of the king of Sidon, he worshiped Baal, he built a house for Baal, and he built an altar for Baal in that house.
5. What did Ahab do to Yahweh? [16:33]
He did more to provoke Yahweh to anger than all the kings of Israel before him.
6. What happened when Hiel rebuilt Jericho? [16:34]
Hiel's firstborn son, Abiram, died when Hiel built the foundation of the city. Hiel's second son died when Hiel built the gates of the city.

Comment Section:

17:1-16

Part 1

Tell in your own words what you just read in these verses.

- ☐ Elijah told Ahab that there would be no dew or rain until he said so. [17:1]
- ☐ Yahweh told Elijah to go east and hide by the Kerith brook, and he did. [17:2-5]
- ☐ Yahweh sent ravens to bring food to Elijah in the morning and evening. [17:6]
- ☐ When the brook dried up, Yahweh told Elijah to go to Sidon, and he did. [17:7-10]
- ☐ Yahweh made a widow's oil and flour last many days so that she could provide food for her household and Elijah. [17:10-16]

Part 2

Answer the following questions.

1. What did Elijah the Tishbite tell Ahab? [17:1]
He told Ahab there would not be dew or rain those years until Elijah said so.
2. Who do you think gave Elijah the authority to tell Ahab that? [17:1]
Yahweh, the God of Israel, gave Elijah that authority.
3. What did Yahweh tell Elijah to do? [17:2-3]
He told Elijah to go and hide by the brook Kerith.
4. Where was Kerith Brook? [17:3]
It was east of the Jordan River.
5. Why do you think Elijah needed to hide? [17:1]
King Ahab was probably very angry with Elijah because he had said there would be no rain until he said so.
6. What did Yahweh say would happen when Elijah went to Kerith? [17:4]
Elijah would drink from the brook and the ravens would bring him food.
7. What did Elijah do? [17:5]
He did as Yahweh commanded and went to the brook Kerith.
8. What happened when Elijah got to the brook Kerith? [17:6-7]
The ravens brought him bread and meat morning and evening, and he drank from the brook until it dried up.
9. What did Yahweh tell Elijah to do? [17:8-9]
He told him to go to Zarephath and live there.
10. How would Elijah find food and a place to stay? [17:9]
A widow would provide those things for him.

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11. When Elijah went to Zarephath what happened? [17:10-11]
He saw a widow at the city gates gathering sticks, and he asked her for some water and some bread.
12. What did the widow tell Elijah after he asked her for some bread? [17:12]
She told him that she had no bread. She had only a little flour and oil. She was going to cook it for her and her son so they could eat it, and then they would die.
13. What did Elijah tell the widow to do? [17:13]
He told her to first make some bread and give it to him. Then with the oil and flour that was left, she could make some bread for herself and her son.
14. What do you think the woman might have thought when Elijah told her to do that?
She might have thought, "I cannot do that. There will not be enough flour and oil for me and my son."
15. What did Elijah tell the widow that Yahweh had said? [17:14]
Yahweh had said that the jar of flour and the bottle of oil would not become empty until Yahweh sent the rain.
16. What happened when the widow did as Elijah had told her to do? [17:15-16]
The jar of flour did not go empty, and the oil did not stop flowing, and she, Elijah and her household ate for many days.
17. What do you think this Sidonian woman learned about the God of Israel?
Perhaps she learned that the God of Israel is powerful and he keeps his promises. She may have learned that he is merciful.

Comment Section:

17:17-24

Part 1

Tell in your own words what you just read in these verses.

- ☐ The woman's son became very sick and stopped breathing. [17:17]
- ☐ The woman complained to Elijah. [17:18]
- ☐ Elijah lay on top of the boy and begged Yahweh to let the boy live. [17:21]
- ☐ Yahweh caused the boy to live. [17:22]
- ☐ The woman learned that whatever Yahweh said through Elijah was true. [17:24]

Part 2

Answer the following questions.

1. What happened to the woman's son? [17:17]
The boy got very sick, so sick that there was no breath left in him.
2. What did the widow say to Elijah? [17:18]
She wanted to know if he had come there to remind her of her iniquity and to kill her son.
3. What did Elijah do? [17:19]
He carried the boy upstairs into the room he was staying in, and he laid him on the bed.
4. What did Elijah do when he had the boy in his room? [17:20-21]
He asked Yahweh if he had killed the widow's son. Then he stretched himself out on the boy three times and begged God to let the boy's life return to him.
5. What did Yahweh do? [17:22]
He listened to Elijah's voice.
6. What happened because Yahweh listened to Elijah? [17:22]
The child's life returned to him and he was revived.
7. What did Elijah do? [17:23]
He took the boy to his mother and told her he was alive.
8. What did the woman say when she saw her son was alive? [17:24]
The woman said that she now knew that Elijah was a man of God and that Yahweh's word in his mouth was true.

