

1: 1 Kings Elijah the Prophet

Ahab, the most wicked King of Israel God stated that King Ahab did more evil in his eyes than any other king before him. When the Lord of heaven makes this kind of comment about a person's life this clearly reveals that God was not pleased with Ahab's rule.

Elijah Meets and Rebukes Ahab 1 Kings These mini-events are like threads woven into a tapestry that combine to create an elegant and beautiful picture. By themselves, they may not appear significant, but they are all vital to the overall plan of God. In this lesson we view more threads woven into the picture of the great confrontation that takes place on Mount Carmel. This is a confrontation designed to demonstrate the power of God, to reprove the people for their vacillation and idolatry, and to challenge them to choose for the Lord. In this scene we get another glimpse into the character of this leader. It obviously stands as a warning for all who hold positions of leadership and influence, and yet there is a sense in which this applies to all of us because we each have some influence on others. The great display of the power of God later in this chapter is set against the impotence of Baal. It is designed to teach the people and King Ahab that the three-and-a-half years of drought followed by the coming rain was the work of Yahweh, the only true God. In the unfolding of this drama, several scenes occur that are important because of the lessons we can learn by pointing out the contrasts between those who walk with God in faith, trusting Him rather than their own plans, and those who do not. In addition, 1 Kings We simply do not like that. Our natural tendency is to avoid confrontation and conflict. Confrontation is rarely painless, never easy, often rejected, and always risky. But in some conditions it is commanded by Scripture, illustrated in Scripture, and often essential to spiritual growth, godliness and biblical change. Of course, confrontation needs to be done according to biblical principles, in a biblical way, for biblical reasons, and out of right motives. We usually avoid it for selfish reasons--out of fear of the consequences to ourselves. Such a response is neither faith nor love. It is pleasing ourselves rather than acting in faith and love. The prophets of old were often confrontational. They regularly faced people with their sins of independent living and called on them to face their need. The Lord Jesus and his apostles did the same. Paul opposed Peter to his face for his religious duplicity mentioned in Galatians 2: The Bible is not only confrontational but comforting. Nevertheless, because of the hardness of our hearts, because we love darkness rather than light and are so committed to living by our self-protective solutions, we are sometimes faced with the need of confrontation, resistance and conflict. Still, confrontation that challenges our commitment, our sources of happiness, significance, and security is essential and basic to the nature of the Word of God and the condition of men and women. Certainly, confrontation can be sinful depending on the method, the manner, and the motivation. When confrontation is biblical, however, it is a great act of love that demonstrates obedience to God and faith in Him regardless of the consequences. In it we see Obadiah, having responded to the ministry and encouragement of Elijah, leave to tell Ahab about Elijah who then goes to meet the prophet. In one we have encouragement. In the other confrontation and conflict. There is also a difference of needs. Obadiah needed only to be focused and encouraged. Ahab, who was caught up in the idolatry of Baalism, needed to be confronted with his sin that he rationalized by blaming others. Obviously we must deal with people differently and one of our tasks in ministering to others is to be discerning, to listen, and seek to understand the needs of the other person. For the mouth speaks out of that which fills the heart. All it needs is the right situation--and bang! The mouth speaks out the corruption that has been smoldering and festering within. This picture of treasure used by the Lord in the Matthew passage suggests the following: We store and keep them in our minds because we value them and put our trust in them. We keep them because we think they will provide us with our needs and wants. We think they will solve our problems. We think they will handle our pain or meet our needs as we perceive them. It is that which is opposed to God. It refers to an active evil that is malignant like cancer. It is against who and what He is to us and needs to be torn down, destroyed like a condemned building. As a treasure of the heart, it needs to be devalued, condemned, and thrown away as worthless 2 Cor. These evil treasures represent our human strategies by which we seek to handle life independently of faith in God and His principles of life. And that which is without faith in the right

