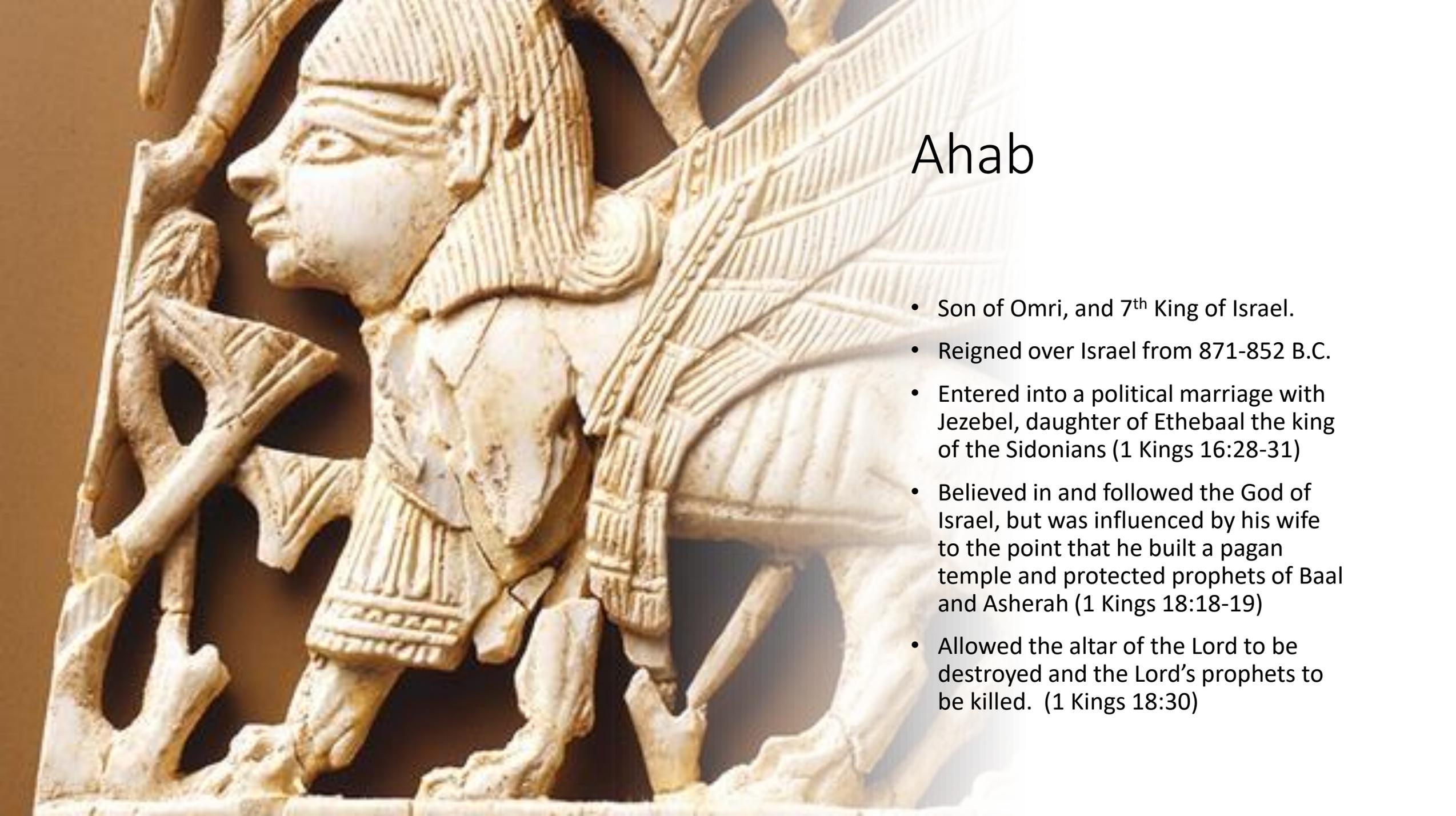


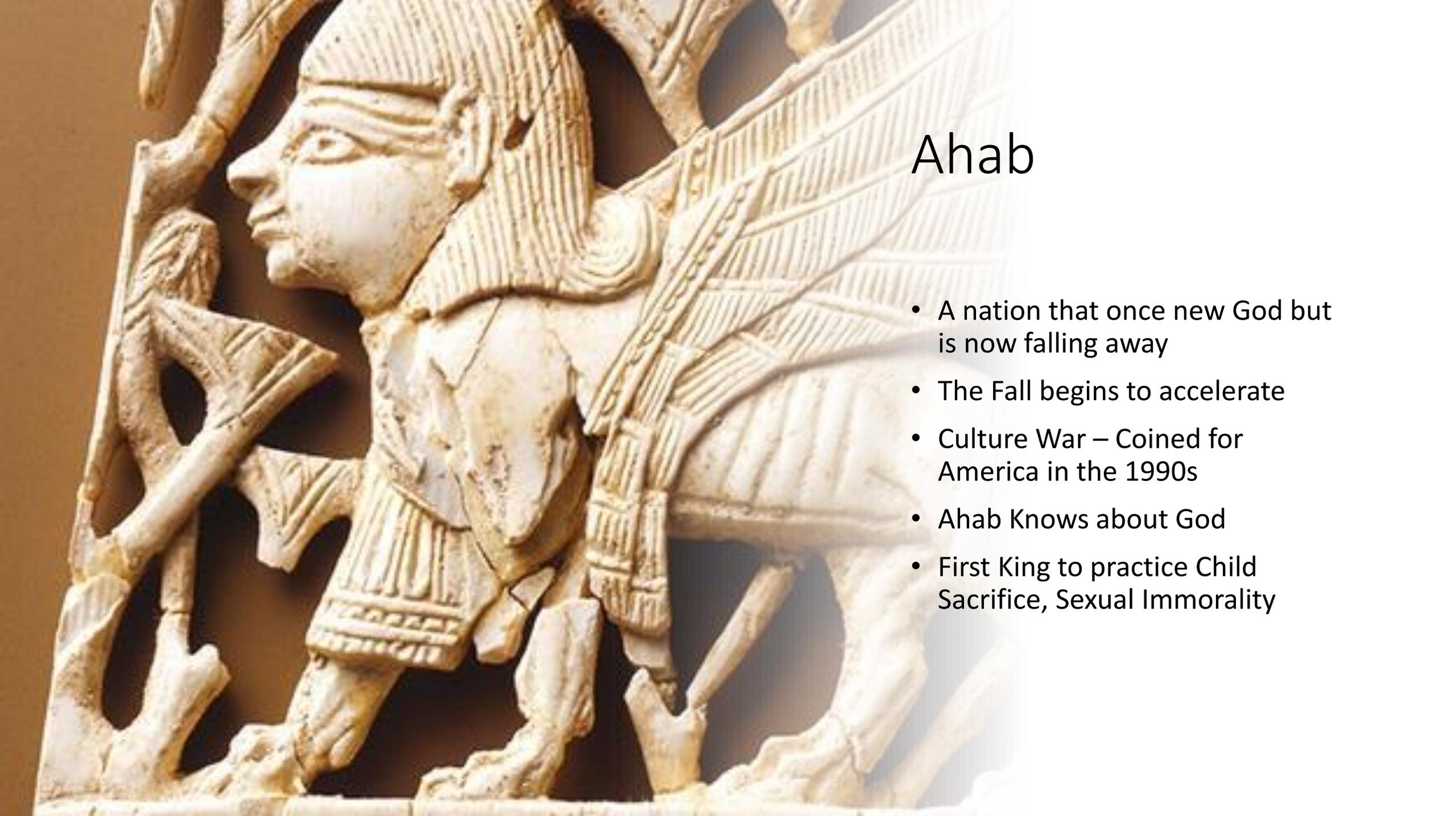


3000 years to today



# Ahab

- Son of Omri, and 7<sup>th</sup> King of Israel.
- Reigned over Israel from 871-852 B.C.
- Entered into a political marriage with Jezebel, daughter of Ethobaal the king of the Sidonians (1 Kings 16:28-31)
- Believed in and followed the God of Israel, but was influenced by his wife to the point that he built a pagan temple and protected prophets of Baal and Asherah (1 Kings 18:18-19)
- Allowed the altar of the Lord to be destroyed and the Lord's prophets to be killed. (1 Kings 18:30)



