

**Courage in Troubling Times:  
When Standing Up Means Standing Alone  
Micaiah: Speaking the Truth Despite the Cost  
1 Kings 22:1-40; 2 Chron 18:1-19:3 (page 250, 309)**

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**Background:**

A h a b = king of I s r a e l (*northern kingdom*) u n g o d l y

Jehoshaphat = king of J u d a h (*southern kingdom*) g o d l y

**The Circumstances (1 Kings 22:1-6)**

**Standing A l o n e (1 Kings 22:7-28)**

Speaking the t r u t h means that:

- we have developed a g o d l y r e p u t a t i o n (vs 7-8a)
- we will be h a t e d by the u n g o d l y (v 8b)
- we will not c o m p r o m i s e God's W o r d (vs 13-14)
- even though alone, we will remain c o u r a g e o u s and f a i t h f u l to the t r u t h (vs 15-23)
- we are willing to e n d u r e the c o n s e q u e n c e s of our stand for the truth (vs 24-27; Matt 5:11-12)
- we can be b o l d and c o n f i d e n t in what we say (v 28)

**The Consequences (1 Kings 22:29-40)**

- We will be v i n d i c a t e d by God in His t i m e (vs 34-36; 17)
- Those who r e j e c t God's Word will experience His j u d g m e n t (vs 37-40; 1 Kings 21:19)