object, God, is sin Rom. So, immediately, when he saw Elijah, his volcano of corruption erupted in accusations, name calling, maligning, criticism, and blame. We need to keep a close check on our hearts, our focus, and on the nature of what we store up as treasure. Solomon warns us of this in Proverbs 4: Though he was the King of Israel, he had been helpless. This illustrates the presence of evil treasures. His futile searches for Elijah hurt his pride and that fueled the anger and resentment stored in his heart. His pride was so easily hurt because he was living a life of futility and unbelief. Elijah had been making waves! Rather than having a witness to the nations, they had been conformed by the nations Ex. Oh how this scene has been repeated throughout history. The great pity of this scene is that there was no confession or repentance. These years had demonstrated the impotence of Baal and the Baal prophets, yet Ahab still refused to turn to the Lord. He refused to confess his sin and instead used another strategy from his evil treasure or bag of tricks. He turned to the old game of casting blame, hoping to cover his own tracks and guilt. Even when faced with the impotence of the way they have chosen, people typically refuse to face the music and tenaciously cling to their own ways of handling life. Do we resort to our protective solutions and attack the messenger God has sent to protect and bless us? He is one who disturbs our comfort zones and as a result is often maligned, shunned, criticized and more. What should be our response when facing such blame and accusations? Do we compromise the truth? Do we run and hide? Do we react or retaliate or do we level with people? Do we communicate the truth in love? Elijah Answers the King This was not retaliation, but an act of courageous love for King Ahab and all concerned. Elijah was standing before a king who was without any moral integrity. How could he be so bold? What can we learn from this so we too can handle the false accusations of those to whom God has called us to minister? Elijah had the boldness to confront because his confidence was in the Lord. He was an ambassador and servant of the King of Kings, the Sovereign of the universe, Yahweh Elohim, the One who holds all kings in His hand. Elijah was one who stood boldly aware of this as his comment in Like David, he knew his glory, reputation and significance likewise had to come from God, not people. This gave the prophet boldness and courage. But there was another reason for his boldness and confidence--he was a man with a conscience void of offense. Though not sinless as none of us are , he knew he had not compromised with Baalism. He had stood boldly against it and had been faithful to pray for the people. Faithfulness to the Lord gives us courage to minister and to confront from right motives. But by this denial, he was not simply trying to protect his ego or meet some need for praise and applause to feel good about himself. All of these things were true. All were evil and often the prophets did preach against such evils, but they did so primarily as evidence or symptoms of a deeper spiritual problem. King Ahab was living independently of God and His principles for life. This began in the Garden of Eden when Adam and Eve chose of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. Because you have rejected knowledge, I also will reject you from being My priest. It appealed to the flesh and the sexual appetites. When we turn away from following the Lord through fellowship with Him in the Word, we experience what we can call the vacuum action of the soul, or the pursuit of life through our own devices and the substitutes offered in the world around us. When we turn away from a personal relationship with the Lord, from depending on Him through His Word, we naturally turn to what we think will make us happy, secure, and significant. The Bible defines this as vain imaginations or futile speculations of the heart Rom. Some people turn to materialism, some to the occult. Others turn to religion and ritualism. Some become workaholics and pursue the corporate ladder in search of position, power, and prestige. In the midst of all of this, people use their own defense and escape mechanisms to deal with rejection, fear, personality conflicts, family problems, and even our national problems.

2: My Wayâ€™ The Story of Ahab and Jezebel | www.enganchecubano.com

1 - Said unto Ahab As a deeply committed man of God, Elijah was given a message for the wicked king. 3 - Get thee hence He was not to stay to discuss the matter. In fact, we may imagine that as soon as Ahab realized the significance of the message he became angry and sent soldiers to catch the prophet.

Paid them no more tribute, but utterly disclaimed their authority over them. Moab had been subdued by David, as Edom was; and, upon the division of his kingdom, the former was adjoined to that of Israel, and the latter to that of Judah, each to that kingdom upon which it bordered. But when the kingdoms of Israel and Judah were weak, and forsaken by God, they took that opportunity to revolt from them: Moab here, and Edom a little after. See note on Gen. Ahab had been a powerful, though evil, king. He had kept the subjection of Moab going during his reign. Many believe that Moab had payed tribute for at least 40 years. At the death of Ahab, they saw their opportunity to get free, and took it. This king of the northern kingdom of Israel is not to be confused with Ahaziah of Judah 8: This suggests that he was the storm god who controlled diseases brought by flies. It was not sturdy enough to keep Ahaziah from falling to the ground below for unexplained reasons. This took place in B. Philistine soothsayers enjoyed a wide reputation in those times 1 Sam. The northernmost of the major Philistine cities, located about 22 miles west of Jerusalem see note on 1 Sam. Ahaziah had followed his father Ahab to the throne. This means that Ahaziah had fallen from the second floor, and injured himself severely. He was, possibly, so broken up, that he was near death. Ahab and Jezebel were worshippers of Baal. It is logical that their son would be, too. This Baal-zebub, the god of Ekron, was a false deity. Ahaziah had placed his faith in a nothing. This false god could not help him. Although some interpret this as a reference to the pre-incarnate Christ e. Probably here the reference is to an angelic messenger, like the one sent earlier by the Lord to Elijah The record of this unusual prophet to Israel begins in 1 Kings This is a message, which speaks truth. They had turned their backs on the One True God, to worship Baal. They were not seeking God, but Baal. Ahaziah died from the injuries from his fall in B. This was a merciful application of the Mosaic Law Exodus Elijah gave the messengers the message the LORD had sent him with, and departed. He did not want to be hunted down and killed. Ahaziah would die for his worship of the evil false gods. This was not what he wanted to hear, but was the truth. Ahaziah knew that the messengers had not been gone long enough to receive a message from the false god. He wants them to explain why, they are back so soon. Then they repeated all that is said by the angel to Elijah, and he had delivered to them 2 Kings 1: And which was a sufficient reason for their turning back, since they got a full answer from a man of God, of what they were to inquire of at Ekron. Which was, whether the king would recover of this disease or not. They gave the message to him the very way that Elijah had told them to. They did not tell him, however, that the message had been given them by Elijah. What was his habit or clothing? And he said, It [is] Elijah the Tishbite. The language supports the second viewpoint that Elijah wore a coarse wool garment girded at the waist with a leather belt. It is highly unlikely that they had not known Elijah and his reputation. They were, probably, afraid to tell him who the prophet was. They were afraid for their own lives. Notice, how a true prophet is dressed. And he went up to him: And he spake unto him, Thou man of God, the king hath said, Come down. A technical title for a man who spoke for God 1 Kings Ahaziah had probably heard how Elijah called down fire from heaven, and then killed prophets of Baal. He would take no chances with him not coming. He sent 50 of his best men to bring him back. He was sitting on the top of a hill, when they found him. They call him "man of God". This was the proof that Elijah was a prophet of the Lord and entitled to respect. And there came down fire from heaven, and consumed him and his fifty. There is a reference to this very thing in the following Scripture in the New Testament. He could have been known as the prophet of fire. He had no sooner said it, than the fifty were consumed of the fire. And he answered and said unto him, O man of God, thus hath the king said, Come down quickly. Which the king added to his orders, or he himself, signifying he would not be trifled with, if he did not come down directly, he would force him. And the fire of God came down from heaven, and consumed him and his fifty. The very same thing happened to the captain and his fifty of the second group that happened to the first group. Notice, the statement, "if I be a man of God". And the third

