

THEN WHEN THE WIND, EARTHQUAKE, AND FIRE CEASED, ELIJAH HEARD GOD SPEAKING IN A STILL, SMALL VOICE. HE ASKED ELIJAH THE SAME QUESTION THAT HE ASKED BEFORE:

ELIJAH, WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?

ELIJAH HADN'T LEARNED ANYTHING. HE WAS STILL FEELING SORRY FOR HIMSELF, SO HE ANSWERED JUST AS BEFORE.

EVERYONE HAS FORSAKEN YOUR LAW EXCEPT ME. ALL OF YOUR PROPHETS HAVE BEEN KILLED. I AM THE **ONLY** ONE LEFT THAT WORSHIPS YOU, AND THEY SEEK MY LIFE.

ALL RIGHT, IF YOU WOULD HAVE IT THIS WAY, GO AND ANOINT ELISHA TO TAKE YOUR PLACE AS MY PROPHET.

AND THOUGH YOU DON'T KNOW IT, THERE ARE 7,000 IN ISRAEL WHO HAVE NOT BOWED DOWN TO THE STATUES OF BAAL AND HAVE NOT KISSED HIS FEET. NOW GO YOUR WAY; ALL THE FAMILY OF AHAH SHALL DIE.

ELIJAH FOUND ELISHA PLOWING WITH HIS OXEN AND ANOINTED HIM TO BE A PROPHET.

THE LORD HAS SAID YOU ARE TO BE HIS PROPHET.

I WILL SACRIFICE MY OXEN TO THE LORD AND FOLLOW YOU IMMEDIATELY.

RIGHT NEXT TO AHAB'S PALACE WAS A VINEYARD OWNED BY NABOTH. AHAB OFTEN LOOKED OUT THE WINDOW AND ADMIRED ITS BEAUTY, WISHING IT WAS HIS. THE MORE HE THOUGHT ABOUT IT THE MORE HE WANTED HIS NEIGHBOR'S PROPERTY. THE COMMANDMENT SAYS, "THOU SHALT NOT COVET," BUT AHAB DID NOT REGARD JEHOVAH.



AHAB HAD PLENTY OF MONEY, SO HE DECIDED THAT HE WOULD JUST BUY THE VINEYARD.

SELL THIS VINEYARD TO ME. IT IS RIGHT NEXT TO MY HOUSE, AND I WILL GIVE YOU A **BETTER** VINEYARD SOMEWHERE ELSE.

GOD WOULD NOT PERMIT SUCH A THING.



THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN IN MY FAMILY FOR OVER 500 YEARS. THE LAW COMMANDS US NOT TO SELL OUR LAND OUTSIDE THE FAMILY.



TELL ME, MY DEAR, WHY DO YOU NOT **EAT**? WHY ARE YOU SO SAD?

BECAUSE **NABOTH** WILL NOT SELL HIS VINEYARD TO ME.



YOU ARE THE KING. YOU HAVE THE POWER TO DO **ANYTHING YOU PLEASE**. DON'T LET ONE LOWLY PEASANT STAND IN THE WAY OF YOUR **HAPPINESS**. I WILL GET THE VINEYARD FOR YOU.



