

THE PROBLEM OF UNGODLY PARTNERSHIPS

2 Kings 3

I. THE UNWISE ALLIANCE (2 KINGS 3: 1-8).

- A. Evil King Joram wanted to stop Moab's rebellion (1-5).
 - *Godliness cannot be defined as the sins we avoid.*
- B. Godly King Jehoshaphat helped Joram (6-8), just as he helped his father Ahab and son (2 Chronicles 18-20).
 - *Godly people sometimes choose partners foolishly.*

II. THE MIRACULOUS VICTORY (2 KINGS 3:9-25).

- A. King Joram blamed God when needing water; King Jehoshaphat consulted God's prophet (9-12).
 - *Partnership with unbelievers brings conflict about how to solve problems.*
- B. Elisha rebuked Joram, and inquired of God because Jehoshaphat was godly (13-19).
 - *Sometimes unbelievers are blessed because of us.*
- C. God sent water to supply Israel, but it looked like blood to the Moabites who were defeated (20-25).

III. THE DISAPPOINTING WIN (2 KINGS 3:26-27).

- A. Israel was winning against Moab (26).
- B. Moab's king sacrificed his own son which terrified the Israelites who then withdrew (27).
 - *When we are not fully trusting God, we will easily fear the efforts of evil against us.*