captain of fifty went up, and came and fell on his knees before Elijah, and besought him, and said unto him, O man of God, I pray thee, let my life, and the life of these fifty thy servants, be precious in thy sight. And the third captain of fifty went up; instead of calling to the prophet at the bottom of the hill as the other did, he went up to the top of it. And came and fell on his knees before Elijah": In reverence of him as a prophet of the Lord, and under a dread of the power he was possessed of, of calling for fire from heaven on him and his men, as the former instances showed. News had travelled back about what had happened to the first two groups. This third captain came, because his king sent him. He wanted to live, but he had to carry out the message of the king. He begs for his life, and the life of his men. By sparing it, what is precious and valuable being spared. He makes Elijah aware that he knows of the other groups, who had come to get him. And he arose, and went down with him unto the king. The appearance of the angel is bringing the message to Elijah, to have no fear of what might happen to him. Elijah obeyed the message sent to him by the angel of the LORD. Yahweh controls life and well-being. When people do not pray or they turn to things like money, sex, or status for what only God can provide, they act like God does not exist. This implies, that he would have been saved, if he had sent to Elijah in the first place, rather than to the false god. And Jehoram reigned in his stead in the second year of Jehoram the son of Jehoshaphat king of Judah; because he had no son. Jehoram the son of Ahab and brother of Ahaziah reigned over the northern kingdom from to B. Some believe Jehoram was the brother of Ahaziah. Jehoram and Joram are the same person. We can see that Ahab had high hopes for this son, as well, by the name he gave him. Ahaziah did not even finish his second year of reign. Jehoram began, before the second year was up. This is a bit confusing speaking of Jehoram as the son of Jehoshaphat. We will not belabor that here. The main thing we must know, is that he was evil, and the last of the family of Ahab to reign. The historical book is mentioned again. How long had Moab paid tribute to Israel? What accident did Ahaziah have? Where did he send messengers? What did he send them for? Who was the god of Ekron?

3: Children's Bible Lessons: Lesson - Elijah At Mount Carmel

When the false prophets of Baal were dead, Elijah came under a death threat by Jezebel, the wicked wife of King Ahab. As Israel's queen, she brought the worship of her god Baal into the nation, influencing King Ahab to worship Baal and set up idols in Israel (1 Kings ; 1 Kings).

It was originally written for an upper elementary Sunday School class. These include links to crafts, worksheets, and supplemental lesson plans about Ahab and Elijah. Students will have an understanding God provides for those who are obedient to Him and He punishes those who disobey His commands. When we choose to sin we are influencing others to follow our sin. What are some instructions we need to follow every day? Allow students to respond. What are the instructions allow students to give the steps to hand washing? What would happen if your friend forgets what you said and just uses soap and lathers up his hands and wipes them on a towel? Suppose he forgets to use soap and just put his hands under the water and dry them off with a towel? This was a simple example of following instructions. Instructions are important because when followed we will have the best results for what we are doing. Choosing to not wash your hands can cause illness due to the germs on your hands. God has given us very important instructions in His Word, the Bible. When we follow the instructions He has given us we will live a life that pleases Him. Go over Memory Verse that has been written on the board where students can see. When God promised Abraham he would have many descendants family members , those family members as a group of people have names that are used to identify them throughout the Bible. God had been given many promises to His children. He gave them their own land and gave them laws to follow so that they could be His special people. God promised the Jewish people that if they would obey Him their lives would be blessed. Because God is holy He also told them that if they chose to disobey His commands He would have to punish their sins. The Jewish people are humans just like you and me. They were born with sin so to disobey came very naturally to them. They had the One, True, Living God as the God whom they worshiped and yet they chose to be a rebellious and disobedient people. When the Jewish people lived in the land God gave them they wanted to be like the people around them who did not obey the One, True Living God. The people living in the countries around them had kings as their rulers. God was their King but since they thought they should be like the wicked, sinful people around them, He allowed them to have a king. One of the kings God gave to His children was David. David was a good king. After David died his son Solomon began to rule the people of Israel. There are always consequences to sin. After Solomon died God divided Israel, the land the Jewish people were living in into two kingdoms. They are called the northern and southern kingdoms. A king ruled the southern kingdom and the northern kingdom was ruled by a king. The king of the southern kingdom ruled the area called Judah. The king who ruled over the northern kingdom ruled the area called Israel. Show map of the two kingdoms. All through the history of the two kingdoms, the northern kingdom had wicked kings. Judah had many kings who loved and pleased God. In our story today the king who is ruling over the northern kingdom is King Ahab. Read 1 Kings King Ahab was a wicked king. Ahab married a Sidonian woman. She was not a Jewish woman. God told His people that they should not marry women who do not worship the One, True God. The woman that Ahab married was named Jezebel. Jezebel had not been taught in her home to worship Jehovah God, but she had been taught that Baal was her god. Baal was a stone god that the people worshiped. They offered their infant children as sacrifices to their god. Baal was not a god; anyone who worshiped Baal was worshiping Satan himself. King Ahab who never should have married Jezebel in the first place brings her into his family and makes her his wife. As the leader of his family he should have never allowed her to bring her Baal worship into their home. This was a very wicked thing. This is why we should never marry a non-believer. We might think we will be an influence on them but the truth of the matter is that evil usually has more influence over good. Because God loved His people He sent messengers called prophets to warn them that they needed to turn away from their sin so they would not experience His punishment. In our lesson today the prophet God has sent is a man named Elijah. We cannot miss this important point. This was a terrible sin! God told the Jewish people in the 10 commandments that they were to have no other gods besides Him. God was their God. They had no need for

