

## Pastor's Bible Study

### Becoming Disciples Through Bible Study

Week Thirty-Five 1 Kings 19 - 22

#### Review

Literary Period

The Divided Kingdom period of ancient Israel and Judah spanned from approximately 931 BCE to 586 BCE.

Review

Elijah was afraid of Ahab but!

But, His fear of Jezebel the daughter of the high priest of Baal is greater

#### Lecture Segment

1 Kings 19-22 covers several significant events in the history of Israel during the reign of King Ahab. Here's a comprehensive summary of these chapters:

#### **Chapter 19: Elijah's Flight and God's Reassurance**

Elijah flees from Jezebel's threats after his victory on Mount Carmel. He journeys to Mount Horeb, where he experiences God's presence not in dramatic natural phenomena, but in a gentle whisper. God reassures Elijah that he is not alone and instructs him to anoint new kings and a successor

#### **Chapter 20: Ahab's Victories and Mistake**

This chapter details two battles between Israel and Aram (Syria):

1. First Battle: Ben-Hadad of Aram besieges Samaria, but Ahab defeats him with God's help.
2. Second Battle: The following year, Israel again defeats Aram on the plains.

However, Ahab makes a crucial mistake by sparing Ben-Hadad's life, contrary to God's will.

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#### **Chapter 21: Naboth's Vineyard**

This chapter recounts a dark episode in Ahab's reign:

1. Ahab covets Naboth's vineyard.
2. Jezebel orchestrates Naboth's murder.
3. Elijah pronounces God's judgment on Ahab and Jezebel

#### **Chapter 22: Ahab's Death**

The final chapter covers:

- Alliance with Jehoshaphat: Ahab allies with Judah's King Jehoshaphat against Aram.
- Prophecy of Micaiah: Despite false prophets' encouragement, Micaiah predicts Ahab's doom.
- Battle and Death: Ahab disguises himself but is killed by a random arrow, fulfilling Elijah's prophecy.

These chapters highlight themes of divine justice, the consequences of disobedience.

### **Next Week**

#### **Read 2 Kings Chapters 1 through 9**