

NABOTH AND JEZEBEL

1 Kings 21:1-29 (p. 563)

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*"Is this how you act as king over Israel? Get up and eat. Cheer up.
I'll get you the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite."
1 Kings 21:7*

1. Pleasure won by sin

*Sometime later there was an incident involving a vineyard belonging to Naboth the Jezreelite.
1 Kings 21:1*

Key application: There is enough sin in MY life to explain the effects of the curse on my "garden"

2. God gets involved

*Then the word of the Lord came to Elijah the Tishbite:
"Go down to meet Ahab the king of Israel, who rules in Samaria.
He is now in Naboth's vineyard, where he has gone to take possession of it.
Say to him, 'This is what the Lord says: Have you not murdered a man and seized his property?'"
1 Kings 21:17-19*

Key question: What is the convicting voice of the Holy Spirit saying to me?

3. Lessons from Jezreel

*Then the word of the Lord came to Elijah the Tishbite:
“Have you noticed how Ahab has humbled himself before me?
Because he has humbled himself, I will not bring this disaster on his day,
but I will bring it on his house in the days of his son.”*
1 Kings 21:28-29

1) Who is KING ?

2) God ALWAYS RESPONDS to authentic repentance

Further study of Elijah

*Concerning this salvation, the prophets who spoke of the grace
that was to come to you, searched intently*
1 Peter 1:10

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