

reigned a number of years, and he died, and was succeeded by his
 son Joash, and Joash is the king of Israel, and we read in verse 14,
 "Now Elisha was fallen sick of his sickness whereof he died. And Joash the
 King of Israel came down unto him, and wept over his face, and said, O
 my father, my father, the chariot of Israel, and the horsemen thereof.
 ** (Here is a young man. ~~Here is the~~ old Elisha dying. He goes to him
 and he weeps over him, and he says, my father, my father, the chariot
 of Israel, and the horsemen thereof. Joash really feels the land was going
 to lose its bulwark, because Elisha was dying. Maybe he did not. I
 do not know. But he did express what would please the people. He
 here expressed the attitude of nation, and therefore the fact that the king
 says, when it was only Elisha alone who said this to Elijah, is a good
 evidence that the way Elisha and Elijah's work has succeeded. It did
 not succeed in making a perfect nation. It did not succeed in getting
 all the people to look to the Lord, but it broke the terrible Baal worship
 enemy of Baal worship, and reached many, many people with the Word of
 God, and it gave the nation another hundred years of carrying on the
 testimony before God sent them into exile, and so Joash says this to
 Elisha, and Elisha says, Take bow and arrows, And he took unto him
 bow and arrows. And he said to the king of Israel, Put thine hand upon the
 bow. And he put his hand upon it: and Elisha put his hands upon the
 king's hands. And he said, Open the window eastward. And he opened it.
 Then Elisha said, Shoot. And he shot. And he said, The arrow of the Lord's
 deliverance, and the arrow of deliverance from Syria: for thou shalt smite the
 Syrians in Aphek, till thou have consumed them." Wonderful, the land is