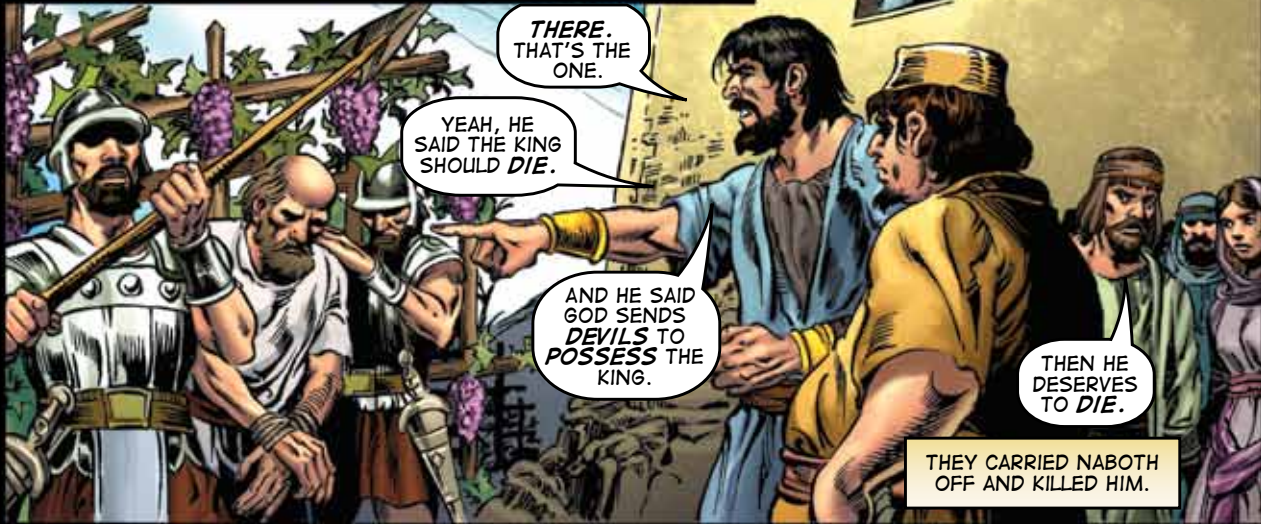


I WILL PAY YOU MORE WHEN THE JOB IS DONE. NOW KEEP YOUR MOUTHS **SHUT** OR YOU MAY GET THE **SAME**.

MOSES' LAW SAYS: "THOU SHALT NOT BEAR FALSE WITNESS AGAINST THY NEIGHBOR."



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THERE. THAT'S THE ONE.

YEAH, HE SAID THE KING SHOULD **DIE**.

AND HE SAID GOD SENDS **DEVILS** TO **POSSESS** THE KING.

THEN HE **DESERVES** TO **DIE**.

THEY CARRIED NABOTH OFF AND **KILLED** HIM.



THERE, DEAR. NOW YOU HAVE YOUR VINEYARD. YOU CAN'T GET AHEAD IN THIS WORLD UNLESS YOU ARE **RUTHLESS**. THE STRONG SURVIVE.

IT IS LOVELY, ISN'T IT. I **DESERVE** IT DON'T I?

JEZEBEL KNEW THAT HER GOD, BAAL, DID NOT HAVE EYES TO SEE, BUT THERE IS A GOD IN HEAVEN THAT SEES EVERY ACT AND NEVER FORGETS.



ELIJAH, AHAB HAS GONE DOWN TO THE VINEYARD OF NABOTH TO POSSESS IT. GO AND MEET HIM THERE. DELIVER MY WORD UNTO HIM.



AHAB, GOD TOLD ME TO TELL YOU THAT YOU HAVE KILLED AN INNOCENT MAN AND TAKEN HIS PROPERTY. FOR THIS AND YOUR OTHER SINS, IN THE VERY PLACE WHERE THE DOGS LICKED THE BLOOD OF NABOTH, THEY SHALL LICK YOUR OWN BLOOD.

HAS MY ENEMY FOUND ME HERE?



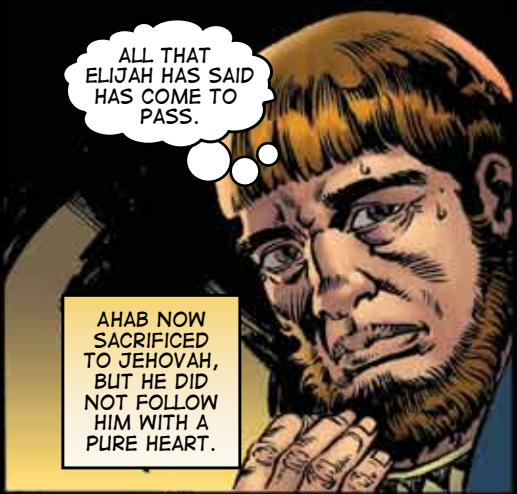
YOU CANNOT HIDE FROM GOD. BECAUSE YOU TRADED YOUR SOUL FOR POSSESSIONS, GOD WILL BRING EVIL UPON ALL YOUR FAMILY. ALL YOUR CHILDREN AND RELATIVES WILL DIE, EVEN THE LITTLE ONES.

YOU HAVE PROVOKED GOD TO ANGER. THE DOGS SHALL EAT JEZEBEL BY THE WALL OF YOUR HOUSE. WHEN A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY DIES IN THE CITY THE DOGS WILL EAT HIS FLESH. IF THEY DIE IN THE FIELD, THE BUZZARDS WILL EAT THEM. NONE WILL BE BURIED WITH HONOR.



