### I Kings 16:30-33 NLT

But Ahab son of Omri did what was evil in the Lord's sight, even more than any of the kings before him. And as though it were not enough to follow the sinful example of Jeroboam, he married Jezebel, the daughter of King Ethbaal of the Sidonians, and he began to bow down in worship of Baal. First Ahab built a temple and an altar for Baal in Samaria. Then he set up an Asherah pole. He did more to provoke the anger of the Lord, the God of Israel, than any of the other kings of Israel before him.

### I Kings 17:1 NLT

Now Elijah, who was from Tishbe in Gilead, told King Ahab, "As surely as the Lord, the God of Israel, lives—the God I serve—there will be no dew or rain during the next few years until I give the word!"

# You can maintain spiritual integrity in a spiritually hostile environment.

### I Kings 18:1-3 NIV

After a long time, in the third year, the word of the Lord came to Elijah:"Go and present yourself to Ahab, and I will send rain on the land." So Elijah went to present himself to Ahab. Now the famine was severe in Samaria, and Ahab had summoned Obadiah, who was in charge of his palace, Obadiah was a devout believer in the Lord.

## When you're told to violate God's commands:

### Obey God, Honor Your Boss!

I Kings 18:4 NIV

While Jezebel was killing off the Lord's prophets, Obadiah had taken a hundred prophets and hidden them in two caves, fifty in each, and had supplied them with food and water.

## When you're told to do something that doesn't violate God's commands:

### Obey Your Boss, Honor God

I Kings 18:5-6 NIV

Ahab had said to Obadiah, "Go through the land to all the springs and valleys. Maybe we can find some grass to keep the horses and mules alive so we will not have to kill any of our animals." So they divided the land they were to cover, Ahab going in one direction and Obadiah in another.

#### I Timothy 6:1 ESV

Let all who are under a yoke as bondservants regard their own masters as worthy of all honor, so that the name of God and the teaching may not be reviled.

\*\*\*Response\*\*\* I will work to build my spiritual integrity over my personal comfort!