any pretend gods. The bad influence of Ahab and Jezebel affected the Jewish people and many people sinned as a result. Elijah knew that God must punish sin. God had told the people what would happen if they disobeyed Him. God hates sin because He knows it brings death. We might think it is strange that Elijah would pray this. Elijah knew that God punishes sin. Elijah knew that Israel had the One, True God who was living and was able to care for his people. He also knew that difficult circumstances cause people to cry out to God. This could be one reason Elijah prayed this prayer. What do you think King Ahab and Jezebel did as this messenger from God stood before them? Elijah would trust God to take care of him. He told him that he could drink water from the brook. He also said that He had commanded the ravens to feed him there. Elijah showed that he trusted God by obeying His word. You are going to feed me with food carried by unclean ravens? Instead Elijah trusted and obeyed the One, True God. When Elijah got to the brook he had plenty of water to drink. Just as God had said, every morning and every night God sent ravens with bread and meat for Elijah to eat. Even the ravens obeyed God. The drought came just as Elijah said it would. As time passed with no rain, the brook began to dry up and there was no more water for Elijah to drink. God had taken care of him this far, would God continue to help Elijah? Next week we will see how God helps Elijah in his time of need. Play musical chairs and when the music stops the student left standing answers a question. Why did God make the Jewish people have two kingdoms? Who was the king over Israel in our story? How did Jezebel influence the land of Israel? She worshiped Baal 6. What is a prophet? What did God say would happen if the people chose to worship other gods? God would cause a drought in the land 8. What did Elijah pray? What did Elijah tell the King and his wife? There will be no rain except by his word How did God take care of Elijah? If you want a blessed life what must you do?

4: The Story of Elijah, the Prophet

At the end of 1 Kings 16 we learned that Israel was becoming increasingly wicked, was led by a wicked king, and did not listen to the servants of God inviting them to repent.

The Old Testament Presents Reflections of Christ by Paul R. The time covered by 1Kings is about years. The book begins with the death of David and closes with the death of Ahab. We therefore read these sad words in 1Kings Chapter 2 tells how this shepherd, warrior, king, and psalmist went to be with the Lord. This book is important because it tells a story of sharp contrast: The nation divided into two kingdoms-- Israel in the north and Judah in the south. King after king led the people into idolatry. Two men stand out more conspicuously than all the rest named in 1Kings-- Solomon and Elijah. The story really centers upon these two leaders. As we study these men, we fulfill the purpose for this volume-- to see Christ in every book of the Old Testament. Jewish legend says that Solomon could even converse with the beasts of the field. His proverbs, 3, of which are recorded, demonstrate the great wisdom that God had given him. What marvelous guidelines they are for the conduct of life even now! Peace and prosperity 4: The land had been torn apart by war. Now came a time of calm, of peace. The building of the temple chapters Out of Israel came 30, men working in relays of 10, per month. God enters the temple chapter 8. When the structure was completed and dedicated, the glory cloud, the shekinah, came down and filled it. This was the visible manifestation of the presence of God in the midst of His people. The visit of the Queen of Sheba chapter God has decreed that a man is going to rule this world in wisdom. A temple will again stand in old Jerusalem. If you study carefully Ezekiel 40 through 49 , you will learn about this magnificent edifice. The glory of the Lord will fill that place, and people of all nations will come to it. Zechariah delivered this additional prophecy: And it shall be, in that day, that living waters shall go out from Jerusalem; half of them toward the former sea, and half of them toward the hinder sea; in summer and in winter shall it be. And it shall come to pass that everyone that is left of all the nations which came against Jerusalem shall even go up from year to year to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, and to keep the feast of tabernacles. Chapter 10 tells of Solomon and all his glory. The division of the kingdom and fall into idolatry soon followed. We naturally wonder why. The answer, of course, is that fallen man spoils everything he touches. From this point onward, the Lord God no longer revealed Himself primarily to kings; rather, He turned to the prophets. From 1Kings 11 to the beginning of the New Testament, God spoke to His people primarily through these specially chosen men. The same conditions exist now as did then. This wicked woman introduced Baal worship and other forms of idolatry. Ahab was sitting in the place of authority on the throne of Israel, yet he was denying the God of Israel. Similar conditions are sometimes seen in the conduct of the religious leaders of our day. In 1Kings 18 we read of two prophets, Obadiah and Elijah. Obadiah feared the Lord and fed the prophets of God who were hiding in a cave. But he lived in the house of Ahab, a compromising position! Ahab never spoke a word against Obadiah. Elijah did not shrink from a confrontation with Ahab. Government by man always ends in disorder. Yet even though the thrones of earth disintegrate, the throne of heaven will abide forever. Used by permission [within The Book from thebookworm. Further distribution is not allowed without permission from RBC. For another brief look at this book of the Bible.,