Comment Section:

18:17-40

Background: In the third year without rain, Yahweh told Elijah to go speak to King Ahab.

Part 1

Tell in your own words what you just read in these verses.

- ☐ Elijah told King Ahab to tell all the prophets of Baal and Asherah to go to Mount Carmel. [18:17-19]
- ☐ Elijah told those prophets to prepare a sacrifice and to call on Baal to send fire down and burn up the sacrifice. They did this, but Baal did not do anything. [18:25-29]
- ☐ Elijah prepared a sacrifice and called on Yahweh. Yahweh sent fire down and burned up the sacrifice. [18:30-38]
- ☐ The people saw this and said, "Yahweh, he is God!" [18:39]
- ☐ Then Elijah killed the prophets of Baal. [18:40]

Part 2

Answer the following questions.

1. What did Ahab say Elijah had done? [18:17]
He said Elijah was the one who brought trouble to Israel.
2. Who did Elijah say had brought trouble to Israel? [18:18]
He said Ahab and his father's family caused the trouble because they had abandoned Yahweh's commandments and worshiped Baal.
3. What did Elijah tell Ahab to do? [18:19]
He told Ahab to have the people of Israel gather at Mount Carmel along with the four hundred fifty prophets of Baal and the four hundred prophets of Asherah.
4. When everyone had gathered at Mount Carmel, what did Elijah say to the people? [18:21]
He asked the people why they kept changing their minds. He said that if Yahweh is God, they should follow Yahweh. But if Baal is God, they should follow Baal.
5. What did Elijah say to the people? [18:22]
He said he was the only prophet of Yahweh left, but Baal had four hundred fifty prophets.
6. How were Elijah and the prophets of Baal to prepare the bulls? [18:23]
They were to cut the bulls into pieces and lay them on wood, but they were not to put fire under it.
7. How would the people know which God was God? [18:24]
The prophets of Baal would call on Baal, and Elijah would call on Yahweh, and the God who answered by sending fire on the offering would be God.
8. What did Elijah tell the prophets of Baal to do? [18:25]
He told them to choose a bull, prepare it and call on the name of their god, but they were not to put fire under it.

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9. How long did the prophets of Baal call on him, and what was his answer? [18:26]
They called on Baal from morning until noon and received no answer.
10. What did Elijah tell the prophets of Baal when he spoke to them at noon? [18:27]
He told them to shout loudly because Baal might be thinking, going to the bathroom, traveling, or sleeping.
11. What did the prophets of Baal do after Elijah mocked them? [18:28]
They shouted more loudly and cut themselves with swords and spears.
12. Why do you think they shouted louder and cut themselves? [18:28]
Perhaps they thought that Baal might do what they asked him to do if they shouted loudly and cut themselves.
13. How much longer did the prophets of Baal continue talking wildly? [18:29]
They continued talking wildly until the evening sacrifice.
14. What did Elijah do after he called the people to come near him? [18:30]
He repaired the altar of Yahweh because it was in ruins.
15. What did Elijah do with the twelve stones? [18:31-32]
He made an altar in the name of Yahweh.
16. What did Elijah have the people do after he had placed the wood and pieces of the bull on the altar? [18:33-35]
Three times he had the people fill four jars with water and pour the water on the offering and the wood.
17. What did Elijah ask Yahweh to do? [18:36]
He asked Yahweh to let it be known that he was God in Israel and that Elijah was his servant.
18. Why do you think Elijah told the people to pour water on the offering and the wood?
If the offering and wood were wet, it would be harder for a fire to start. If those things burned when Elijah called on Yahweh, that would give greater proof that Yahweh is the true God.
19. What happened after Elijah prayed? [18:38]
Fire from Yahweh came down and burned up the offering, the wood, the stones, the dust and the water around the altar.
20. What did the people do when they saw the fire? [18:39]
They fell face down and said that Yahweh was God.
21. What happened to the prophets of Baal? [18:40]
Elijah told the people not to let them escape, and he took the prophets of Baal to the Kishon River and killed them.
22. Why do you think the prophets of Baal had to be killed?
Perhaps it was so they would no longer deceive the people into following Baal. Perhaps it was to show how much Yahweh hates it when people worship false gods.

Comment Section:

19:7-14

Background: King Ahab told his wife Jezebel that Elijah killed the prophets of Baal. Jezebel sent a messenger to tell Elijah that she would kill him, so he fled to the wilderness. An angel of Yahweh came and told Elijah to eat some food. Elijah ate, and then he lay down again.

