

Jehoshaphat's Eyes on the LORD: 1 Kings 20-22, 2 Chronicles 18-20 Lesson 77 Visuals

- King Ahab wanted Naboth's vineyard.
- According to Israelite law, Naboth's vineyard was to stay in his family. But Ahab did not care about following Israelite law.
- Queen Jezebel came up with a plan to falsely accuse Naboth and have him stoned to death.
- God sent the prophet Elijah to King Ahab to tell him what Ahab and Jezebel's punishment would be.
- According to God's message through Elijah, dogs will lick up Ahab's blood and would one day eat Jezebel's dead body.



- While evil King Ahab ruled the northern kingdom of Israel, Jehoshaphat was the king of the southern kingdom of Judah who sent out Godly men to teach people God's Word.
- Jehoshaphat sent out Godly men to teach the people of Judah the Book of the Law.
 Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers and Deuteronomy are the five books that make up the Book of the Law.
- God blessed Judah because God's Law was taught there. God made it so that all of Judah's neighbors were afraid to attack Judah.
- King Jehoshaphat was a good king, but he made one bad mistake. King Jehoshaphat partnered with evil King Ahab.
- Ahab wanted to fight against the people of Ramoth Gilead. Ahab's 400 prophets promised them victory.



- Jehoshaphat asked for a prophet of the LORD God. King Ahab did not want to call for Micaiah. He hated him because Micaiah always said bad things about Ahab.
- The LORD's prophet Micaiah said they would be defeated.
- Micaiah said the LORD sent a lying spirit into the mouth of Ahab's 400 prophets. Ahab then put Micaiah in prison.
- King Ahab thought he could outsmart God by dressing up as a regular soldier.
- The King of Aram ordered his army to only kill King Ahab. Since Ahab was dressed like a regular soldier, they thought King Jehoshaphat was King Ahab.
- When Jehoshaphat cried out to the LORD for help, the LORD protected him.
- When someone drew his bow and shot an arrow at random, Ahab was hit by that arrow and eventually died.



- Elijah's prophecy was fulfilled when dogs licked up Ahab's blood that had spilled in his chariot.
- The prophet Jehu told King Jehoshaphat that he had done wrong by partnering with evil King Ahab. King Jehoshaphat did not make excuses for his bad behavior. Instead, he knew he had done wrong and repented.
- King Jehoshaphat showed he was serious about turning from sin. He appointed judges and priests and told them to faithfully and wholeheartedly obey the LORD God.
- When a vast army came against Judah, Jehoshaphat proclaimed a fast. Instead of eating, all of Judah prayed and asked God for help.
- Jehoshaphat prayed, "We have no power to face this vast army that is attacking us. We do not know what to do but our eyes are on You."



- The man of God said, "Do not be afraid or discouraged for the battle is not yours, but God's.
- The man of God said take up your positions, stand firm and see the deliverance of the LORD.
- After King Jehoshaphat heard that, he fell down and worshiped the LORD.
- Then all the people of Judah also fell down and worshiped the LORD.
- Instead of appointing soldiers with weapons, Jehoshaphat appointed men to sing worship songs.
- As they began to sing, the people who came to invade Judah turned on each other and wiped each other completely out.
- After three days of gathering all the plunder, all the people of Judah gathered to praise the LORD on the 4th day.