5: Topical Bible: The Death of the Wicked: Jezebel

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The pages of our Bibles are filled with accounts of men that seem larger than life. People like Moses, David, Daniel, Paul and others, all seem to be characters that are so far above the realm of our own experience that we may feel like we can never be like them. All of these people were just that: The fellow in our text is no different. When I read about the life and ministry of Elijah, I am amazed at his courage and at his power with God. Yet, I am reminded by the Word of God that Elijah "was a man subject to like passion as we are. This morning, I am going to begin a series of messages that will focus on the life and ministry of this man named Elijah. We will call this series "Elijah: The Prophet of Courage and Confrontation". God can take any life that will be totally yielded to His will and use that life for His glory. Our goal this morning is to see whether or not we possess this kind of life within ourselves. If not, then you will be given the opportunity to get where God can use you.

His Home - This verse tells us that Elijah was from a place called Tishbe in the region known as Gilead. Gilead was a rough, mountainous area known for its high peaks and deep valleys. The very name "Gilead" in its Hebrew form means "raw or rugged. When he stepped onto the scene and began his ministry, his methods, his mannerisms and his message were as rough and rugged as the place he called home.

His Humanity - We are given an interesting insight into the prophet Elijah in the book of James. And he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain, and the earth brought forth her fruit. As one follows the life of Elijah, it becomes clear that he was a mere mortal. He was a man with a fiery temper, who was prone to bouts of depression. He also suffered from loneliness, due to the life of solitude from which he ministered. The emphasis here is that the Lord is not looking for spiritual giants to use for His glory. He is simply looking for people who will readily obey His Word and follow Him where He leads them. You see, nothing at all is known about Elijah until he steps onto the scene in the presence of king Ahab. He was a nobody from nowhere, but he was handpicked by the Lord God to do His will and to carry His message to a wayward nation. The bottom line is this: God wants your obedient surrender to His will more than He wants anything else you can give to Him, 1 Sam. According to the Bible, 1 Kings Besides that, he was married to a wretchedly evil woman named Jezebel. She was the daughter of the king of Zidon. This too was an offense to the Lord, 1 Kings Jezebel was from a group of people who were ardent Baal worshipers. And she, along with her husband Ahab, did more to introduce the worship of Baal to the people of Israel than any other ruling family, 1 Kings This produced a state of affairs in Israel, where people lost all regard for the commandments of God. This is illustrated by 1 Kings This was in direct disobedience to a clear command of God, Josh. Yet, it was to this king that God sent the prophet Elijah. Elijah walked right into the presence of king Ahab and delivered the message of the Lord without flinching. He told Ahab that there would be no rain or dew until he said there would be. It took courage to defy the wicked ruler! When I first met him, I expected to find the man in a chrome helmet with loaded weapons all around him and double bars on the door. He is now ministering a great deal in the hospitals to those dying of AIDS, but standing firm for the truth, that the only hope beyond this life is a faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. He told a wonderful story of how he was sitting, reading the newspaper one day. It was a homosexual rights issue. He just went to the city-council meeting. He sat there and heard the legislation. The council was about to take a vote. The chairman said, "Is there anyone who has anything to say? Then he stood up and said, "I would like to say something. Before you sit down, who are those people--Moses and David and Paul? That is straight thinking and courage. Each of us needs to manifest that same kind of courage! America today is headed down the same road that Israel was on back then. We have sacrificed our innocence for the pleasures of the flesh. We have openly mocked the written Word of God. We have turned a deaf ear to the cry of the millions of the unborn who are slain in the name of convenience every year in this country. We have paid homage to the onslaught of sexually explicit programming that invades our homes on a daily basis. We have sacrificed our morality to gratify our flesh. We have watched in mock horror as our sons and our daughters yield their bodies to the perversions of premarital sex,

homosexuality, and lesbianism. We stand by in mute silence while the minds of our own children are captivated by the siren song of prosperity, selfish indulgence and independence from God. We pass their choice of music off as a fad. We have no say in where they go or what they do. We have watched this once great, godly nation become reduced to a stagnated cesspool of iniquity, open sin and outright hostility to God Almighty! This was a direct attack against the false religion of Baal worship. You see, Baal was the Canaanite god of fertility. He was seen in the thunder heads and in the rain that fell. Baal worship was usually conducted on the tops of hills where statues of Ball were built. Typically, these Baal shrines were staffed by priests and priestesses. Worship was carried out through performing sexual acts with one of these ministers of Baal. It was their belief that when you were joined to a priest or a priestess in a sexual union, that you literally became a god or a goddess for that period of time. One of the most horrible aspects of Baal worship existed in the realm of human sacrifice. When there was time of drought, it was supposed to mean that Baal was angry with the people. To get his attention, they would often sacrifice a firstborn child by burning it alive. It was a terrible religion that existed to gratify the flesh. There is much more that could be said about Baal worship, but this is enough to see why it was an offence to the Lord God of Israel. After all, it involved breaking many of the commandments, but especially numbers and When Elijah made his announcement, he was declaring war on Baal. It took great courage to stand up before the chief promoter of that false religion and in effect say, "My God is greater than Baal! And to prove it, God is going to shut off the spigot. There will be no rain until I say so. Can you imagine how they must have laughed at him and mocked him? That is kind of courage we need to see manifested in this day. This is the kind of courage that was derived from time spent with God and from angry indignation over the sins of the nation of Israel. This is the kind of courage that stands up against ridicule. It is the kind of courage that protests things like abortion, the homosexual agenda, the erosion of religious liberties, etc. It is the kind of courage that makes a difference for God in these days of self-indulgence. It is the kind of courage that says, "I will be different, regardless of what it costs me or my family. I will stand for God! Can God count on us to stand? His Designation - His very name tells us his testimony. His name tells us that he had a personal relationship with the God of Heaven. My friends, this is the first and crucial step in becoming anything for God. Until you know Him you cannot serve Him! Has there been that time in your life when you met the God of Heaven in a personal way? His Dependence - By walking into the presence of Ahab and Jezebel in the name of Jehovah, Elijah was demonstrating that in his life and ministry, he was totally dependent upon the Lord. He was not trusting the arm of flesh, but was resting in the everlasting arms by faith. There is a huge difference! This is the secret of success for the child of God living in a wicked world. Only when we are totally yielded to God in total dependence, will we be assured of success.

