

----- Jehoram 2 years -----

3108c AM, 3818 JP, 896 BC, 19 SK, 1 NK

523. When Ahaziah was dead, his brother Jehoram, the other son of Ahab, succeeded him in the latter end of the eighteenth year of Jehoshaphat, and reigned twelve years. {#2Ki 3:1}

524. Elijah was taken up into heaven in a fiery chariot. {#2Ki 2:1-25}

3120b AM, 3830 JP, 884 BC

534. NK-Jehoram, king of Israel, and Ahaziah, king of Judah, went out together with their armies to Ramothgilead against Hazael, who had recently succeeded Benhadad to the kingdom of Syria, as Elisha the prophet had foretold him. In that battle, Jehoram was grievously wounded by the Syrians and retired to Jezreel to be healed of his wounds. {#2Ki 8:1-29} Meanwhile, a certain son of the prophets was sent by Elisha and came to Ramoth. He anointed Jehu, the son of Jehoshaphat the son of Nimshi, king over Israel. [L72] He told him the will of God concerning the wiping out of the house of Ahab. As soon as Jehu had been proclaimed king by the captains and officers of the army, he marched to Jezreel. There he killed both Jehoram and Jezebel. {#2Ki 9:1-37}

Jehu sent letters to Samaria which were responsible for the death of the seventy sons of Ahab, as foretold by Elisha. He took Jehonadab, the son of Rechab, with him to Samaria. There he destroyed all the family of Ahab with all the priests of Baal. Although he destroyed Baal worship, he still maintained the worship of Jeroboam's golden calves, and the associated idolatry by the Israelites, for the duration of his twenty-eight year reign. {#2Ki 10:28,29,36}