

**Covetous Murder and God's Justice**  
**1 Kings 21:1-29, 22:29-40**

- I. **Introduction (Ps. 115, Rom. 1:18-32)**
- II. **The Wicked are Greedy and Never Satisfied. vv. 1-4**
  - A. **Ahab covets his neighbor's property. vv. 1-3 (Lev. 25:23, Num. 36:7, Deut. 11:10, Matt. 10:28)**
  - B. **Ahab pouts when he does not get his way. vv. 4**
- III. **The Righteous Often Suffer at the Hands of the Wicked vv. 5-16**  
**(Rev. 2:10, 3:10, 1 Peter 4:12)**
  - A. **Jezebel challenges Ahab's despondency. vv. 5-7 (Prov. 28:15)**
  - B. **Depraved Jezebel devises a scheme to frame and murder Naboth. vv. 8-14 (Ps. 64:6, Jer. 17:9)**
  - C. **Heartless Ahab takes possession of the vineyard. vv. 15-16 (2 Kings 9:26)**
  - D. **Application (Isa. 5, Matt. 4:9, Acts 2:23, Rev. 6:9-11, Lk 18:7)**
- IV. **The Lord is Faithful to Intervene and Bring Justice to His Wronged People vv. 17-26**
  - A. **Elijah is dispatched to the scene. vv. 17-19**
  - B. **Justice is dispensed to Ahab and his household. vv. 20-26 (1 Kings 16:4, Pro 27:6)**
- V. **God Extends Mercy as Ahab Humbles Himself. vv. 27-29, 22:29-40**
  - A. **Ahab is utterly humbled by the word of judgment.**
  - B. **God's mercy is set on display. (2 Pet 3:9)**
  - C. **Providence is directed by the Lord to the smallest degree. 1 Kings 22:29-40**
- VI. **Conclusion / Application (Rom 8:28, 1 Pet. 2:20, Heb. 12:24, Num. 32:23, 2 Thess. 1:6-9)**