Week 8: Murder of Naboth

Murder of Naboth: 1 Kings 21-22

Objective:

- Naboth Is Murdered for His Vineyard
- Ahab facing Elijah
- Micaiah Warns Ahab
- Death of Ahab

Resources:

- Fr Tadros Y Malaty Commentary
- Catena Bible Commentary
- Fr Dawoud Lamie Bible study (Arabic)

Reading:

- 1 Kings 21:ALL
- 1 Kings 22:1-40

Key verse(s):

- "As the Lord lives, whatever the Lord says to me, that I will speak” 1 Kings 22:14

Comments:

- Ahab wanted to take Naboth's vineyard by force.
- Naboth refused as the vineyard means a lot to him and his family.
- Jezebel plotted against Naboth and took his vineyard for her husband.
- God told Ahab: “In the place where dogs licked the blood of Naboth, dogs shall lick your blood." This was fulfilled in chapter 22
- Ahab repented and God accepted his repentance by not bringing calamity. This shows us that God really wants everyone to go back to him even if it is Ahab the evil king.
- Micaiah was a faithful prophet who did and said only what God instructed him to do, not what the king wanted.
- Jehoshaphat was a good righteous king. He made a mistake by going out to fight with Ahab. There should not be mixing between good and evil, light and darkness, or God and Satan. Jehoshaphat almost got killed in this battle as a warning to not do this again and also as a result of his bad decision.

- Ahab tricked Jehoshaphat. He disguised himself so the enemy doesn't recognize him as the king. Jehoshaphat was naive.
- Ahab was struck and died, and the dogs licked up his blood like what happened to Naboth.

Review/recap questions:
**Servant may add more questions*

1. How did Ahab and Jezebel offend the Lord again?
2. Show God's mercy even to the wicked.
3. What was the king's expectation from Micaiah?
4. What was the end of King Ahab?

Homework:
**Servant may add more questions*

1. What did Ahab want from Naboth?
   A) his money b) his house c) his vineyard
2. What was the name of Ahab's wife?
   a) Esther b) Helen c) Jezebel
3. Ahab hated Micaiah because
   a) he was jealous of him b) Micaiah does not prophesy good concerning him c) Micaiah was lying
4. What did Ahab the king of Israel do to Micaiah?
   a) killed him b) put him in prison c) rewarded him

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