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Written Assignment 4

Kings 22 started with Syria and Israel and how they had not been in war for the past 3 years. After the 3rd year Jehoshaphat who was the king of Judah went to visit the king of Israel. The king of Israel wanted to go fight at Ramoth Gilead and he asked Jehoshaphat if he would come fight with them. Jehoshaphat told him to inquire the word of the Lord. They gathered all the prophets together and asked them if he should fight or refrain from it. They told him "Go up for the Lord will deliver it into the hand of the king". Jehoshaphat asked if there was still a prophet of the Lord there which the king of Israel mentioned Micaiah but that he hated him because he only prophesied evil about him. Once Micaiah gets there the king of Israel ask him the same thing and he repeats what the other prophets say. The king then ask if he is telling the truth and Micaiah then tells him the truth and how the Lord put a lying spirit in all of his prophets mouth to tell him to go. The king then put Micaiah in jail. The king of Israel decided to disguise himself and go into battle. The king of Syria told his people to only fight the king of Israel but the only person in the robe was Jehoshaphat. Once the king of Syria saw that he ordered his men back. One of the men drew his bow and arrow and shot the king of Israel between his armor. After he was shot he was taken out of battle and watched the war happen but then died that evening and both sides ended up going home back to their homes and countries.

I believe Ahab was not that great of a character. I believe Micaiah prophesies were always evil against him because Ahab was not doing what God wanted him to do. Ahab still went to war and fought with Syria even though he was told not to just because he was not happy with an answer he was told. I don't believe he is that great of a person because he put

Micaiah in jail for telling him what God spoke to him when he was the one that asked him. I don't think much of Jehoshaphat's character because he did not do much. He just did whatever the king of Israel told him to do. I believe he was a follower and just followed the king of Israel even after he heard what Micaiah told him. I think Micaiah was a great prophet because he did not just say what the others said he ended up telling him the truth and what God wanted him to say. Micaiah wasn't scared of the king and did not hold back. He trusted and believed in God and did his job as a prophet.

From this text I learned that God will always send you someone to tell you the truth when you're seeking him even when there are a whole bunch of other people telling you lies. I learned that God will always warn you about certain things in life and if we chose to ignore it that is on us and we will have to deal with the consequences of our own actions. Sadly in this story the consequences for the king not listening was death. One thing that I have learned from this story that I can apply to my Christian life is to always listen to God's warnings or the people who are wiser and God has used to tell me things. I learned this is very important because even if some decisions don't lead to actual death it can lead to spiritual, emotional, mental death that the Lord never wanted me to go through or experience.