

Message Summary

Topic: Kings of the Old Testament - Ahab

Text: 1 Kings 16:29-33; 21:17-29

The Christian we must never be

The 7th King of Israel, Ahab, was worse than all the Kings of Israel before him. He is an example of how an unbeliever would act.

1. Desire for Ungodly Relations (1 Kings 16:29-33)

Ahab was in an unequally yoked marriage together with Jezebel. Because Ahab wanted peace with the Zidonians, he married Jezebel who was a very wicked Queen. Due to this, Ahab never received true spiritual peace.

Similarly for us, we cannot have unequally yoked relations, not only in BGR but also with our close friends. We have to make sure we are surrounded by Godly like-minded people that we may not be tempted to do wrong against God.

2. Deny God's Blessing (1 Kings 17-19)

Ahab saw the miracles Elijah did and how he emerged victorious against the 450 false prophets and reported these things unto Jezebel. Jezebel responded with an oath that she will kill Elijah just like how he killed her prophets. Ahab kept silent through this, signifying that he did not care even after seeing the great miracles and blessings from the Lord.

3. Despise God's Help (1 Kings 20)

Ahab sought after peace for himself, to the point that he would give away his family to protect himself. He did not care about God nor his testimony but only care about his possessions. Only when Ahab realised his possessions were at stake, then he acted violently against the King of Syria and declared war against them.

Even after this, the Lord was gracious to Ahab and allowed him to get the victory twice. Twice the Lord showed to him His power, yet he rejected and did not hear.

4. Disobey God's Law and Commandments (1 Kings 21)

Ahab wanted the land of Naboth to build his garden of herbs. Naboth was a righteous man for he believed in the Lord's blessings- the land that he had was an inheritance from his fathers. Ahab was very sad because of this. He reacted in a childish manner and showed disorderly behaviour. This is the outcome of someone who disobeys God's law and commandments.