

People of Faith

(Lesson 21)

Introduction:

1. In Hebrews 11:32 "*the prophets*" are mentioned in connection with their faith.
2. One of the greatest prophets was Elijah.
 - a. Elijah served as a prophet during a difficult time in Israel's history.
 - b. However, God accomplished a number of mighty works through him.
 - c. He demonstrated great faith on several occasions.
3. Elisha succeeded Elijah as God's prophet to Israel.
 - a. Elisha was similar to Elijah in a number of ways.
 - b. Like Elijah,:
 - 1) Elisha served as a prophet during a difficult time
 - 2) God accomplished a number of mighty works through Elisha
 - 3) Elisha demonstrated great faith on several occasions.

Discussion:

- I. (1 Kings 19:15-16) GOD INSTRUCTED ELIJAH TO APPOINT ELISHA AS HIS SUCCESSOR
- II. (1 Kings 19:19-21) ELIJAH CALLED ELISHA
- III. (2 Kings 2:1-15) ELISHA WAS PRESENT WHEN ELIJAH "*WENT UP BY A WHIRLWIND INTO HEAVEN*"
- IV. (2 Kings 2:23-25) ELISHA WAS MOCKED BY SOME CHILDREN
- V. (2 Kings 4:1-7) THE WIDOW'S OIL WAS MULTIPLIED
- VI. (2 Kings 4:8-37) ELISHA AND THE WOMAN OF SHUNEM
 - A. (vs.8-10) This woman cared for Elisha.
 - B. (vs.11-17) Elisha informed her that she would have a son.
 - C. (vs.18-37) The woman's son died, but Elisha brought him back to life.