THIS IS THE WORD OF THE LORD. IT SHALL COME TO PASS.

PLEASE, I'LL START SACRIFICING TO JEHOVAH.



ALL THAT ELIJAH HAS SAID HAS COME TO PASS.

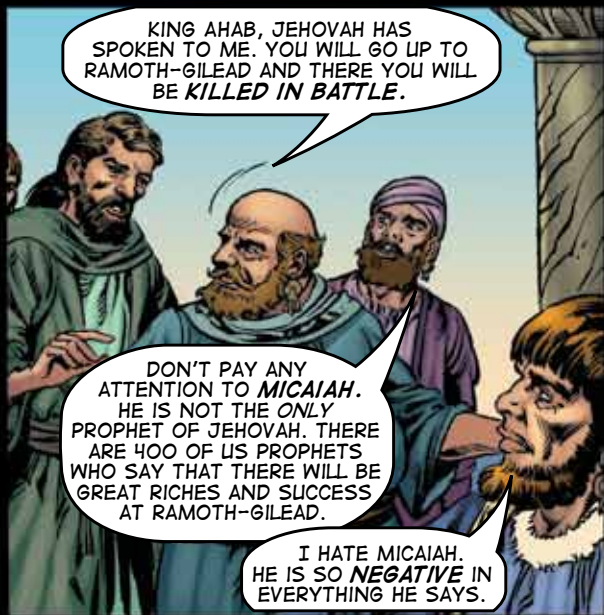
AHAB NOW SACRIFICED TO JEHOVAH, BUT HE DID NOT FOLLOW HIM WITH A PURE HEART.



MUCH LATER THE FALSE PROPHETS ADVISED KING AHAB ON A MILITARY ISSUE.

GO UP AND FIGHT AT RAMOTH-GILEAD AND GOD WILL GIVE YOU A GREAT VICTORY.

AND ALL THE PROPHETS AGREE ON THIS?



KING AHAB, JEHOVAH HAS SPOKEN TO ME. YOU WILL GO UP TO RAMOTH-GILEAD AND THERE YOU WILL BE **KILLED IN BATTLE**.

DON'T PAY ANY ATTENTION TO **MICAHIAH**. HE IS NOT THE **ONLY** PROPHET OF JEHOVAH. THERE ARE 400 OF US PROPHETS WHO SAY THAT THERE WILL BE GREAT RICHES AND SUCCESS AT RAMOTH-GILEAD.

I HATE MICAHIAH. HE IS SO **NEGATIVE** IN EVERYTHING HE SAYS.



KING AHAB, YOU HAVE WORKED **EVIL** IN THE SIGHT OF GOD. YOU CONSULT **FALSE** PROPHETS WHO TAKE MONEY FOR THEIR SERVICES. THEY PREACH **LIES**.



I SAW **GOD** SITTING ON THE THRONE, AND ALL THE ANGELS OF HEAVEN WERE STANDING BEFORE HIM. HE ASKED, "SINCE ELIJAH TOLD AHAB HE WAS GOING TO DIE, HE HAS BEEN VERY CAREFUL NOT TO GET IN HARM'S WAY. HE MUST BE PERSUADED TO GO INTO BATTLE. WHO CAN PERSUADE AHAB TO GO TO BATTLE AT RAMOTH-GILEAD WHERE HE WILL BE KILLED?"

AND ONE SAID ONE THING AND ANOTHER OFFERED ANOTHER SUGGESTION. AFTER DISCUSSING IT, ONE OF THE ANGELS STEPPED FORWARD AND SAID:

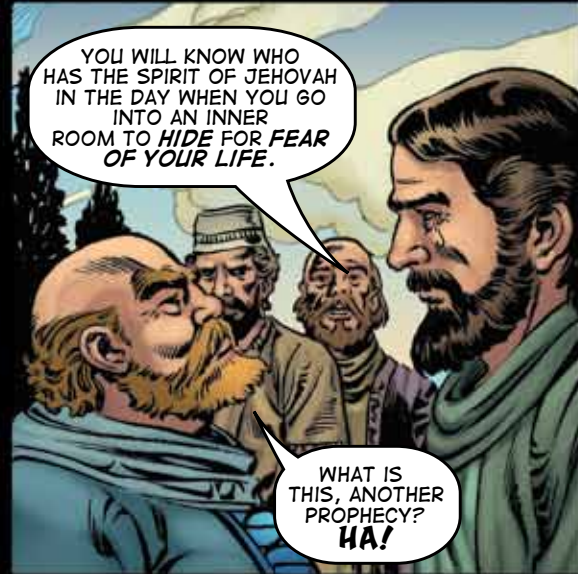
I HAVE AN IDEA THAT WILL WORK, I WILL GO DOWN AND BE A **LYING** SPIRIT IN THE MOUTH OF ALL HIS FALSE PROPHETS. I WILL TELL THEM THAT AHAB SHOULD GO INTO BATTLE.

