

**“Working For Ahab”** by Kirk Hunt

*And Ahab called Obadiah, which was the governor of his house. (Now Obadiah feared the LORD greatly: For it was so, when Jezebel cut off the prophets of the LORD, that Obadiah took an hundred prophets, and hid them by fifty in a cave, and fed them with bread and water.)*

I Kings 18: 3–4 KJV

Rulers have always traditionally surrounded themselves with the best and the brightest. Obadiah (traditionally the prophet of the Old Testament Book) would be one of those elite insiders. “Governor of the king’s house” would be similar to a modern Chief of Staff.

Ahab worshipped Ba’al. He allowed Jezebel to attempt the extermination of the prophets of Jehovah. This king certainly helped in leading Israel (further) from God.

Obadiah worked directly, and closely, for this murderous, blasphemous king. It appears that he did more than maintain his integrity toward God. Obadiah protected the prophets of God, right under the nose of the king (and queen).

Christians in the workplace should be the best and brightest. We ought to be movers and shakers. Just remember your first loyalty.

The pressures to take down, give in or compromise are constant. Those pressures grow as you ascend the ladder. No matter how high you rise, do not break your covenant with God.

Be an Obadiah. Be one of the best and brightest. Be an insider. Despite it all, remain a faithful servant to your *real* King.

Obadiah, served Ahab faithfully, but God first. He kept his position and his integrity. It can be done. Trust God for the skills and wisdom to do both.

**Think:** I serve God first. Always.

**Pray:** “Lord, help me to be faithful to my employer, but first to You.”

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