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 - Naboth refused Ahab's attempt to procure his vineyard.
 - Land was never to be permanently sold. Leviticus 25:23
 - As laid out in Leviticus 25 everything was to revert back to the original owner every 50 years in the year of Jubilee.
 - Land could be sold but it was usually in order to pay a debt or to meet a serious and pressing commitment.
 - Land that was sold was prorated in price according to the number of years to Jubilee when it would revert back to the original owner.

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 - Ahab went home and sulked.
 - Jezebel, inquired of his behavior and promised to give him the vineyard.
 - Jezebel devised a plan to have Naboth falsely accused and executed. (see Deuteronomy 27:25)
 - A fast assumed that some egregious wrong had taken place.
 - The plan was to identify Naboth as the source of the wrong.

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 - The plan was carried out and Ahab went to take possession of the vineyard.
- God sent Elijah to pronounce judgment on Ahab and his house for these sinful acts.
 - The dogs would lick his blood at the very place they licked up the blood of Naboth. (see Numbers 35:33)
 - The dogs would eat Jezebel.
 - All of Ahab's house would be wiped out.
- Ahab responded with humility and sorrow.

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Lessons

- Injustice happens in this world but never escapes God's notice.
- Injustice takes place where there is position and power devoid of the rule of law.
- It is always a sad and unhealthy situation when men act like boys.
- In a marriage, God has given women the power of influence.
- Voids in leadership will always be filled and most of the time not for the better.

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Lessons

- God's mercy and grace are greater than we can comprehend.
- Dr. Robert G. Lee developed his most famous sermon from this passage: Payday Someday preached over 1000 times.
- Printed form: <http://www.newsforchristians.com/clser1/lee-rg001.html>
- Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0mstq4QTyrQ>

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