THAT IS A GREAT IDEA. THEY WILL PROPHECY THAT HE IS GOING TO BE VICTORIOUS, BUT WHEN HE GETS IN BATTLE, I WILL HAVE HIM KILLED. GO, THEN!



YOU THINK THE SPIRIT OF JEHOVAH LEFT ME AND SPOKE TO YOU?

**SMACK!**



YOU WILL KNOW WHO HAS THE SPIRIT OF JEHOVAH IN THE DAY WHEN YOU GO INTO AN INNER ROOM TO HIDE FOR FEAR OF YOUR LIFE.

WHAT IS THIS, ANOTHER PROPHECY? HA!



PUT THIS FELLOW IN PRISON AND FEED HIM JUST ENOUGH TO KEEP HIM ALIVE UNTIL I COME BACK FROM THE BATTLE. THEN WE WILL KILL HIM.

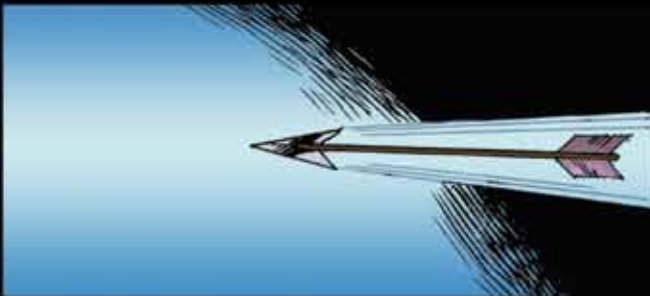
IF YOU RETURN FROM THE BATTLE ALIVE THEN I AM A FALSE PROPHET AND WOULD DESERVE TO DIE.



THAT WAS A GOOD IDEA, DISGUISED YOURSELF AS AN ORDINARY SOLDIER. THEY WILL NEVER KNOW YOU ARE THE KING, AND OUR MEN ARE DOING WELL. I CAN'T WAIT TO SEE THAT PROPHET'S FACE WHEN YOU COME BACK ALIVE.

YEAH, AND THIS ARMOR WILL PROTECT ME AGAINST ANY ARROWS.

A SOLDIER SHOT AN ARROW HIGH IN THE AIR, NOT AIMING AT ANYONE IN PARTICULAR, JUST HOPING TO HIT ONE OF HIS ENEMIES.





I AM AFRAID HE IS DEAD.

THE ARROW FOUND THE **ONE SPOT** THAT WAS NOT PROTECTED BY ARMOR. I GUESS IT WAS JUST HIS TIME TO DIE.

OH GOD, NO!



PUT HIS BODY IN NABOTH'S VINEYARD UNTIL WE HAVE TIME TO DEAL WITH IT PROPERLY.

JUST AS ELIJAH HAD SAID, THE DOGS WERE LICKING THE BLOOD OF AHAB RIGHT UNDER JEZEBEL'S WINDOW. HE WAS THE FIRST OF HIS HOUSEHOLD; OTHERS WERE TO FOLLOW.



AFTER WASHING THE BLOOD FROM AHAB'S CHARIOT THE SOLDIER RETURNED TO THE PALACE.



WHERE IS KING AHAB? IS HE CELEBRATING HIS VICTORY?



**YOU FOOL!** YOU ARE NOT A PROPHET OF GOD. YOU ARE A **LIAR!** AHAB IS DEAD JUST AS **MICAIAH** THE PROPHET OF JEHOVAH DECLARED.

BUT IT CAN'T BE. ALL THE DEVOUT MEN **AGREED**. AHAB **WOULD** BE VICTORIOUS.

NOT ALL. NOT **MICAIAH** WHOM YOU SLAPPED AND PUT IN PRISON. WHEN THE PEOPLE HEAR OF THIS THEY WILL HAVE **YOUR** HEAD.



YOU ARE FREE TO GO. AHAB IS DEAD.

