

UPCYCLE

Elementary
Week 2

READ: 1 Kings 21

King Ahab was so set on what he wanted but could not have, this vineyard, that he let the rest of his life get ruined. But it didn't start with the vineyard, it started long before that because Ahab's heart posture was not towards God. He was selfish, followed false gods, and ultimately, that led him to destruction. He wanted this garden so bad that he let horrible things happen, just so he could take this vineyard. Ahab immediately went on to take ownership over it as soon as Naboth was dead.

He valued this garden over another man's life, even though he had plenty of other gardens and plenty of money to get things he wanted. Yet he could not get this garden with those things and he would not take no for an answer. Ahab ruined his own life as well as compromising the life of another man.

Discontentment is going to happen in life sometimes, because we are human and it comes naturally. When we find this happening, we need to pay attention. When we value possessions over God, people, and life itself it leads to destruction. While this situation in 1 Kings 21 is certainly an extreme, it is a huge reminder of what can happen when we give something, big or small, the wrong value and priority in our lives.

Where do you find yourself constantly wanting more and more?

Have you ever found yourself in a situation where pursuing something you wanted became unhealthy?

How can you remind yourself to set your eyes on God and find contentment through him?