

1 Kings 21:22

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

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Analysis

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This verse contributes to the broader narrative of Naboth's vineyard, within the book's focus on prophetic ministry of Elijah confronting Baalism. The temple represents God's dwelling among His people and foreshadows Christ as Immanuel ('God with us').

The Hebrew text reveals nuances important for understanding this passage's contribution to 1 Kings' theological message about kingship, covenant, and faithfulness to Yahweh. This verse demonstrates the consequences when God's people—especially their leaders—either follow or forsake the covenant established at Sinai.

Historical Context

First Kings was written during or after the Babylonian exile (6th century BCE), reflecting on the monarchy period (10th-9th centuries BCE) to explain why the kingdoms fell. Elijah's ministry (c. 860-850 BCE) occurred during Ahab's reign, a

time of intense spiritual crisis in Israel.

Ancient Near Eastern kingship ideology viewed kings as divine representatives responsible for maintaining cosmic order through right worship. Archaeological discoveries from sites like Megiddo, Hazor, and Samaria confirm the historical reliability of 1 Kings' descriptions of building projects and administrative structures.

Related Passages

John 3:16 — God's love and salvation

Ephesians 2:8 — Salvation by grace through faith

Study Questions

1. How does this passage illustrate the importance of complete obedience to God's word without compromise?
2. What does Elijah's ministry reveal about God's character and His commitment to His covenant people?
3. How does this verse point toward or prepare for the coming of Christ and His eternal kingdom?

Interlinear Text

וְנָתַתִּי י	אֶת	וְכִי יֵת	וְכִי יֵת	יִרְבֶּעַ מ	בֶּן
And will make	H853	and like the house	and like the house	of Jeroboam	the son
H5414		H1004	H1004	H3379	H1121
וְנָבָט	וְכִי יֵת	בַּעֲשָׁא	בֶּן	אֶחֱיָה	אֵל
of Nebat	and like the house	of Baasha	the son	of Ahijah	
H5028	H1004	H1201	H1121	H281	H413
הַכֹּזֵב	אֲשֶׁר	הִכָּעֵסְתָּ	וְנָתַתִּי		
for the provocation	H834	wherewith thou hast provoked me to anger	to sin		
H3708		H3707	H2398		
אֶת	יִשְׂרָאֵל:				
H853	and made Israel				
	H3478				

Additional Cross-References

1 Kings 16:3 (Parallel theme): Behold, I will take away the posterity of Baasha, and the posterity of his house; and will make thy house like the house of Jeroboam the son of Nebat.

1 Kings 16:11 (Parallel theme): And it came to pass, when he began to reign, as soon as he sat on his throne, that he slew all the house of Baasha: he left him not one that pisseth against a wall, neither of his kinsfolks, nor of his friends.

1 Kings 14:16 (Creation): And he shall give Israel up because of the sins of Jeroboam, who did sin, and who made Israel to sin.