6: What can we learn from the life of Elijah?

Wicked King Ahab. Showing 12 coloring pages related to - Wicked King Ahab. Some of the coloring page names are Elijah elijah elijah mccooy, 10 s about bible elijah elisha on 1 kings elijah mount carmel, 10 s about bible elijah elisha on 1 kings elijah mount carmel, Mojacko, Pokemon paradij's kleurplaat pikachu, Flames for, Elijah and the prophets of baal az elijah mount, Elijah ahab and prophets.

Write "Isaiah" on small slips of paper and hand out to the students at the end of class, so they are able to memorize one more book of the Old Testament. A picture of a juniper tree. Divide the whiteboard into four sections like the last page of the activity see Activity below and picture above. When bad things happen in the world, there may be times in our lives where we may think that we are the only ones who are worshipping God. That is what Elijah thought, too. She should have been angry with her idol, Baal, because the stone statue had not answered her prophets of Baal, but she was angry with Elijah instead! She sent a messenger to Elijah who said what Jezebel was going to do to Elijah what had been done to the prophets of Baal. What had happened to the prophets of Baal? They had been killed! Jezebel was going to kill Elijah! When Elijah heard that, he ran for his life! He went to a city called Beersheba and dropped off his servant there, but he went by himself out into the wilderness and sat down under a juniper tree. He was very sad. He asked God to take away his life and he went to sleep under the tree. While Elijah was sleeping, an angel touched him and said, "Get up and eat. The angel again touched him a second time and said, "Get up and eat because you are going on a long journey. Mount Horeb was also called the mountain of God. While at the mountain, Elijah found a cave and spent the night there. God spoke to him and said, "What are you doing here, Elijah? Then there was an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake. After the earthquake, there was a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire. Then, there was a small, still voice. When Elijah heard the small, still voice, he wrapped his coat around his face and stood at the mouth of the cave. Then the voice asked Elijah, "What are doing here, Elijah? We must just keep obeying God, no matter if there is 7, or just one. We must obey God! Just like Moses hid his face when God spoke to him from the burning bush and he was afraid to look at God, Elijah hid his face as well, as a sign perhaps of respect. God is so smart and knows everything! He told Elijah to go back by way of Damascus because He knew that Jezebel would not find him by going that way. We must always remember that we are never alone; God is always with us. The Small, Still Voice Materials needed: Fold paper in half. Fold paper in half again. On the outside of the paper, completely folded, write " Elijah stood on Mt. Fold paper up to take home.

7: Ahab, the most wicked King of Israel - Amazing Bible Timeline with World History

The false god Elijah opposed was Baal, the favorite deity of Jezebel, wife of King Ahab of Israel. To please Jezebel, Ahab had altars erected to Baal, and the queen murdered God's prophets. To please Jezebel, Ahab had altars erected to Baal, and the queen murdered God's prophets.

