And it came to pass after these things, that Naboth the Jezreelite had a vineyard, which was in Jezreel, hard by the palace of Ahab king of Samaria. And Ahab spake unto Naboth, saying, Give me thy vineyard, that I may have it for a garden of herbs, because it is near unto my house: and I will give thee for it a better vineyard than it; or , if it seem good to thee, I will give thee the worth of it in money. And Naboth said to Ahab, The LORD forbid it me, that I should give the inheritance of my fathers unto thee. And Ahab came into his house heavy and displeased because of the word which Naboth the Jezreelite had spoken to him: for he had said, I will not give thee the inheritance of my fathers. And he laid him down upon his bed, and turned away his face, and would eat no bread. But Jezebel his wife came to him, and said unto him, Why is thy spirit so sad, that thou eatest no bread? And he said unto her, Because I spake unto Naboth the Jezreelite, and said unto him, Give me thy vineyard for money; or else, if it please thee, I will give thee another vineyard for it: and he answered, I will not give thee my vineyard. And Jezebel his wife said unto him, Dost thou now govern the kingdom of Israel? arise, and eat bread, and let thine heart be merry: I will give thee the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite. So she wrote letters in Ahab's name, and sealed them with his seal, and sent the letters unto the elders and to the nobles that were in his city, dwelling with Naboth. And she wrote in the letters. saying, Proclaim a fast, and set Naboth on high among the people: 10 And set two men,

ُ وَحَدَثَ بَعْدَ هَذِهِ الأَمُورِ أَنَّهُ كَانَ لِنَابُوتَ الْيَزْرَ عِيلِيٍّ كَرْمُ فِي يَزْرَعِيلَ بِجَانِبِ قَصْرِ أَخْآبَ مَلِكُ السَّامِرَةِ. ُفَقَالَ أَخْآبُ لِنَابُوتَ، أَعْطَنِي كَرَّ مَكَ فَيَكُونَ لِي بُسْتَانَ بُقُولِ لأَنَّهُ قَرِبُ بِحَانِبِ بَيْتِي، فَأَعْطِيَكَ عِوَضَهُ كَرْمِاً أَحْسَنَ مِنْهُ. أَوْ إِذَا حَسُنَ فِي عَنْنَاكَ أَعْطَنَتُكَ تَمَنَهُ فَضَّةً. ۚ فَقَالَ نَايُوتُ لأَخْآبَ، حَاشَا لِي مِنْ قَبَلِ الرَّبِّ أَنْ أَعْطَيَكَ ميرَاثَ آبَائِي. ۖ فَدَخَلَ أَخْآبُ بَيْتَهُ مُكْتَئِباً مَغْمُوماً مِنْ أَجْلِ قَـوْل نَـابُوتَ الْنَـزْرَعِيلِيِّ، لاَ أَعْطيكَ مِيرَاثَ آيَائِي. وَاصْطَجَعَ عَلَى سَربرهِ وَحَـوَّلَ وَجْهَـهُ وَلَـمْ يَأْكُـلْ خُبْرَ أَ. ۚ فَدَخَلَتْ إِلَيْهِ إِبِزَاتِلُ امْرَأَتُهُ وَقَالَتْ لَهُ، لِمَاذَا رُوحُكَ وَلاَ تَأْكُلُ خُبْراً. ُفَقَالَ لَهَا، لأَنِّي قُلْتُ لِنَابُوتَ الْيَزْرَعِيلِيِّ، أَعْطِنِي كَرْمَكَ بِفِضَّةِ وَإِذَا شَئْتَ أَعْطَنْتُكَ كَرْماً عِوَضَهُ فَقَالَ، لاَ أَعْطِيكَ كَرْمِي. ۖ فَقَالَتْ لَهُ إِبرَاتِلُ، أَأَنْتَ الآنَ بَحْكُمُ عَلَى إِسْرَائِيلَ. قُمْ كُلْ خُبْزاً وَلْيَطِتْ قَلْبُكَ. أَنَا أَعْطِيكَ كَرْمَ نَابُوتَ الْبَرْرَعِيلِيِّ. ۚ ثُمَّ كَتَبَتْ رَسَائِلَ بِاسْمِ أَخْآبَ وَخَتَمَتْهَا بِخَاتِمِهِ، وَأَرْسَلَتِ الرَّسَائِلَ إِلَى الشَّيُوخِ ۗ وَالأَشْرَافِ الَّذِينَ فِي مَدِينَتِهِ السَّاكِنِينَ مَعَ نَابُوتَ. وَكَتَبَثْ فِي الرَّسَائِلِ تَقُولُ، نَادُوا بِصَوْم وَأَجْلِسُوا نَابُوتَ في رَأْسِ الشَّعْب<sup>ْ 10</sup>َوَأُجْلِسُوا