

is not today included in Israel but which is today a separate kingdom. Then Jezreel to which he went to be healed of his wounds. Which side of the Jordan is that on? On the west side. We have pointed out on the map in connection with the previous incident. When ~~xxx~~ did we hear of Jezreel before? How many can mention two incidents in which we heard of Jezreel before? What is one? Well, that is later; that is not before. That is an important thing at Jezreel which is yet ahead. But of what we have had already in this course? Elijah ran before Ahab from Carmel to Jezreel. You remember I pointed that out on the map. Well, now is there anything we have had in Jezreel. Naboth's vineyard was in Jezreel. The capital of Israel is in Samaria, a long ~~xxx~~ distance south of Jezreel, but Jezreel is where Ahab had a summer palace and it is a secondary headquarters for the king. That is why he wanted Naboth's vineyard so he would have more room to spread out in his time of ~~his~~ leisure when he was living at his vacation capital of Jezreel. So now Joram being wounded comes back not to the great capital where the events of state are ordinarily performed but to the vacation headquarters, to his country house in the small town of Jezreel, a considerable distance north of the big capital in Samaria. There he was in Jezreel being healed of his wounds, and not with the army. And Ahaziah, the son of Jehoram, king of Judah, has come to Jezreel to see his uncle who was recovering from his wounds. ~~Then~~

Then chapter 9 really should begin a few verses earlier because you have the situation described in chapter 8 in which the events of chapter 9 begin which is not a very well placed chapter division here. You have very important division previous a few verses and here you are right in the middle of an incident. But you have a new paragraph within this incident. The situation has been described and then Elisha. Does Elisha go and anoint Jehu to be king of Israel? ~~But~~ Yes, Elisha does not go. He sends someone to do it. God commanded Elijah to anoint Jehu king of Israel. Elijah passed this message on to his successor, Elisha and Elisha selected one of the sons of the prophets and sent him to perform the task.

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