Bible studies in the life of Elijah

â€” The background and introduction to his times By Fraser Gordon

Introduction I would like to start teaching on the character of Elijah so we will look at some of the lessons we can learn from his life. He is a massive character from the Old Testament and we will pick up the story in 1st Kings. This study will explore the background and context in his day leading up to Elijah bursting onto the scene. We need to go a little way back to understand the days in which Elijah lived. After Solomon died the kingdom split between his two sons. He was afraid that he would lose the people from the north down to the south. So he actually set up temples of worship in the Northern Kingdom. He set up one temple in the north which was in Dan and one in the southern part which was at Bethel. Now in those temples he put golden calves that the people could worship. Israel quickly returned to idolatry. Do you remember the story of how Moses led the people out of Egypt and was up the mountain a long time? This king Jeroboam did exactly the same thing. He set up two temples within his half of the land and within those temples he put golden calves so that the people would worship them and not Jehovah. So idolatry was beginning to spread within the land. And Ahab his son succeeded him as king. Now we are introduced to this king Ahab and what scripture says about him is that he actually did more evil than all that were before him. Not a good introduction to this king! So Ahab is the king of Israel when Elijah comes into scripture. In verse 31 above, it also says that it was a trivial thing for him to walk in the sins of Jeroboam. And those sins, as mentioned above, were setting up temples with golden calves to stop the people going to Jerusalem to worship. For Ahab this was just a minute thing, something of little importance. But then you are introduced to this woman Jezebel. What do we know about Jezebel? She is a well-known and strong-willed woman in contrast to Ahab who was pretty weak. Obviously it was an arranged marriage for she was a Sidonian princess who came from the region of Tyre and if you know anything about Tyre in scripture, you will know that Ezekiel has lots to say about the king of Tyre. The king of Tyre actually personifies Satan himself in his attitudes in raising himself up. So Jezebel came from this region and she introduced into Israel all of these foreign gods and foreign acts of worship to them. Now her objective really was to seduce the people of Israel and lead them astray. So she introduced Baal worship. So the actual spirit of Jezebel is one that wants to lead people astray. And what you see with this woman is that she is really, really strong, really active, and has come into power with a king that is quite weak. So she actually changes the direction of Ahab. At first pluralism was okay. In other words you could worship Jehovah and worship Baal and that was fine. When she started off it was okay to worship both but she ended up destroying, or trying to destroy, any mention of Jehovah or Yahweh throughout the land. Glimpses of the future from the past. And there is a little bit of a picture or type here of what it will be like in the last days. Pluralism, that you can worship multiple gods, is only valid in society to a point but then it gets nasty. A lot of the West has been founded on Biblical principles and I was thinking about things that are coming in. The tide is actually changing in our Western countries. There was a bill passed in America in stating that it was offensive to call homosexuality a sin as the Bible calls it. You could be prosecuted for speaking about it in that way. There have been pastors in Sweden, Canada and America that have been taken to court because they have said in church that this kind of behaviour as far as God is concerned is actually wrong. So tolerance only lasts so long and it is going to be like that, I believe, in the last days. It will come down to the essential issue which is Jesus Christ and who He said He was. The principle that is played out here in the time of Ahab will again have its time further down the track. But God always has His people. Elijah was one but he thought he was the only one! So Jezebel introduces Baal worship. Does anyone know who Baal was? It was the Canaanite godâ€”a male deity that she brought in. Baal was the god of the rain and the god of fertility. It was the god of the crops, like the farming god. Whenever they wanted to pray for rain, they would pray to Baal. So she really was the main instigator in leading Ahab astray but also she led the people in this type of worship throughout

the whole land. So Samaria was the capital of the Northern Kingdom where he built another temple to Baal. Ahab made a wooden image and did more to provoke the Lord God to anger than all the kings of Israel that were before him. Beware the year old curse! He laid its foundations at the cost of his firstborn son Abiram, and he set up its gates at the cost of his youngest son Segub, in accordance with the word of the LORD spoken by Joshua son of Nun. When Joshua came into the land of Canaan the first city to oppose him was Jericho and the entire nation of Israel walked quietly around the city. The people obeyed and on the seventh day the walls came down. It was something that God did miraculously apart from any fighting the Israelites had to do. They looked absolutely stupid but that is the way that God chose to do it. And the Holy Spirit puts it in here to show the state that Ahab was in. No one dared to rebuild for they knew the scriptures He carried on, losing his youngest son when they put the gates on the city. Time for godliness to step in When you get to chapter 17 you are introduced to Elijah and I really want to only have a look at verse 1 in this study because he bursts onto the scene. He is a little bit like Melchizedek in that there is no family historyâ€ he just appears. He is a really interesting character almost like Peter in the New Testament. He had some really good strengths but he has also got massive weaknesses. He is someone you can relate to â€” he is not a superman But he also does some wonderful things for the Lord. He is the first person to raise someone from the dead and we know that he himself did not experience death - he was taken away in a chariot. He is probably one of the two witnesses that return in the last days. So Elijah, and the Spirit of Elijah, in the Jewish mind, is really big. He will restore the children back to the fathers as the prophecy in Malachi 4: In other words, his ministry is one of restoration. He will bring the people back to Jehovah. Elijah the Tishbite came from the inhabitants of Gilead. Apparently Gilead was a wild, rugged country area They were known for their really rough life style in the way that they lived. In James chapter 5 verse it says: The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective. He prayed earnestly that it would not rain, and it did not rain on the land for three and a half years. So James is speaking of a righteous man and then he gives the example of Elijah. Elijah was a man with a nature like ours. And he prayed earnestly that it might not rain; and it did not rain on the earth for three years and six months! And he prayed again, and the sky poured rain and the earth produced its fruit. So you are just given this little snippet into Elijah that he was a man of prayer. And he was a man that prayed earnestly. You just get this little picture that as he is watching the faith of his people wane away and seeing the land go towards idolatry, you see that he was really deeply concerned for the faith of Jehovah and for where the people were going. And he prayed earnestly as he watched all the temples of Jehovah being torn down and replaced by Baal worship. There was something in the heart of Elijah that just drove him towards prayer and the New Testament just gives you that little snippet there. And he prayed, and he prayed and it came to a point where he actually had to confront Ahab. So you see it was a small thing for Elijah to stand before a king because he had spent that much time previously in the presence of Jehovah. Elijah - A weather forecaster who is actually accurate! He knew that Jehovah lived, and he said that he stood before him. Elijah could stand before Ahab for he was always conscious that he stood before God first and foremost.

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With this question, you can see the agitation, anger, and hurt to King Ahab's pride over his inability to find Elijah during the preceding three-and-half-years. Though he was the King of Israel, he had been helpless.