Part 1

Tell in your own words what you just read in these verses.

- ☐ The angel of Yahweh came again and told Elijah to eat because he would go on a long journey. [19:7]
- ☐ Elijah ate, and then he traveled to Horeb and went into a cave. [19:8-9]
- ☐ Elijah told Yahweh that the people of Israel had abandoned Yahweh, killed his prophets, and wanted to kill Elijah, too. [19:10]
- ☐ Yahweh told Elijah to go outside. Yahweh sent a strong wind, an earthquake, and fire, but Yahweh was not in them. [19:11-12]
- ☐ Then Elijah heard a still, small voice. Yahweh spoke to Elijah, and again Elijah told him what he had said before. [19:12-14]

Part 2

Answer the following questions.

1. Why did the angel of Yahweh tell Elijah to get up and eat? [19:7]
He told him to get up and eat because the journey would be too much for him.
2. How long did it take Elijah to get to Mount Horeb? [19:8]
It took him forty days and forty nights.
3. What did Yahweh ask Elijah when he was in the cave? [19:9]
He asked Elijah what he was doing there.
4. Why do you think Yahweh asked that question? Did Yahweh not know?
Yahweh knows everything, but he wanted Elijah to tell him why he was there.
5. What did Elijah say the people of Israel had done? [19:10]
He said that they rejected Yahweh's covenant, destroyed his altars, and killed his prophets.
6. What do you think Elijah meant when he said that he was the only one left? [19:10]
He may have meant that he was the only prophet who was still alive and who worshiped Yahweh.
7. What happened when Yahweh told Elijah to go out and stand on the mountain? [19:11-12]
Yahweh passed by, and there was a strong wind, an earthquake, and a fire, but Yahweh was not in them.
8. What came after the fire? [19:12]
A still small voice.

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9. What did Elijah do when he heard the voice? [19:13]

He wrapped his face in his cloak and stood at the entrance of the cave.

10. Why do you think Elijah wrapped his face in his cloak?

Perhaps he was afraid to look at God because God is holy.

11. What did the voice say to Elijah? [19:13]

It asked him what he was doing there.

12. Who do you think spoke to Elijah? [19:11, 13]

Yahweh spoke to him.

13. What did Elijah say in response to the voice? [19:14]

He said the same thing that he had said in 19:10. He said he had been very zealous for Yahweh because Israel had abandoned Yahweh's commandments, destroyed his altars, and killed his prophets. Elijah was the only one left, and they wanted to kill him too.

Comment Section:

19:15-21

Part 1

Tell in your own words what you just read in these verses.

- ☐ Yahweh told Elijah to go to the wilderness of Damascus and anoint Hazael king over Aram, Jehu king over Israel and Elisha to be prophet in his place. [19:15-16]
- ☐ Jehu would kill those who escaped from Hazael, and Elisha would kill those escaped from Jehu. [19:17]
- ☐ Yahweh would keep a remnant of seven thousand people who had not worshiped Baal. [19:18]
- ☐ Elijah found Elisha plowing in the field, walked up to him, and draped his cloak on him. [19:19]
- ☐ Elisha wanted to say goodbye to his parents before following Elijah. Elijah told him to think about what he had done to him. Elisha then killed his oxen, cooked the meat and gave it to the people. Then he followed Elijah. [19:20-21]

Part 2

Answer the following questions.

1. What did Yahweh tell Elijah to do after he had arrived in the wilderness of Damascus? [19:15-16]
Yahweh told Elijah to anoint Hazael to be king over Aram, to anoint Jehu to be king over Israel, and to anoint Elisha to be prophet in his place.
2. What did Yahweh say Jehu and Elisha would do? [19:17]
Jehu would kill whoever escaped the sword of Hazael, and Elisha would kill those who escaped the sword of Jehu.
3. What did Yahweh say he would leave for himself? [19:18]
He said he would leave seven thousand people in Israel who had not worshiped Baal. This means that God would not allow those seven thousand people to be killed.
4. How do you think what Yahweh said might have comforted Elijah? [19:18]
Elijah would know that there were other people who did not worship Baal.
5. What was Elisha doing when Elijah saw him? [19:19]
He was plowing the ground with twelve pairs of oxen, and he was guiding the twelfth pair.
6. What did Elijah do when he found Elisha? [19:19]
He went up and draped his cloak on him.
7. What did Elisha want to do first before following Elijah? [19:20]
He wanted to kiss his parents goodbye.
8. What did Elijah say when Elisha asked if he could go kiss his parents goodbye? [19:20]
Elijah told him to go back but think about what he had done to him.
9. What did Elisha do with the pair of oxen he had been guiding and their yoke? [19:21]
Elisha killed his oxen, and he used the wood from the yoke to cook the meat. Then he gave it to the people to eat.

