

Elijah Fights for the LORD

1 Kings 17-18

Key Verse: 18:37

“Answer me, O Lord, answer me, so these people will know that you, O Lord, are God and that you are turning their hearts back again.”

I. THE LORD TRAINS ELIJAH IN FAITH (17:1-24)

1. Read 17:1. Who was Elijah and who was Ahab? (16:30-31) What prophetic word did Elijah give to Ahab? In what way did this challenge Ahab?

2. Where did God send Elijah, and how did God take care of him when a famine struck the land of Israel? (2-6) How was God training his servant? What did Elijah learn?

3. How did the word of the Lord continue to direct Elijah? Where did the word of the Lord send him when the brook dried up? (7-9) How did the widow of Zarepath exercise faith? How was she blessed? (10-16) What did Elijah learn at this time? What happened to the woman's son? (17-18) How did Elijah revive the widow's dead son? (19-23) What did the woman learn? (24) What was God teaching Elijah?

II. ELIJAH CHALLENGES BAAL WORSHIP (18:1-46)

4. What word of the Lord came to Elijah in the third year? (1) How severe was the famine in Israel? (2-6) Who was Obadiah? How had he demonstrated his faith in God? (3-4)

5. What was Obadiah doing when he met Elijah? Why did he hesitate to tell King Ahab that he had met Elijah? How did Elijah reassure him? (7-15) What can we learn from Obadiah, a layman who feared and served God even under an evil king?

6. How did Ahab greet Elijah? Who was the real troubler of Israel? Who assembled on Mt. Carmel? (16-20) How did Elijah challenge the people of Israel? (21-24) What decision did he urge the people to make? (21)

7. How was Baal revealed as a false god? (25-29) What did Elijah do and how did he pray? (30-37) How did the Lord reveal himself to be the one true God? What did the people do and what did Elijah do? (38-40) How was the drought broken? How did Elijah show his joy in victory? (41-46)