# Ahab

- A nation that once new God but is now falling away
- The Fall begins to accelerate
- Culture War – Coined for America in the 1990s
- Ahab Knows about God
- First King to practice Child Sacrifice, Sexual Immorality

# Bill Clinton

- First President to Champion Abortion
- Redefining traditional values that have guided us.
- Bill Clinton on the national stage for 22 years
- King Ahab reigned in Samaria for a period of 22 years.





# Jezebel

- Daughter of Ethbaal, king of Sidon and the Poenicians
- Wife of Ahab and mother of two sons. Ahaziah and Jehoram, who reigned after Ahab.
- Patronness of the Phoenician Baal and Asherah cults, their priests and prophets, and an adversary of God and His prophets (1 Kings 16:31; 18:4; II Kings 9:7, 22)
- She had great influence and Elijah and Elisha blame her more than Ahab for the persecution of God's true prophets and for formalizing Canaanite religious practices in Israel.
- She acted as reigning queen.
- Scandalous, secretive, manipulative & Determined
- Knowledge of the law
- Venerates Female Power
- Moves to Israel to marry Ahab

# Hilary Clinton

- Grows up in Liberal Chicago
- Feminism
- Moves to Arkansas
- “Deep seeded Religious beliefs have to be changed”
- Abortion – She is voted the abortion champion of the century
- Hard, angry vindictive personality
- Co Presidency
- Hilary Clinton was on the national stage 1979 – 2001 (22 years)
- Returns to the national stage – 12 years as a senator, retired 2 years, 2 years as a presidential candidate = 14 years





# Jehoram

- Son of Ahab and Jezebel and last king of the Omride dynasty (852-841 B.C.)
- Succeeded his brother Ahaziah (II Kings 1:17)
- Reigned for 12 years (851-842 B.C.) according to II Kings 3:1
- Although he restricted the worship of Baal (II Kings 3:2), he remained under the influence of the Tyrian cult introduced by his mother Jezebel.
- Cool temperament
- Came to the Palace with Jezebel

# Barak Obama

- Came after Hilary Clinton's years of influence
- Heir to policies of the Clinton years
- Hilary Care – Obama Care
- Abortion, Morality, etc.
- Hostile to the ways of God
- Came to the palace (White House) with Hilary Clinton as his Secretary of State
- On the world stage 2004 – 2016 (12 Years)
- Gave his departing speech 12 years to the day from his introductory speech.





# Jehu

- Son of Jehoshaphat and grandson of Nimshi (II Kings 9:2, 14; 1 Kings 19:16; II Kings 9:20; II Chronicles 22:7)
- King of Israel (842-814 B.C.)
- Founder of a new dynasty
- Commander in the Israelite army who took the throne by force.
- Rebellion supported by Elisha who sent a prophet to anoint Jehu (II Kings 9:1-13)
- With the Rechabites, army commanders and others dissatisfied with the country's economic, social and spiritual decline.
- Not a politician
- He killed Joram, King Ahazia of Judah and saw Jezebel killed. (II Kings 9:21-35; 10:1-11)
- Jehu executed Ahab's entire family
- Wildly drove his chariot as observed by a watchman. "Drives crazy"
- Came to the throne in the 12<sup>th</sup> year of King Joram
- Destroyed the Temple of Baal

# Donald Trump

- Not a politician
- Unpredictable and impulsive
- Came on the scene suddenly
- Most prayed over candidate in American history
- Raced to the throne of America
- Came to power in the 12<sup>th</sup> year of Obama
- Against Abortion
- Ancient temple of Baal was destroyed in Syria while he was president



# The Temple



## 1 Kings 18:16-45

### English Standard Version

<sup>16</sup> So Obadiah went to meet Ahab, and told him. And Ahab went to meet Elijah.

