



Elijah Commissions Elisha

1 Kings 19:19-21,
(21:1-29)



Discuss

1. How did you come to realize what you wanted to do for your career?



Recap

1. God told Elijah to ANOINT three leaders of the next generation:
 - a. Hazael as king of SYRIA.
 - b. Jehu as king of ISRAEL.
 - c. ELISHA as prophet in Elijah's place.



1 Kings 19:19–21

1. Why might the author record that Elisha had twelve yoke of oxen?
2. With the toss of his cloak, Elijah called Elisha to be his ATTENDANT and successor.

Yet another said, “I will follow you, Lord, but let me first say farewell to those at my home.” Jesus said to him, “No one who puts his hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.”


Luke 9:61–62






1 Kings 19:19–21

3. What is the difference between Elijah's call of Elisha and Jesus' call to disciples?
4. How has God/does God call you?



What's been happening with Ahab?

1. God told Elijah to anoint the next king of Syria. Here we see Ahab fighting the current king of Syria.
2. Ahab LISTENED to God's prophets, and the Lord wins the battles for him.



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3. But, Ahab doesn't finish the job. Instead, he releases the king in exchange for POLITICAL FAVORS.

4. An unnamed prophet confronts Ahab. Ahab is saddened by the prophet's word, but doesn't seem REPENTANT.



Elijah Convinces Ahab

1 Kings 21:1-29



1 Kings 21:1–16 (Naboth's Vineyard)

1. Ahab's offer sounds pretty GENEROUS.
2. Naboth is OBEYING the Lord.

Lev. 15:23 "The land shall not be sold in perpetuity, for the land is mine. For you are strangers and sojourners with me."



1 Kings 21:1–16 (Naboth's Vineyard)

3. Note how DIFFERENT this climate is from how Elijah's story began.

4. What sin(s) does Ahab commit?



1 Kings 21:1–16 (Naboth's Vineyard)

5. What sin(s) does Ahab commit?

6. What sin(s) does Jezebel commit?

7. Throughout this scheme, Jezebel
MANIPULATES God's Law.



1 Kings 21:1–16 (Naboth's Vineyard)

8. What sin(s) do the people of Israel commit?

9. What sin(s) does Jezebel commit?

10. What sin(s) does Ahab commit?



1 Kings 21:17–29 (Elijah vs. Ahab)

1. Ahab shows his UNREPENTANT HEART when he calls Elijah his enemy.
2. Is this punishment just?



1 Kings 21:17–29 (Elijah vs. Ahab)

3. Why do you think the author included this note about Ahab and Jezebel's wickedness?

4. Elijah in v. 20 and the author in v. 25 both say that Ahab has "sold himself" to evil. What does this word choice communicate?



1 Kings 21:17–29 (Elijah vs. Ahab)

5. Has Ahab truly repented? How might we know?



Closing Discussion

1. How was the Word of God at work in these stories? (Elisha's call and Ahab/Jezebel condemned)
2. How can we better react to God's Word?