

The Kings of Judah and Israel

LESSON #28 | God of Truth Proves Ahab and Jehoshaphat

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2 Chronicles 18:25-28

25 Then the king of Israel said, Take ye Micaiah, and carry him back to Amon the governor of the city, and to Joash the king's son;

26 And say, Thus saith the king, Put this fellow in the prison, and feed him with bread of affliction and with water of affliction, until I return in peace.

27 And Micaiah said, If thou certainly return in peace, then hath not the LORD spoken by me. And he said, Hearken, all ye people.

28 So the king of Israel and Jehoshaphat the king of Judah went up to Ramothgilead.

1. Read the following statements, write "True" if the statement is correct, or "False" if the statement is wrong. For wrong statements, correct the error in the lines below. You may leave the lines blank if the statement is true.

a) Ahab commanded to put Zedekiah in prison and feed him with bread of affliction and with water of affliction, until Ahab returns from the war against Syria in peace. [_____]

b) Micaiah did not retaliate against Ahab's command to put him in prison. He said that if Ahab returns in peace, then the LORD did not speak through him and Micaiah is a false prophet. But if Ahab does not return peacefully, then the LORD hath spoken to him and he is a true prophet. [_____]

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29 And the king of Israel said unto Jehoshaphat, I will disguise myself, and will go to the battle; but put thou on thy robes. So the king of Israel disguised himself; and they went to the battle.

30 Now the king of Syria had commanded the captains of the chariots that were with him, saying, Fight ye not with small or great, save only with the king of Israel.

31 And it came to pass, when the captains of the chariots saw Jehoshaphat, that they said, It is the king of Israel. Therefore they compassed about him to fight: but Jehoshaphat cried out, and the LORD helped him; and God moved them to depart from him.

32 For it came to pass, that, when the captains of the chariots perceived that it was not the king of Israel, they turned back again from pursuing him.

- c) Jehoshaphat disguised himself, and told Ahab to put on his kingly battle uniform. So Jehoshaphat went to battle in a disguise, while Ahab went to battle looking like Israel's king. [_____]

- d) During the battle, the captains of chariots saw Jehoshaphat and thought that he was the king of Israel. They surrounded him to ambush him. Jehoshaphat cried out to God for help, and God caused the captains to realise that Jehoshaphat was not the king of Israel, but someone else! Jehoshaphat's life was spared! [_____]

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33 And a certain man drew a bow at a venture, and smote the king of Israel between the joints of the harness: therefore he said to his chariot man, Turn thine hand, that thou mayest carry me out of the host; for I am wounded.

34 And the battle increased that day: howbeit the king of Israel stayed himself up in his chariot against the Syrians until the even: and about the time of the sun going down he died.

- e) A certain man shot Ahab between the joints of the harness with a rifle. He turned to his chariot man and told him to retreat because he was wounded. [_____]

- f) Finally, Ahab succumbed to his wounds and died the next day. [_____]

2. What does the conclusion of this chapter tell us about Micaiah's prophecy?

3. Fill in the blanks:

Romans 3:4

"...: yea, let God be _____, but every man a _____ ..."