<sup>17</sup> When Ahab saw Elijah, Ahab said to him, "Is it you, you troubler of Israel?" <sup>18</sup> And he answered, "I have not troubled Israel, but you have, and your father's house, because you have abandoned the commandments of the LORD and followed the Baals. <sup>19</sup> Now therefore send and gather all Israel to me at Mount Carmel, and the 450 prophets of Baal and the 400 prophets of Asherah, who eat at Jezebel's table."

#### The Prophets of Baal Defeated

<sup>20</sup> So Ahab sent to all the people of Israel and gathered the prophets together at Mount Carmel. <sup>21</sup> And Elijah came near to all the people and said, "How long will you go limping between two different opinions? If the LORD is God, follow him; but if Baal, then follow him." And the people did not answer him a word. <sup>22</sup> Then Elijah said to the people, "I, even I only, am left a prophet of the LORD, but Baal's prophets are 450 men. <sup>23</sup> Let two bulls be given to us, and let them choose one bull for themselves and cut it in pieces and lay it on the wood, but put no fire to it. And I will prepare the other bull and lay it on the wood and put no fire to it. <sup>24</sup> And you call upon the name of your god, and I will call upon the name of the LORD, and the God who answers by fire, he is God." And all the people answered, "It is well spoken." <sup>25</sup> Then Elijah said to the prophets of Baal, "Choose for yourselves one bull and prepare it first, for you are many, and call upon the name of your god, but put no fire to it." <sup>26</sup> And they took the bull that was given them, and they prepared it and called upon the name of Baal from morning until noon, saying, "O Baal, answer us!" But there was no voice, and no one answered. And they limped around the altar that they had made. <sup>27</sup> And at noon Elijah mocked them, saying, "Cry aloud, for he is a god. Either he is musing, or he is relieving himself, or he is on a journey, or perhaps he is asleep and must be awakened." <sup>28</sup> And they cried aloud and cut themselves after their custom with swords and lances, until the blood gushed out upon them. <sup>29</sup> And as midday passed, they raved on until the time of the offering of the oblation, but there was no voice. No one answered; no one paid attention.

<sup>30</sup> Then Elijah said to all the people, "Come near to me." And all the people came near to him. And he repaired the altar of the LORD that had been thrown down. <sup>31</sup> Elijah took twelve stones, according to the number of the tribes of the sons of Jacob, to whom the word of the LORD came, saying, "Israel shall be your name," <sup>32</sup> and with the stones he built an altar in the name of the LORD. And he made a trench about the altar, as great as would contain two seahs<sup>[a]</sup> of seed. <sup>33</sup> And he put the wood in order and cut the bull in pieces and laid it on the wood. And he said, "Fill four jars with water and pour it on the burnt offering and on the wood." <sup>34</sup> And he said, "Do it a second time." And they did it a second time. And he said, "Do it a third time." And they did it a third time. <sup>35</sup> And the water ran around the altar and filled the trench also with water.

<sup>36</sup> And at the time of the offering of the oblation, Elijah the prophet came near and said, "O LORD, God of Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, let it be known this day that you are God in Israel, and that I am your servant, and that I have done all these things at your word. <sup>37</sup> Answer me, O LORD, answer me, that this people may know that you, O LORD, are God, and that you have turned their hearts back." <sup>38</sup> Then the fire of the LORD fell and consumed the burnt offering and the wood and the stones and the dust, and licked up the water that was in the trench. <sup>39</sup> And when all the people saw it, they fell on their faces and said, "The LORD, he is God; the LORD, he is God." <sup>40</sup> And Elijah said to them, "Seize the prophets of Baal; let not one of them escape." And they seized them. And Elijah brought them down to the brook Kishon and slaughtered them there.



- Bravery
- Queries the People – “How Long will you go limping between two opinions?”
- The Test
- Baal’s prophets are fools
- Elijah’s Prayer
- The people repented and woke up
- Elijah annihilates the prophets of Baal
- Roe Vs Wade – Upcoming Decision
- God’s Faithfulness