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10. Who do you think the people were? [19:21]

They may have been Elisha's family and the people who were plowing with the other oxen.

11. What did Elisha do after he gave meat to the people? [19:21]

He went with Elijah and served him.

Comment Section:

21:20-29

Background: King Ahab wanted to buy a vineyard from a man named Naboth, but Naboth refused. Ahab's wife, Jezebel, told people to kill Naboth. After they killed him, Ahab went to take the vineyard. God sent Elijah there to speak to Ahab.

Part 1

Tell in your own words what you just read in these verses.

- ☐ Elijah told Ahab what Yahweh had said. [21:20-24]
- ☐ Yahweh would bring disaster on Ahab and destroy his family. [21:21-23]
- ☐ When Ahab heard Yahweh's words, he humbled himself. [21:27-29]
- ☐ Yahweh told Elijah that he would spare Ahab from the disaster. Instead, he would send the disaster in the days of Ahab's son.

Part 2

Answer the following questions.

1. Why did Elijah say he had found Ahab? [21:20]
He found him because Ahab had sold himself to do evil in the sight of Yahweh.
2. What did Yahweh say he would do to Ahab? [21:21]
Yahweh said he would bring disaster on Ahab. Yahweh would completely destroy all of Ahab's descendants and cut off from Ahab every male in Israel.
3. Why would God make Ahab's family like the families of Jeroboam and Baasha? [21:22]
God would do this because Ahab made God angry and led Israel to sin.
4. What did Yahweh say would happen to Jezebel? [21:23]
Dogs would eat her beside the wall of Jezreel.
5. What would happen to anyone who belonged to Ahab and died in the city? [21:24]
Dogs would eat them.
6. What would happen to anyone belonging to Ahab who died in the field? [21:24]
Birds would eat them.
7. What had Ahab done? [21:25]
He had sold himself to do evil in the sight of Yahweh.
8. What had Jezebel done? [21:25]
She had incited Ahab to sin.
9. How did Ahab behave? [21:26]
He behaved abhorrently by following idols, just as the Amorites had done.

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10. What did Ahab do when he heard all these words? [21:27]

He tore his clothes, put on sackcloth, and fasted. He lay on sackcloth and became very sad.

11. What did Yahweh do when Ahab humbled himself? [21:28-29]

He said he would not bring the coming disaster in Ahab's day, but he would bring it in his son's day.

Comment Section:

22:29-38

Background: Ahab king of Israel asked Jehoshaphat king of Judah to fight with him against the king of Aram. Ahab wanted to get back the city Ramoth Gilead. Jehoshaphat agreed.

Part 1

Tell in your own words what you just read in these verses.

- ☐ Ahab and Jehoshaphat, king of Judah, joined their armies to fight against the Arameans. Ahab disguised himself, and Jehoshaphat wore his royal clothes. [22:29-30]
- ☐ The king of Aram told his soldiers to only attack the king of Israel. [22:31]
- ☐ When the soldiers saw Jehoshaphat, they thought he was the king of Israel. But when they attacked him, they realized he was not Ahab, and they turned away. [22:32-33]
- ☐ Someone shot an arrow randomly and hit Ahab. Ahab was badly wounded and died that evening. [22:34-35]
- ☐ Ahab was buried in Samaria, and dogs licked up his blood from inside his chariot. [22:37-38]

Part 2

Answer the following questions.

1. Who went to Ramoth Gilead with Ahab? [22:29]
Jehoshaphat, king of Judah, went with Ahab.
2. What did Ahab do before they went into battle? [22:30]
He disguised himself and had Jehoshaphat wear his royal robes.
3. What did the king of Aram command his captains to do? [22:31]
He commanded them to attack only the king of Israel.
4. What happened when the captains saw Jehoshaphat? [22:32-33]
They turned to attack Jehoshaphat, but when Jehoshaphat cried out, they realized that he was not the king of Israel, so they turned back from pursuing him.
5. What happened when a man made a random shot with his bow? [22:34]
The man shot Ahab between the joints of his armor and badly wounded him.
6. Where was the wounded king during the fighting? [22:35]
He stood propped up in his chariot away from the fighting and faced the Arameans.
7. As the battle grew worse what happened to Ahab? [22:35]
His blood ran out into the bottom of his chariot and he died.
8. What happened when the sun was going down? [22:36]
A cry went up through the army that every man should go back to their city or region.

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9. What was done with Ahab after he died? [22:37]
He was brought to Samaria and buried there.
10. What happened after the blood was washed out of Ahab's chariot? [22:38]
Dogs came and licked up Ahab's blood just as Yahweh had said.

Comment Section: