

Jehu

Ps. lxxvi, 10.

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Ps. lvi, 10:

Read II K. ix, x.

Surely the wrath of man shall praise thee,  
the remainder of wrath shalt thou restrain.

In this world, human ill-temper  
works so much mischief as to  
seem to us hopelessly deplorable.  
This text declares that God rules it as  
well as everything else, & declares it  
by the singularly positive method  
of asserting that it is ~~not caused~~  
compelled to work in harm &  
accomplish, along with other agen-  
cies, those blessed purposes of God  
which are so precious also to secure  
our common welfare.

If then we can show that in  
any given historical instance ~~the~~  
~~wrath of man~~ God carried out bene-  
ficent purposes of His not in spite  
of but by means of human illwill,  
the demonstration may so far to

quit that portion of our trials  
which consists in ~~the~~ our collision  
~~injury that~~ ~~human~~  
with that class of evil-doers; &  
we may say w David: The Lord  
is on my side, I will not fear  
what man can do unto me.

I. God's Controversy w. Idolaters  
in Israel. — When the 10 Tribes  
(Israel, Samaria) separated from Ju-  
dah, under Jeroboam, J. set up 2  
gold calves, in Dan (N) & Bethel (S);  
& the (Nadab, Baasha, Elah, Zimri,  
Omri, Ahab) & K. thereafter (7<sup>th</sup> K. of  
all) married a d. of Ethibaak K. of  
Tyre (the Sidonians), who was devoted to  
& introd. ano. idolatry, that of Baal  
& Ashtoreth; house built at Dan  
& 450 priests of Baal & 400 of Ashtoreth  
erect, in Elijah's time (there).  
Evils of this. — A treason of God; also

Jehu

Psalm lxxv.

Psalm lxxvi, 10: Surely the  
mouth of man shall praise Thee;  
the remainder of man shall Thou  
restrain.

<sup>126</sup> M. E. Simpson present 1<sup>st</sup> time (Simpson).  
Branchville Sun. Ev. Apr. 29, 1877.

God's Kingdom, our Saviour has  
taught us, is one of love. It is there-  
fore a most impressive demon-  
stration of God's being & power, if  
our text can be shown true.

Jehu, by usurpation the tenth  
king of Israel or Samaria, was a  
wicked man. He possessed unusual

ability; caution; great rapidity of  
action; at the same time combin-  
ing a disposition sometimes bursting  
forth in a furious zeal; but never  
a ~~self~~ spiritually disposed man, & at  
the very best but a half-way wor-  
shiper between the calf-~~god~~ idols  
of Jeroboam, & the Almighty God.

God made this man an in-  
strument of His ~~divine~~ justice.  
Thirty-four yrs the corrupt dynasty  
of Ahab had remained unpunished,  
Elijah anath? to anoint Jehu -  
did not, not known why.  
Jehu had been one of Ahab's guards;  
during Ahaziah's & Jehoram's he rose  
to rank in army - captain of 50

host at Hammoth-Gilead.

In II K. ix, 1-11, his coronation by Elisha's servant (cont'd of E-  
ver saw J, do Smith).

His acknowledged by army.

Rides to Jezreel & Bidkar

Slays Joab

His men pursue & kill K of Judah

He then destroys all Ahaz's re-

maining family, the officers of the  
court, & the hierarchy of Astarte.

Then goes for Samaria; <sup>at Jezreel</sup> ~~where~~ he  
finds 70 heads of Ahaz-princes

Then 42 relatives of Judah's K-  
connected to Ahaz by marriage;  
these slain at the well like Canan-  
ites.

Meets Jehonadab.

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~~IK xvi~~  
Now destroys the temple hall in it  
(like Samson - like of Pentecost.)

Remaining 27 yrs not noted, save  
He didn't destroy Calpurnia

Trans J. tribes suffered of Hazael

He was buried in Samaria, Dec.

4 son Jehoahaz. His name is 1<sup>st</sup> of

Jer. 10<sup>s</sup> found on Assyrian monuments

not with 15 Phalmaneser I.

Hosea says: i, 4 I'll avenge blood of  
Hazeel on h of Jehu

So Bascha IK xvi, 2.

