

## 2 Kings 2 • The Legacy of God's Work

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1. (v.1-5) The relationship of Elijah to Elisha and each to the schools of prophets is a picture of Old Testament **discipleship**.
  - a. The “program” was based as much on **personal relationships** as on teaching.
  - b. Only those immersed in **God's Word** in this manner were aware of what God was about to do.
2. (v.6-10) The only way to inherit or carry on our mentor's work of discipleship in us is to **put it into practice**.
  - a. Discipleship can be thought of as a spiritual **inheritance** to be used in this life.
  - b. It needs to be treated this way both by the **discipler** and the **discipled**.
3. (v.11-14) The true mark of successful discipleship is in getting rid of the **old nature** to assume a **new one** in Christ.
4. (v.15-18) One cannot allow their self to be distracted from the true work of discipleship, even in the presence of **signs** and **wonders**.
5. (v.19-22) The miracle of purifying the waters at Jericho was actually a **spiritual covenant** to bring God's Word to a previously **accursed** place, a sort of approval of the discipleship program taking root there.
6. (v.23-24) The judgment on the way to Bethel represents what happens to those that choose **NOT** to be **discipled**, to those who reject both God's message and messenger.
7. (v.25) Elisha retraces both the steps of the original Israelites conquering Canaan under Joshua and those of the ministry of his teacher Elisha. It's a teaching of the **spiritual conquest** to be undertaken by God's messengers.