

Bible Readings Book by Book week 113 – w/c 1/1/24

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Monday: 1 Kings 20:1-43. Ahab was not a godly King and yet God uses him to defeat Syria. Ahab is not committed to God but simply wanted God to bless what he wanted to do for his own benefit. Are you living for God's glory or are you simply after his blessing? That is a real challenge for us!

Tuesday: 1 Kings 21:1-29 For all his wickedness, Ahab received this prophecy of judgment exactly as he should have. He understood that the prophecy of judgment was in fact an invitation to repent, humble oneself, and to seek God for mercy. Praise God that he is merciful even though we are undeserving.

Wednesday: 1 Kings 22:1-28. The phrase "like sheep without a shepherd" is used as a metaphor by Jesus and elsewhere in the Bible to indicate a helpless and unprotected body of people. Thank God today that Jesus is the Great Shepherd of his sheep and he protects and cares for all who follow him.

Thursday: 1 Kings 22:29-53 Israel and Judah start to work together, but it is God's way of bringing an end to Ahab's role. Ahab's God-given victories turned to pride. God has blessed us with many things and that can lead us into thinking that we can do things in our own strength. Do you let pride affect your spiritual walk? Read Proverbs 11:2.

Friday: 2 Kings 1:1-18 What a difference in attitude between the first two captains and the third! How different is his attitude also from the King's! What can you learn from him that you can put into practice as you talk and relate to other people today?

Weekend: 2 Kings 2:1-25 When Elijah's cloak fell Elisha had to make a decision whether to pick it up or not. The cloak or mantle was the special mark of a prophet. Elijah's ministry was one of great power but it was also one of great pressure and responsibility. We each have a ministry in our families, our workplaces, our church. Are you willing to fulfil the role God has for you?