

ELISHA'S FINAL ACTS

II Kings 13:14-25

**The grand finale of a faithful servant will impress
the godly who observe it.**

I. ELISHA'S SICKNESS (14)

A. A TERMINAL ILLNESS (14a)

B. THE KING'S VISIT (14b)

1. Respect
2. Recognition
3. Review: Elisha had done much for Israel
4. Reflect: A notable absence ... where are those from the school of the prophets?

II. ELISHA'S ASSURANCE (15-19)

A. PREDICTIONS (15-17)

1. Divine Enablement (15-16)
2. Divine Success (17a)
3. Divine Intention (17b)

B. EXAMINATION (18-19)

1. Elisha's Instruction (18a)
2. Joash's Hesitation (18b)
3. Elisha's Reaction (19)
 - Anger, disappointment, regret and disillusionment

III. ELISHA'S LASTING INFLUENCE (20-25)

A. POWERFUL (20-21)

1. The Ministry: He is specially honored
2. The Miracle: Quite the finale!
3. The Message: Confirming all of Elisha's predictions and prophesies
4. The Motivation: Causing Israel to act boldly and quit living in defeat

B. COMFORTING (22-23)

1. Though Hazael afflicted Israel, God compassionately protected them
2. God continued to give Israel an opportunity to repent

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C. INSPIRING (24-25)

1. Taking back property from Aram - See 10:32-33
2. Previously captured cities were returned to Israel

CONCLUSION:**When Elisha died at the age of 80 he had ...**

- Confronted kings and rulers
- Raised a dead child
- Inspired faith in God
- Even making a difference after his death

What is our best that will truly last?

- May God help us to be devoted to Him on a daily basis so that when our final day arrives we'll be found to have been faithful.

“Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your toil is not *in vain* in the Lord.” – I Corinthians 15:58

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