

“Mine”

What did you do as a child when you didn't get what you wanted?

Read 1 Kings 21:1-29.

1. Who owned the land known as “Naboth’s vineyard”?
 - A. Naboth
 - B. Ahab
 - C. Jezebel
 - D. God
 - E. The government
 - F. Naboth’s family line
 - G. Whoever was strongest at the time
 - H. Whoever had paid the most for it
 - I. Other

2. What complicated the land Naboth owned?
 - A. Naboth owned it
 - B. The king of Israel wanted it
 - C. There had been a great crop of grapes that particular year
 - D. It was right next door to Ahab’s palace
 - E. This land had been in Naboth’s family for centuries
 - F. Naboth refused a fair price, and even an inflated price
 - G. Jezebel wanted it for Ahab
 - H. Israelite law had kept land in the family from generation to generation
 - I. Other

3. What do you consider most offensive about Jezebel’s actions here?
 - A. Pacifying Ahab’s selfishness
 - B. Acting on her own selfishness
 - C. Eliminating people in her kingdom
 - D. Devising a plan to smear Naboth publicly
 - E. Arranging for the government leaders to carry out her plan
 - F. Contributing to God’s decision to destroy Ahab and his house
 - G. Showing a type of leadership that is the opposite of “servant leadership”
 - H. Not standing up for Naboth or for justice
 - I. Other

4. What does a king have the power to do?

- A. Anything he wants
- B. Never die
- C. Take from some and give to others—his choice
- D. Instruct and engage in justice throughout his kingdom
- E. Take the best of everything for himself
- F. Make people like him
- G. Lead his people to God
- H. Overcome all enemies
- I. Other

5. Give a one-word description for these characters in the story:

- A. Naboth _____
- B. Ahab _____
- C. Jezebel _____
- D. Elijah _____

Do you identify with any of these characters?

6. How would you describe God's response to Ahab and his actions?

- A. Quick
- B. Direct
- C. Delayed
- D. Angry
- E. Judgmental
- F. Responsive
- G. Fair
- H. Disappointed
- I. Forgiving
- J. Communicative

7. What do you admire in this story? What do you not?

8. Who owns you—all you are, have, and will be? How does that influence your decisions now?