



A legacy that counts!

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2 KINGS 2:9 NKJV – (9) And so it was, when they had crossed over, that Elijah said to Elisha, “Ask! What may I do for you, before I am taken away from you?” Elisha said, “Please let a double portion of your spirit be upon me.”

Most of us today, ask God for a house or a larger house, but very seldom does someone ask for a double portion of GOD! So what is the requirement to receive a double portion? Jesus said in **LUKE 9:23**, “If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow Me. There are four components of discipleship in this lesson I want to reveal. Let us review the test on Elisha.

1) SACRIFICE - 1 KINGS 19:19-20 – Elisha, demonstrated that he was ready to leave his status, his possessions and anything else that hindered him from serving as God required. What are you willing to give up?

2) SERVICE - 1 KINGS 19:21 – He wasn’t looking for the lime light! He took time to serve those within his capacity before going on to serve his teacher. Your service can’t be limited and we must come from within the four walls of a building to serve as well.

3) STABILITY - 2 KINGS 2:1-6 – Elisha was loyal and very committed to the task at hand. Each time, Elijah asked him to stay, but Elisha told him that he would not leave his teacher alone. It was a test for Elisha. The places he had to go would make most people quit, but he stayed regardless of what he saw his teacher face.

4) SPIRITUAL - 2 KINGS 2:9B - He asked Elijah for a double portion of his spirit.

It is in **2 KINGS 2:11-14** that we see what happens when we are serious about what we ask of God! Years had passed and it happened. The torch was passed to Elisha and Elijah left him a legacy to fall back on.

CONCLUSION: Every responsible parent or guardian here has made a will and if you haven't, it is very important to do so. The will should consist of that which you and I **WANT TO PASS ON** to the next generation. It reflects the accumulation of goods and resources that have been attained during your life, houses, cars, accounts. You have created a material legacy. The question I want to end with is this, "What kind of Spiritual legacy" are you and I leaving behind? How much of God are we transferring? **Psalms 71:18** says, that the power of God is to be transferred from generation to generation. Elijah did just that to Elisha. Now, what will you do, what will I do or what will we do?

SCRIPTURE READING: 1 TIMOTHY 6:6

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: You can’t have a part time faith and expect a full time victory!