

**ELIJAH – IX**  
2 Kings Chapter 2

**INTRODUCTION:** WE ... look for the Rapture – Titus 2:13

What advantage do those have, who are already with the Lord?

- 1.- They've spent quality time with Jesus.
- 2.- They will come back with Jesus at the Rapture – 1 Thess. 4:14
- 3.- They will get their resurrected bodies first – 1 Thess. 4:15-17
- 4.- They will have a better view of the Rapture.

**2:1** – Elijah & Elisha travel from Gilgal to Bethel – **1 Kings 19:19-21**

**2:2** – Elijah tells Elisha to wait in Gilgal for him ... **WHY?**

- If you knew this was your last day on earth, is there anything you would do, go, say?

**2:3** – The students already knew Elijah was about to be taken into Heaven.

- Elisha tells them to leave Elijah alone.

**2:4** – They head to Jericho, the same direction they came from.

**2:5** – These students also knew about Elijah's soon departure.

**2:6-7** – Some seminary students go with them.

**2:8** – Similar to parting of Red Sea & Jordan River earlier.

**2:9** – Elijah asks if he can do anything for Elisha before he departs.

- The first born was to receive a “double portion” of inheritance.
- MAYBE, we don't GET great things from God, and DO great things for God, because we don't ASK great things from God.

**2:10** – This wasn't Elijah's to give ... power comes from GOD.

- Elijah gives Elisha a sign.

**2:11** – An amazing event!

**2:12-13** – God is never caught off-guard, short-handed.

**2:14** – God puts His stamp of approval on Elisha.

**CONCLUSION:**

- Elijah was no different from us – James 5:17
- Elijah was compared to Jesus.
- Elijah was a man SOLD OUT TO GOD!