## Ahab and Jezebel

"There was never anyone like Ahab, who sold himself to do evil in the eyes of the LORD, urged on by Jezebel his wife." 1 Kings 21:25

AHAB REPRESENTS THE		HUSBAND
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• JEZEBEL REPRESENTS THE	WIFE

#### **THE PASSIVE HUSBAND**

"Ahab said to Naboth, "Let me have your vineyard to use for a vegetable garden, since it is close to my palace. In exchange I will give you a better vineyard or, if you prefer, I will pay you whatever it is worth." But Naboth replied, "The Lord forbid that I should give you the inheritance of my ancestors." So Ahab went home, sullen and angry because Naboth the Jezreelite had said, "I will not give you the inheritance of my ancestors." He lay on his bed sulking and refused to eat." 1 Kings 21:2-4

#### **THE CONTROLLING WIFE**

"His wife Jezebel came in and asked him, "Why are you so sullen? Why won't you eat?" He answered her, "Because I said to Naboth the Jezreelite, 'Sell me your vineyard; or if you prefer, I will give you another vineyard in its place.' But he said, 'I will not give you my vineyard." Jezebel his wife said, "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 21:5-7

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"Jezebel his wife said, "Is this how you act as king over Israel?" 1 Kings 21:7a

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"I'll get you the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite." 1 Kings 21:7b

#### THE HUSBANDS'S CALL TO LEAD

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### Where have you fallen short?

"Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. For the husband is head of the wife, as also Christ is head of the church" Ephesians 5:22-23

"Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her, that He might sanctify and cleanse her with the washing of water by the word, that He might present her to Himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but that she should be holy and without blemish." Ephesians 5:25-27



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