

in half an hour you ought to be able to survey this material sufficiently to get a definite answer one way or the other on this question what we are to do. Well, now we leave then this matter of deception which we have spent quite a little time on but I think it is well ~~worth~~ worth it. We'll look at it a little more in connection with Hazael, who^m we come to rather soon.

We were discussing the various incidents in chapter 4, the healing of Namaan in chapter 5 of I Kings, and then there were the various incidents in 6:1-3 where this thing came up, and then the time of crisis, 6:24--7:20, we have ~~already~~ discussed. Then in 8:1-6 we have just a brief story which is given here simply for the purpose probably of showing us how great the fame of Elisha was becoming. At the court of the wicked king, his deeds were discussed and favor was shown to the one who had been connected with it.

(Question) Well, now ^{where} ~~what~~ is the case where he was determined to exterminate him? (Answer) Well, we'll look at that very soon. Let's glance at that particular question now. Let's see that is in chapter 13. On his death bed there he told the king to shoot an arrow and he said, "the arrow of the Lord's deliverance in verse 17 and deliverance from Syria ~~from~~ for thou shalt smite the Syrians until thou hast consumed them." The emphasis here is not upon extermination of the Syrians but upon deliverance of Israel. You will smite the Syrians until ~~they~~ their power is no longer a threat to Israel. I don't see any note of extermination there. When the Israelites went into the land, they were told to exterminate the Canaanites in order that they should not be corrupted by the wicked practices of the Canaanites. Here it is simply a matter of a force that has been attacking, attacking, attacking, attacking and they are told that this force will be rendered powerless to injure them. That is, it seems to me, a different emphasis. I imagine Mr. Sit also had in mind the case of Ahab where he was rebuked for letting Benhadad go but that would surely to be a specific matter. God had given a great victory here evidently for ~~the~~ the purpose of giving relief from the danger of the Syrians. When a danger like