رَجُلَيْن ً مِنْ يَنِي بَلِيَّعَالَ تُجَاهَهُ لِيَشَّهَدَا قَائِلَيْن، قَدْ جَدَّفْتَ عَلَى اللَّهِ وَعَلَى ثُمَّ أَخْرِجُوهُ وَارْجُمُوهُ فَيَمُوتَ. أَخْرِجُوهُ وَارْجُمُوهُ لَيَمُوتَ. أَفْفَعَلَ رِجَالُ مَدِينَتِهِ الشُّيُوخُ وَالأَشْرَافُ السَّاكِنُونَ فِي مَدِينَتِهِ كَمَا أَرْسَلَتْ إِلَيْهِمْ إِيزَابَلُ، كَمَا هُوَ مَكْتُوبٌ فِي الرَّسَائِلِ الَّتِي أَرْ سَلَتْهَا إِلَيْهِمْ. <sup>12</sup>فَنَادُوا بِصَوْم وَأَجْلَسُوا نَابُوتَ فِي رَأْس الشَّعْب. 13 وَأَتَى رَجُلاَن مِنْ بَنِي بَلِيَّعَالَ وَجَلَسَا تُجَاهَهُ، وَشِهِدَا عَلَى نَابُوتَ أَمَامَ الشَّعْبِ، قَدْ جَدَّفَ نَابُوتُ عَلَى اللَّهُ وَعَلَى الْمَلِكِ. فَأَخْرَجُوهُ خَارِجَ الْمَدِينَةِ وَرَحَمُوهُ بِحِجَارَةٍ فَمَاتَ. 14 وَأَرْسَلُوا إِلَى إِيزَابَلَ يَقُولُونَ، قَدْ رُحِمَ نَائُوتُ وَمَاتَ. 15 وَلَمَّا سَمِعَتْ ابِزَائِلُ أَنَّ نَائُوتَ قَدْ رُحِمَ وَمَاتَ، قَالَتْ لأَخْآبَ، قُمْ رِثْ كَرْمَ نَابُوتَ الْيَزْرَعِيلِيِّ الَّذِي أَبِي أَنْ يُعْطِيَكَ إِيَّاهُ بِفَضَّةِ، لأَنَّ نَابُوتَ لَيْسَ حَيّاً بَلْ هُوَ مَيِّتُ.16ُوَلَمَّا سَمِعَ أَخْآبُ أَنَّ نَابُوتَ قَدْ مَاتَ لِيَنْزِلَ إِلَى كَرْم نَابُوتَ الْيَزْرَعِيلِيِّ لِيَرِثَهُ.17فَكَانَ كَلاَمُ الرَّبِّ إِلَى إِيليَّا َ التَّشْبِيِّ، ١٠ قُم انْزِلْ لِلقَاءِ أَخْآبَ مَلك إِسْرَائِيلَ الَّذِي فِي السَّامِرَةِ. ۖ هُوَذَا هُوَ فِي كَرْم نَابُوتَ الَّذِي يَزَلَ إِلَيْهِ لِبَرِثَهُ.<sup>19</sup>وَقُلْ لَهُ، هَكَذَا قَالَ الرَّاتُّ، هَلْ قَتَلْتَ وَوَرِثْتَ أَيْضاً. في الْمَكَانِ الَّذِي لَحَسَتْ فيه الْكلاَبُ دَمَ نَابُوتَ تَلْحَسُ الْكلاَبُ دَمَكَ أَنْتَ أَنْضاً. 20فَقَالَ

أَخْآتُ لايليّاً، هَلْ وَجَدْتَنِي يَا عَدُوِّي. فَقَالَ، قَدْ وَجَدْتُكَ لأَنَّكَ قَلْدُ بِعْتَ نَفْسَكَ لِعَمَلِ الشَّرِّ فِي غَيْنِي التَّابِّ، 21هَٰئَنَذَا أَحْلَبُ عَلَيْكَ شَرَّاً، وَأَبِيدُ نَسْلَكَ، وَأَقْطَعُ لأَخْآبَ كُلَّ ذَكَر وَمَحْجُوز وَمُطْلَق فِي إِسْرَائِيلَ. 22 وَأَجْعَلُ بَيْتَكَ كَبَيْتِ يَرُبُغًامَ بْن نَبَأَطَ، وَكَبَيّْتِ بَعْشَا بْن أَخِيَّا، لأَ الإِغَاظَةِ الَّتِي أُغَظْتَنِي، وَلجَعْلكَ إِسْرَائِيلَ يُخْطئُ.<sup>23</sup>وَقَالَ الرَّبُّ عَنْ إِيزَابَلَ أَيْضاً، إِنَّ الْكِلاَبَ تَأْكُلُ إِيزَابَلَ عِنْدَ مِثْرَسَة بَرْرَعِيلَ.24مَنْ مَاتَ لأَجْآبَ فِي الْمَدينَة تَأْكُلُهُ الْكلاَبُ، وَمَنْ مَاتَ في الْحَقْل تَأْكُلُهُ طُيُورُ السَّمَاءِ. 25 وَلَمْ يَكُنْ كَأَخْآبَ الَّذِي بَاعَ نَفْسَهُ لِعَمَلِ الشَّرِّ فِي وَرَاءَ الأَصْنَام حَسَبَ كُلِّ مَا فَعَلَ الأَمُورِيُّونَ الَّذِينَ طَرَدَهُمُ الرَّبُّ مِنْ أَمَام بَنِي إِسْرَائِيلَ.27 وَلَمَّا سَمِعَ أَخْآبُ هَذَا الْكَلاَمَ شَقَّ ثِيَابَهُ وَجَعَلَ مِسْحاً عَلَى جَسَدِهِ وَصَامَ وَاصْطَجَعَ بِالْمِسْحِ وَمَشَى بِسُكُوتٍ. 28فَكَانَ كَلاَمُ الرَّبِّ إِلَى إِيلِيًّا التِّشْبِيِّ، 29هَلْ رَأَيْتَ كَيْفَ اتَّضَعَ أَخْآتُ أَمَامِي. فَمِنْ أَجْلِ أَنَّهُ قَدِ اتَّضَعَ أَمَامِي لاَ أَجْلِبُ الشَّرَّ فِي أَيَّامِهِ، بَلْ فِي أَيَّامِ ابْنِهِ أَجْلِبُ الشَّرَّ عَلَى بَيْتِهِ.