YES I KNOW, AND NO DOUBT THE DOGS HAVE LICKED HIS BLOOD AS GOD SAID. **JEZEBEL** WILL BE **NEXT** AND ALL THAT ARE RELATED TO AHAB. GOD HAS SPOKEN.



I MUST HIDE.



**OH NO!** MICAIAH SAID I WOULD KNOW WHO HAD THE SPIRIT OF GOD ON THE DAY I HID IN A SMALL ROOM INSIDE OF A ROOM.

AHAB'S SONS WOULD REIGN IN HIS PLACE, AND TWELVE YEARS WOULD PASS WITH JEZEBEL STILL LIVING AS QUEEN. ISRAEL WOULD CONTINUE TO WORSHIP FALSE GODS AND BREAK THE COMMANDMENTS OF GOD.

12 YEARS LATER.



GOD SPOKE AGAINST THE HOUSE OF AHAB, SAYING, "THE TIME HAS COME. ALL OF AHAB'S FAMILY WILL PERISH, EVEN THE LITTLE CHILDREN. NONE WILL BE LEFT ALIVE. JEZEBEL WILL BE EATEN BY THE DOGS, AND THERE WILL BE NO ONE TO MOURN HER OR BURY HER."



I MUST PAINT MY FACE, SO I WILL BE ATTRACTIVE TO GENERAL JEHU WHEN HE RETURNS FROM BATTLE.



I WILL STAND  
HERE WHERE THEY  
CAN SEE THAT I AM  
IN CHARGE.



WHO IS  
ON MY  
SIDE?



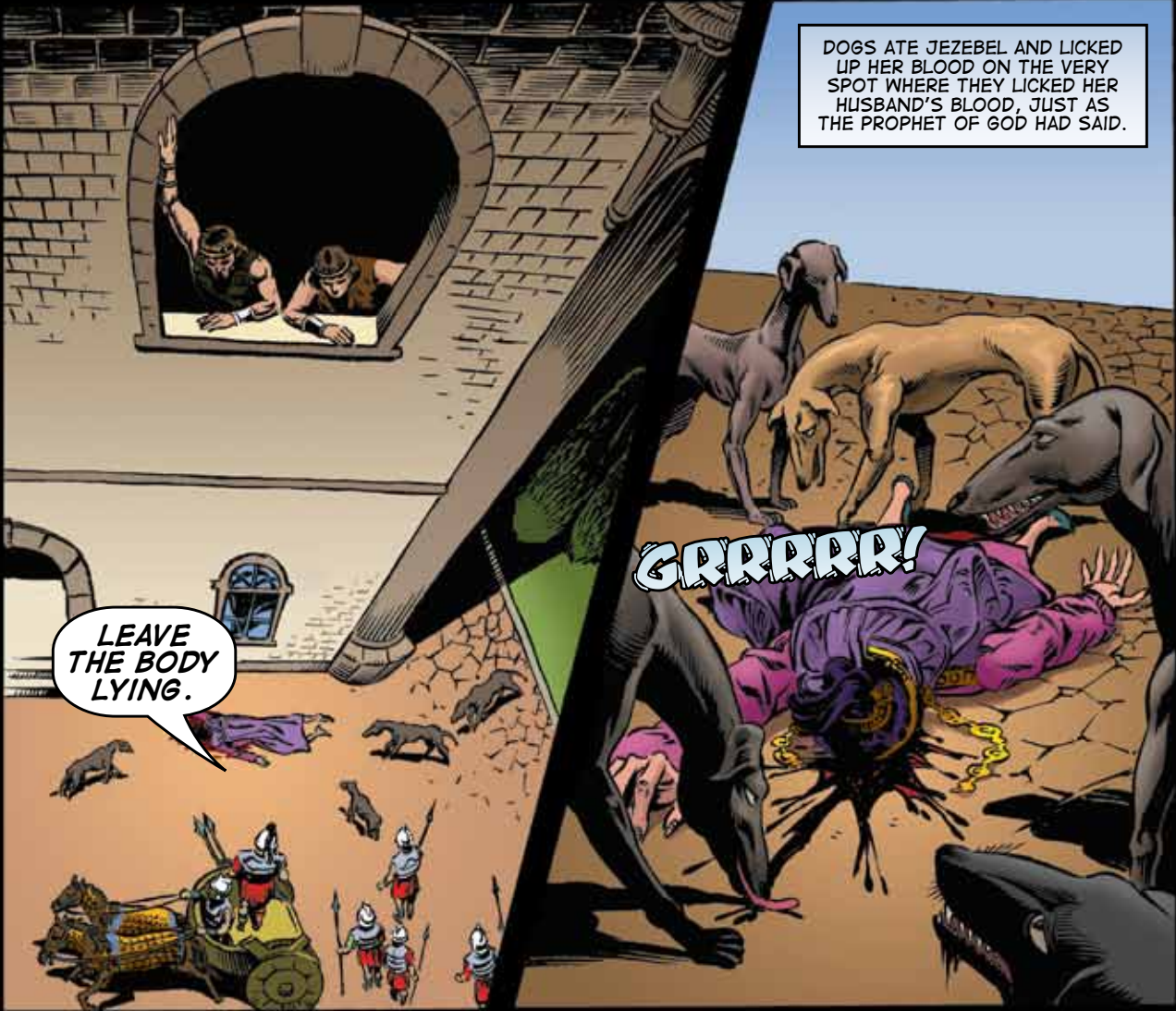
WE ARE  
WITH YOU  
GENERAL.

