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q Even though this event on the way up to Bethel must have been spread around among the people, and at least ... that Elisha is more or less safe, he was so self-effacing, so humble that in chapter 3 we find ~~that~~ him in an unusual situation. There the king of Israel had asked the king of Judah to join with him/ⁱⁿ trying to put the rebellion down, put down the rebellion by the Moabites. The forces of Israel then ~~came~~ down from the northern kingdom through the ~~the~~ southern into the wilderness of Edom which was south of Southern kingdom. And thus they go around the southern end of the Dead Sea and then come up from the south to ~~attack Edom~~-- attack Edom. There is a great host ~~pe~~ of people coming and going through this wilderness they ~~find-that~~-- fail to find ~~that~~ a proper source of water for themselves and for the animals that they have brought along, and ... for food, and the result was that they situation looked desperate, and the good king of Judah, Jehoshaphat who has shown, made a great mistake in ^{joining in} making an alliance with Ahab and is still in alliance with his son Jehoram and helped him in his expedition. And in the situation in which they we-are, ~~Jehosph--Jehosph--~~Jehoshaphat, Jehoram, the wicked king of Israel says, there is ~~nth-~~ nothing for him, for the Lord has misled us and got us into this situation which is hopeless, but Jehosphat says, Let us inquire of the Lord. Here the king of Israel said to the King of Judah, but one who ~~said~~ set a wrong; ~~example-~~ example-^{by joining in} of alliance with Ahab, and with Jehoram... to ~~ge~~ set a good example on his demand that ... to see what the Lord's will is. We have the principle for our activity in the Bible. We cannot in the situation expect ... to find the right place. The Bible will give us answers to the situation. We should ~~sh~~ study the Bible constantly, and learn ^{His} the principle so that when various situations arise, the Holy Spirit can bring to our minds the recollections of those difficult principles that relate to them. Here Jehosphat says, Is there a prophet of the Lord here? We may inquire of the Lord from him. Now we find an interesting situation. The king of Judah makes the inquiry,