ELIJAH'S LAST MISSION 2 KINGS 1

1 Moab rebelled.

What was Moab's obligation to Israel and why would Moab rebel?

2 What do we know about Ahaziah?

Ahaziah could have observed, at the time of Carmel that "He is THE God" and not to follow idol gods. Yet He did not seek the Lord but had breathed in what his parents did breath out.

Who was Baalzebub?

Any N.T. references to this name?

What do we know about the god of Ekron?

3 Despite the choice Ahaziah makes there is a "But.." "But the angel of the Lord."

This angel commands Elijah to "Arise"

"Arise" and "Go" were many a time commanded by the Lord in Elijah's life yet one time not but he did "Arise and go." When was this?

The king send messengers to Baalzebub but the King of Kings send a messenger to Ahaziah...

4 This message was a message to turn to the Lord: "If you turn and seek My face I will have mercy upon you." It didn't bring the king to repentance.

Does it, or, does it not happen (often) that people repent upon a death bed?

Any examples (from God's Word?)

5 and 6 These messengers did not call Elijah by his name.

What is more important, the message or the messenger?

7 and 8 Ahaziah had no problem identifying Elijah.

In fact it didn't make him any better but more bitter.

9 The king commanded Elijah , by his captain, to "come down."

Even here Elijah didn't move away for this captain and these fifty's: they could have easily killed him!

Was this command to come down a reasonable command?

10 The word "IF" does that mean that Elijah is doubting he is a child of God?

11 Again an other captain appears on the scene with the command to "Come down quickly."

Why the hurry?

Elijah could not heal him or, did he think Elijah was the cause of his death bed?

12 Again a fire came down not to destroy a sacrifice but the enemies of the Lord.

"Our God is a consuming fire." (Hebr. 12:29) For "who" is our God and for "who" the fire?

It could have been a call to Ahaziah to repentance but a sick bed doesn't automatically brings us closer to heaven nor circumstances automatically changes man's heart but only when the Spirit convinces us and make us turn to the Lord.