

I Want It. Itâ??s Mine!

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1 Kings 21:1-14

In Melvilleâ??s classic, *Moby Dick*, Captain Ahab was bent on killing the great white whale if it were the last thing he did. Captain Ahab wasnâ??t concerned about who or what got in his way, so long as his desired catch was achieved.

Much like Melvilleå??s Ahab, King Ahab in 1 Kings 21 wanted something that was just out of his grasp. The target of King Ahabå??s desire was Nabothå??s vineyard. King Ahab differed from Captain Ahab only in that he didnå??t have the killer instinct to take the vineyard. Thatå??s where Queen Jezebel entered the picture. Jezebelå??s wicked deceit knew no bounds, and her husband lacked the fortitude to withstand her deadly planå??even if he had wanted to.

Our society is rampant with the â??eat or be eatenâ?• mentality: The problem with this thinking is that it doesnâ??t line up with Godâ??s way of thinking. â??Therefore, as Godâ??s chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.â?• (Col. 3:12)

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