

THE  
BLOOD  
CONTEST

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THE TRUE STORY OF  
ELIJAH, JESUS, AND THE  
GREATEST VICTORY



There are all sorts  
of contests.



Spelling contests.



Singing contests.



Sewing contests.





Sporting contests.

But this book isn't  
about any of those  
contests...



It's about the God contest—a challenge  
to find out who the real God was.





Ahab and Jezebel were King  
and Queen of Israel.

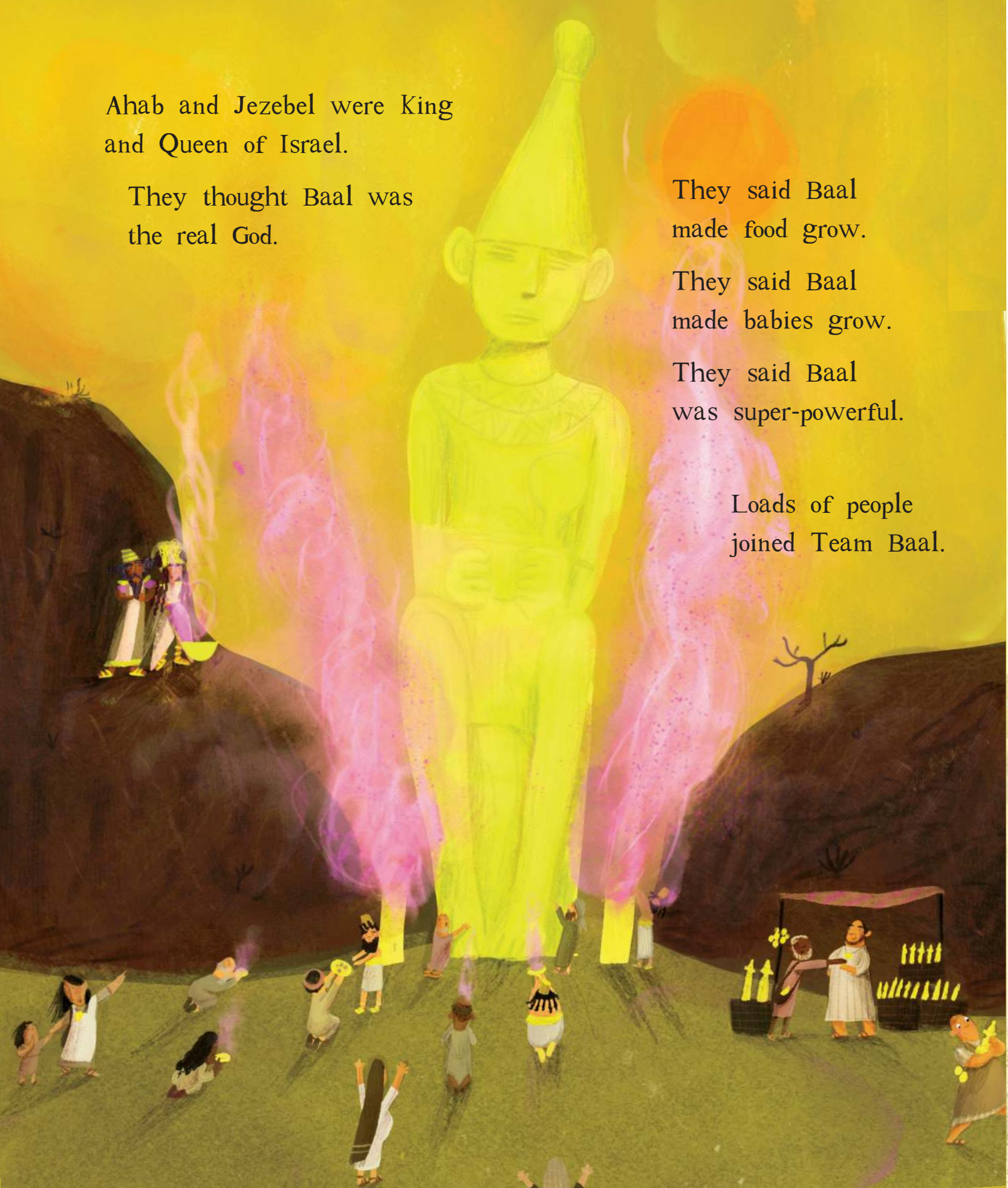
They thought Baal was  
the real God.

They said Baal  
made food grow.

They said Baal  
made babies grow.

They said Baal  
was super-powerful.

Loads of people  
joined Team Baal.





Elijah was just an ordinary guy. He told the people of Israel that Yahweh\* was the real God, and that he was one of Yahweh's messengers.



Elijah said Yahweh had made everything and ruled everywhere and loved everyone. He said Yahweh had rescued their great-great-great-great-great-great-grandparents from Egypt. He said Yahweh had given them their land and their laws.

But not many people joined Team Yahweh.

\*In the Old Testament of most English Bibles, it says "LORD" wherever the first Old Testaments, written thousands of years ago, said "Yahweh."

Most people didn't know *which* God  
to believe in.

Maybe Baal was the real God.  
Maybe Yahweh was.  
Maybe both of them were.  
Maybe neither of them were...

How could they decide?







Elijah had a good idea. It was time for a contest. A God contest, on a mountain called Mount Carmel...