THEN  
THROW JEZEBEL  
DOWN.

YOU CAN'T  
DO THAT. I AM  
THE QUEEN.



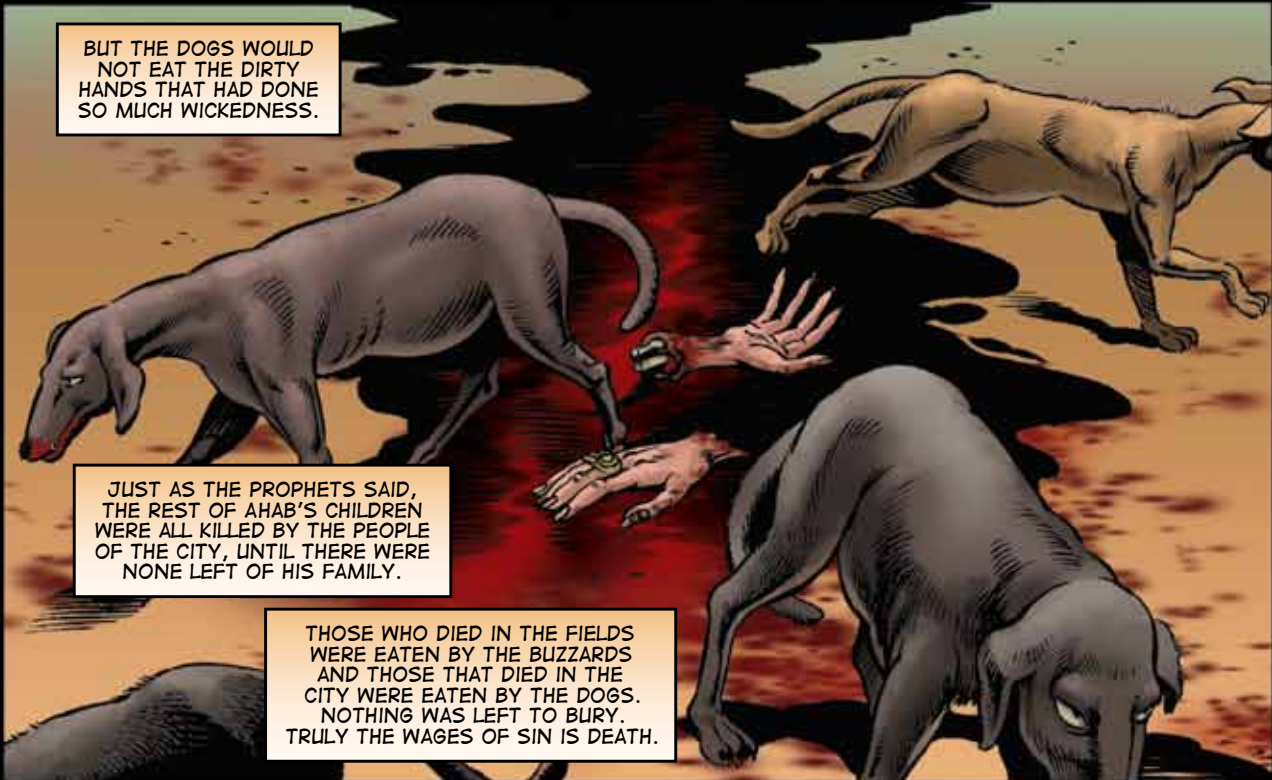
**EH!!!**



DOGS ATE JEZEBEL AND LICKED UP HER BLOOD ON THE VERY SPOT WHERE THEY LICKED HER HUSBAND'S BLOOD, JUST AS THE PROPHET OF GOD HAD SAID.

