

1 Kings 21

In life, we can't have too much faith, hope and love.

However, in life, there is no healthy amount of greed.

Greed is insatiable desire for more & more.

Covetousness is insatiable desire for more & more of what someone else has.

Covetousness is a difficult word to pronounce and difficult problem to identify.

(Rom 7:7)

(1 Kings 21:1-3)

"Ahab said to Naboth, "Let me have your vineyard..."

In Israel, greatest danger to God's people wasn't from without, but within.

Ahab is a king who preys upon his own subjects. (1 Sam. 8:14)

Good leaders don't want stuff from you, but for you! (1 Kings 12:7)

"Naboth replied, "The Lord forbid that I should give you the inheritance..."

What's not for sale in your life: character, purity, sobriety, faith?

(1 Kings 21:4-19)

"So Ahab went home...Jezebel"

Ahab and Jezebel their names are synonymous with wickedness. (v25)

"Is this how you act as king...I'll get you the vineyard..."

She will frame innocent man using his own law against him.

She knew the charges to press, how many witnesses needed, & the penalty.

"Then the word of the Lord came to Elijah...Go down to meet Ahab..."

God loved Naboth, so He had to administer Justice, by Judging Ahab.

Love and Justice coexist in the nature of God. (Exodus 34:6)

God was merciful, even in his judgment of Ahab. (V29)

As Believers, we don't fear God's judgement; it was satisfied at the cross.