sons of Belial, before him, to bear witness against him, saying, Thou didst blaspheme God and the king. And then carry him out, and stone him, that he may die. 11 And the men of his city, even the elders and the nobles who were the inhabitants in his city, did as Jezebel had sent unto them, and as it was written in the letters which she had sent unto them. 12 They proclaimed a fast, and set Naboth on high among the people. 13 And there came in two men, children of Belial, and sat before him: and the men of Belial witnessed against him, even against Naboth, in the presence of the people, saying, Naboth did blaspheme God and the king. Then they carried him forth out of the city, and stoned him with stones, that he died. 14Then they sent to Jezebel, saying, Naboth is stoned, and is dead. 15 And it came to pass, when Jezebel heard that Naboth was stoned, and was dead, that Jezebel said to Ahab, Arise, take possession of the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite, which he refused to give thee for money: for Naboth is not alive, but dead. <sup>16</sup> And it came to pass, when Ahab heard that Naboth was dead, that Ahab rose up to go down to the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite, to take possession of it. <sup>17</sup>And the word of the LORD came to Elijah the Tishbite, saying, <sup>18</sup>Arise, go down to meet Ahab king of Israel, which is in Samaria: behold, he is in the vineyard of Naboth, whither he is gone down to possess it. 19 And thou shalt speak unto him, saying, Thus saith the LORD, Hast thou killed, and also taken possession? And thou shalt speak unto him, saying, Thus saith the LORD, In the place where dogs

licked the blood of Naboth shall dogs lick thy blood, even thine. <sup>20</sup> And Ahab said to Elijah, Hast thou found me, O mine enemy? And he answered, I have found thee: because thou hast sold thyself to work evil in the sight of the LORD. 1 Behold, I will bring evil upon thee, and will take away thy posterity, and will cut off from Ahab him that pisseth against the wall, and him that is shut up and left in Israel. 22 And will make thine house like the house of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, and like the house of Baasha the son of Ahijah, for the provocation wherewith thou hast provoked me to anger, and made Israel to sin. 23 And of Jezebel also spake the LORD, saving. The dogs shall eat Jezebel by the wall of Jezreel.<sup>24</sup>Him that dieth of Ahab in the city the dogs shall eat; and him that dieth in the field shall the fowls of the air eat.<sup>25</sup>But there was none like unto Ahab, which did sell himself to work wickedness in the sight of the LORD, whom Jezebel his wife stirred up. 26 And he did very abominably in following idols, according to all things as did the Amorites, whom the LORD cast out before the children of Israel.<sup>27</sup>And it came to pass, when Ahab heard those words, that he rent his clothes, and put sackcloth upon his flesh, and fasted, and lay in sackcloth, and went softly.<sup>28</sup>And the word of the LORD came to Elijah the Tishbite, saying, <sup>29</sup>Seest thou how Ahab humbleth himself before me? because he humbleth himself before me, I will not bring the evil in his days: but in his son's days will I bring the evil upon his house.