

**Catalyst**

**Catalyst:**

**Becoming a Change Agent  
in a “Couldn’t Care Less” Culture**

# **How to Go “Catalytic”**

**(1 Kings 16:29-17:1)**

## **1 Kings 16:29-30 (NIV)**

**In the thirty-eighth year of Asa king of Judah,  
Ahab son of Omri became king of Israel,  
and he reigned in Samaria  
over Israel twenty-two years.**

**<sup>30</sup> Ahab son of Omri did more evil in the eyes  
of the LORD than any of those before him.**

## **1 Kings 16:25 (NIV)**

**But Omri did evil in the eyes of the LORD  
and sinned more than all those before him.**

## **1 Kings 16:31 (NIV)**

**He not only considered it trivial to commit the sins of Jeroboam son of Nebat, but he also married Jezebel daughter of Ethbaal king of the Sidonians, and began to serve Baal and worship him.**

## **1 Kings 16:32-33 (NIV)**

**He set up an altar for Baal in the temple of Baal that he built in Samaria.**

**<sup>33</sup> Ahab also made an Asherah pole and did more to provoke the LORD, the God of Israel, to anger than did all the kings of Israel before him.**

## **1 Kings 17:1 (NIV)**

**Now Elijah the Tishbite,  
from Tishbe in Gilead,  
said to Ahab,**

**“As the LORD, the God of Israel, lives,  
whom I serve,  
there will be neither dew nor rain  
in the next few years except at my word.”**



## **Deuteronomy 28:24a (NIV)**

**The LORD will turn the rain of your country into dust and powder.**

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## **Joshua 6:26 (NIV)**

**At that time Joshua pronounced  
this solemn oath:**

**“Cursed before the LORD is the man who  
undertakes to rebuild this city, Jericho:**

**“At the cost of his firstborn son  
will he lay its foundations;  
at the cost of his youngest  
will he set up its gates.”**

## **1 Kings 16:34 (NIV)**

**In Ahab's time, Hiel of Bethel rebuilt Jericho.  
He laid its foundations  
at the cost of his firstborn son Abiram,  
and he set up its gates at the cost of his  
youngest son Segub,  
in accordancy with the word of the LORD  
spoken by Joshua son of Nun.**

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