

**“Not Like Jehu”**  
**Bible Stories Sermon Series, Pt. 31 - 2 Kings 9-10**  
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**I. Introducing the Passage**

- A. 2 Kings 9-10 is a single literary unit.
- B. It focuses on one main character: Jehu

**II. Evaluating Jehu**

- A. Though Jehu rid Israel of Baal worship, he still was unfaithful to the Lord in his approval of other idolatry, inviting God’s judgment on the nation (2 Kings 10:31-33)
- B. Though Jehu destroyed the house of Ahab at God’s command, he ruthlessly murdered many others without God’s approval, inviting God’s judgment upon his own house....

*Hosea 1:4b - for yet a little while, and I will punish the house of Jehu for the bloodshed of Jezreel...*

**III. Lessons for Today**

- A. Our Lord does judge fiercely at times.
- B. Our God does take vengeance against those who have harmed His servants (like Ahab and Jezebel had).
- C. Our Heavenly Father’s heart is not like cruel Jehu’s.
  - 1. He isn’t quick to kill, but is slow to anger. (Ex. 34:6)
  - 2. He doesn’t relish bringing judgment. (Ezek. 33:11)
  - 3. He does not go beyond what the situation calls for. (Mal. 3:6)
- D. Yet there was a time where God did *not* hold back in compassion...

*Is. 53:10a – But the LORD was pleased to crush Him, putting Him to grief...*

*Romans 8:32 – He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all-- how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things*