# Jehu

Ps. lxxv, 10:— Surely the wrath of  
man shall praise Thee; the remainder  
of wrath shalt thou restrain.

— " —

Second clause obscure; may mean  
as tr. in Ex. V., or may mean God pre-  
serves His own prerogative of vengeance.  
Our main concern is with 1<sup>st</sup> clause.

Doctrine here: Human passion is an  
evil thing; yet such is God's omnipotence  
that He causes even this to serve His  
end.

Jehu 10<sup>th</sup> K. of Israel or Samaria, an  
illustration of this.

He was a great general.

Secret of his success was a cautious head  
& a resistless energy.

Circumstances favored this man; but  
he was not a good, but a selfish man.



God had an end to be served in his day, wh. He served by using this man's peculiarities.

Ahab's sins & the prophecies of this house.

God sent Elisha's servant to call Jehu to inaugurate the neces. revol. at Ahab's house.

Jehu courageously entered upon it, shed torrents of blood, & destroyed Baalim forever in Samaria.

But he revealed his own wickedness & vitiated his own achievements, by neglecting to carry his revol. to its due effect. This bot. down on his house God's wrath (Hosea, ).

— This history teaches:

1. God's ends may be accompl. by bad men as well as by good.
2. This does not justify the bad.
3. God punishes the bad.

depraving of the people lead-  
ing sure to national decay & death  
early. (Abak 918- , Israel capt. 721.)

The prophecies of old had abun-  
dantly testified that this course (into  
idolatry) was the deepest of fence that  
Israel offer to the Lord their God.  
It was so manifestly of the own  
welfare in itself; so sure a transgre-  
sion of positive divine statutes;  
that it could not be sooner or later  
terribly punished. The royal house wh.

~~How was this done?~~

II. Jehu.

introd. it must fall, & that con-  
spicuously; as had als. the accused  
house of Jeroboam, who made Is-  
rael sin?

How was this done?

II. Jehu.

thro' the mouth of man?  
There was in that age a man living

who was so truly <sup>of</sup> such a man as  
our text contemplates, that his name  
has come down to us ~~as~~ characterized  
by one of the most natural indica-  
tions of a passionate man. Jehu  
the son of Nimshi was famous for  
his "furious" ~~text~~ *dirāny* (II K. ix, 20).

He was a man whose history  
(II K. ix, x, Hos. i, 4) reveals him  
an ungodly, shrewd & self-seeking,  
cautious but in action terrible, Orien-  
tal soldier.

~~That that man certainly~~  
Being a favorite in his K., Athabhim-  
self, he was once in him on a most  
important occasion ~~where~~ (I K. xxi,  
20 - 26), viz. when Elijah provi<sup>d</sup>. curses  
on him this, not for idolatry but  
for the Naboth - inhumanity; as the  
Silent was also provi<sup>d</sup> & w. by II of  
France when massacre of Huguenots made  
him forever hostile to Spain.

What was this <sup>5</sup> favored dependent  
of house of David do? It had  
been 34 yrs. on throne; he was  
fit & finest & most popular gene-  
ral.

God marked him early to be  
His instrument of vengeance upon  
wicked idolatrous Shabaz (Jehoram)  
& Israel (I K. xix, 16, 17).

In 884 Elisha sent a young  
prophet, Jehoram being then k. of  
Israel, & Shaphan his nephew, of  
Judah, visiting him, to anoint him  
k. in Jehoram's place.

His terrible entrance on the throne

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Thus he blotted out the Baal-worship  
fr. Israel; & lived reign 27 more yrs.,  
(28 in all), & founded the longest-lived of all

Israel's dynasty (v. Sm. B. Diet. ad fin.)  
Jeroboam II being first.

But he left the Jeroboam-  
calf-worship; thereby leaving the  
nation still idolatrous & astray,  
& revealing his own bad soul.

— Of what frightful wits is  
not such a man capable! Let  
"the remainder" be restrained;  
& use his peculiarity for Divine  
glory.

Hence:

1. God can override yr. troubles,  
trust Him, not fear them.
2. A hot temper is a bad ac-  
count for it cannot serve God  
thru' & thro'; energy is not love, &  
can't do His work.
3. Doing God service by halves is  
not doing it at all.
4. God's wrath! bear that!