LEAVE THE BODY LYING.

GRRRRR!



BUT THE DOGS WOULD NOT EAT THE DIRTY HANDS THAT HAD DONE SO MUCH WICKEDNESS.

JUST AS THE PROPHETS SAID, THE REST OF AHAB'S CHILDREN WERE ALL KILLED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY, UNTIL THERE WERE NONE LEFT OF HIS FAMILY.

THOSE WHO DIED IN THE FIELDS WERE EATEN BY THE BUZZARDS AND THOSE THAT DIED IN THE CITY WERE EATEN BY THE DOGS. NOTHING WAS LEFT TO BURY. TRULY THE WAGES OF SIN IS DEATH.

AS ELIJAH PRAYED, YOUNG PROPHETS CAME TO ELISHA TO DELIVER A MESSAGE.

GOD HAS SPOKEN TO SOME OF THE YOUNG PROPHETS. DID YOU KNOW THAT TODAY YOUR MASTER ELIJAH IS GOING TO BE TAKEN TO HEAVEN?

YES, GOD TOLD ME ALSO, BUT BE *QUIET*; DO NOT SAY ANY MORE.

ELISHA, YOU STAY HERE. I AM GOING TO TAKE A TRIP DOWN TO JERICO.

AS GOD LIVES, I WILL NOT LET YOU OUT OF MY SIGHT. I WILL GO WHERE *YOU* GO.

DID YOU KNOW THAT YOUR MASTER ELIJAH IS GOING TO BE TAKEN UP TO *HEAVEN* TODAY?

YES, I KNOW IT. NOW DON'T BOTHER US. KEEP THIS TO YOURSELF. I MUST NOT LET HIM OUT OF MY SIGHT.

*YOU STAY* HERE IN JERICO. I MUST TAKE A SHORT TRIP DOWN TO THE JORDAN RIVER.

AS SURELY AS GOD LIVES AND YOU LIVE, I *WILL* NOT LEAVE YOU.

THERE ARE THOSE YOUNG PROPHETS, *FOLLOWING* US AGAIN.

HOW ARE WE GOING TO CROSS THE RIVER? IT IS RUNNING *HIGH* TODAY.

ON DRY GROUND.



DID YOU SEE THAT? THE WATER STOOD UP SO THEY CAN PASS.

YEAH, JUST LIKE WITH MOSES.



I WOULDN'T HAVE MISSED THIS FOR ANYTHING.

I WISH THE PROPHETS OF BAAL COULD HAVE SEEN THIS!



WHAT IS IT YOU WOULD HAVE ME DO FOR YOU BEFORE I DEPART?

GIVE ME A DOUBLE PORTION OF THE SPIRIT OF GOD THAT RESTS UPON YOU.

YOU HAVE ASKED A HARD THING, BUT IT SHALL BE DONE IF YOU SEE ME WHEN I AM TAKEN UP INTO HEAVEN.



THE CHARIOT OF GOD!



AND A WHIRLWIND!

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THE CHARIOT OF FIRE SEPARATED ELIJAH FROM ELISHA.



ELIJAH WAS TAKEN UP TO HEAVEN IN THE WHIRLWIND.



THEN ALL WAS QUIET. ELIJAH WAS NOW IN GOD'S PRESENCE.

ALL THAT IS LEFT IS HIS MANTLE. IT IS WHAT HE USED TO PART THE WATERS.



WHERE IS THE GOD OF ELIJAH?



THE SPIRIT OF ELIJAH IS UPON ELISHA!

**WHOOP!**

MAN, THIS IS SOME KIND OF DAY!



ELISHA WENT ON TO PERFORM TWICE AS MANY MIRACLES AS DID ELIJAH. HE WAS FAITHFUL TO GOD, BUT THE PEOPLE WOULD NOT COMPLETELY TURN FROM THEIR IDOLATRY.

WHERE DID ELIJAH GO?

WE MUST GO LOOK FOR HIM!

THERE IS NO USE. HE IS GONE TO HEAVEN.