Review the 22 books of the Old Testament until you are confident that your Bible Students have memorized the books well. This a great visual lesson with great drama. It only takes preparation for a good lesson and your students will remember this one for their entire lives. Notice that this is a longer lesson than some of our other lessons. At the time of our lesson today, Samaria is going through a severe famine. Do we remember what a famine is? Yes, it is a time that there is no food. Do we remember why there might not be any food in Samaria? God told Elijah to tell the most wicked king of Israel, King Ahab, that it was not going to rain for a long time, so that meant there was no rain for the crops or the cattle. It was a long, dry time because we know when God says something, it is Truth. He had done good things for the LORD. King Ahab told Obadiah that they would go out and look for water, so the horses and mules would not die. They divided the land between the two of them. Obadiah went one way to look for water and King Ahab went the other. As they are looking for water, Obadiah met Elijah. Elijah told Obadiah to tell King Ahab that he was there to meet with him. After much discussion, Obadiah did as Elijah had asked him to do. When Ahab saw Elijah, he asked him, "Are you the one who is troubling Israel? The first thing Elijah said to the children of Israel was, "How long are you going to stand between two opinions? No one said one word! So, then Elijah told them why they were there. They had two bullocks that they would sacrifice. They each would kill one bullock and fix it up and lay it on the wood, but they would put NO fire under it. The prophets of Baal thought that was a great idea. So, the prophets of Baal took their bullock and did just as Elijah said. Then they called on the name of Baal from morning until noon, but there was answer from Baal. At noon Elijah mocked them and said that maybe Baal was sleeping or maybe he had gone on vacation. That made the prophets cry out even louder, then they started cutting themselves like their habit was which was a terrible thing to do. Soon, they carried on until the evening, and, still, there was answer from Baal. Finally, Elijah told the people to come close and they did. He repaired the altar of the LORD that the prophets had broken down. Then he did something odd. He made a deep trench all around the altar. He put the wood in order, put the pieces of the bullock on the wood, then he said to fill four barrels with water and to pour the water all over the sacrifice and the wood. Then he said to do it again!! Four more barrels of water! Then he said to do it again! Another four more barrels of water poured all over the sacrifice and wood. How many barrels all together? There was so much water that the water filled up the trench all around the altar! Maybe we should talk about water and fire and wood. Does fire burn wood that has water on it? Why do firemen put water on burning houses? To put the fire out! And then do you know what happened???? Fire from the LORD came from heaven, burnt up all the sacrifice, burnt all of the wood, burnt up all the stones, burnt up all the dust, burnt up all the water that was in the trench!!! And what did the people do? When they saw what happened, they fell on their faces and worshiped who? How powerful God is!! He wanted to make certain that no one could say "that it just happened" or maybe that it had been a trick. There was no room for doubt in this lesson. Because this is a rather lengthy lesson with much to tell, the Bible teacher may want to have barrels and stones pre-cut before the students come to class. Hand out white paper. Make two brown curved brown lines on each of the twelve barrels. Glue barrels around three sides of white paper. Number the twelve barrels with a dark crayon.. Glue three rows of four rocks tp make altar, leaving room for blue trench. This is the wood. Cut 6 or 7 pieces of red paper scraps. Glue red paper on top of wood. Draw blue water around the bottom of the altar. The the fire of the LORD fell and consumed the burnt sacrifice, and the wood, and the stones and the dust, and licked up the water that was in the trench. Underline in red all the of the things that were burned up from the fire of the LORD.

9: Elijah - the Prophet

Elijah met Ahab in Naboth's vineyard and pronounced God's judgment on both him and his wife for their wicked deed. It was several years later when that judgment came on Ahab, and it too is a story of self-will.

October 16, Ahab, the most wicked King of Israel God stated that King Ahab did more evil in his eyes than any other king before him. He married a foreign woman named Jezebel who worshiped the god Baal and he built a temple to honor this god in Samaria. He also built altars and idols to another pagan deity named Asherah. He allowed Jezebel to kill godly priests and a godly man named Naboth. He also created problems for the prophet Elijah while he was alive. Omri was a wicked ruler and he taught his son his evil ways. After Omri had passed away Ahab took what he had learned from his father and put it into practice while he ruled Israel. God sent a prophet named Elijah to resolve this situation. The land of Israel was experiencing a severe famine at the time. Obadiah did what the king had commanded him. King Ahab Obadiah began to search Israel for some green pastures and while he was out performing his duties, he met up with Elijah. Obadiah was a godly man who hid many prophets away from Jezebel. When Obadiah saw Elijah he bowed to him and they started to talk. Elijah told Obadiah to tell Ahab that he was going to pay him a visit. Obadiah was afraid to tell King Ahab because the king and Jezebel had wanted to capture Elijah since he was the leader of the prophets. Ultimately, Obadiah did as Elijah told him to and Ahab met up with him. So Elijah confronted Ahab and told him that him to summon the prophets of Baal. There was a showdown between the prophet of God and the false prophets. Elijah won this confrontation. King Ahab wanted his vineyard because it was beautiful and it was located near his royal palace. King Ahab wanted to pay Naboth for his vineyard or exchange it for another vineyard. Naboth refused to part with it because it was a family plot. King Ahab became upset and was depressed about the situation. She devised a scheme where two men bore a false witness against Naboth claiming that he cursed God and the king. The people stoned Naboth for these sins. Jezebel then told King Ahab to take his land because he was dead. God once again used Elijah to inform King Ahab that dogs will lick up his blood in the same spot where Naboth died. Ultimately, King Ahab lost his life at the battle of Ramoth-Gilead. His blood that was washed off of his chariot was licked up by dogs in the city of Samaria in the same place where Naboth was unjustly killed.

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