

ELIJAH, PROPHET TO ISRAEL

1 Kings 17 – 19

After the terrible behavior of Israel's first seven kings, it was to be expected that God would send some sort of judgment on the nation. Read the following to see exactly what He did send.

A. Elijah's Prediction and Its Results: Read 1 Kings 17:1–18:16

1. What prediction did Elijah make before King Ahab? 1 Kings 17:1

2. What did Elijah have to do as a result of this prediction? Why?
1 Kings 17:3a, 18:8-10

3. What two miracles did God perform to keep Elijah alive during the drought?
 - a. 1 Kings 17:6 _____
 - b. 1 Kings 17:9-16 _____
4. What miracle did God give Elijah power to perform during these years?
1 Kings 17:17-24

5. How long did the drought continue? 1 Kings 18:1 (See also James 5:17)

6. At the end of this time, what did King Ahab and his servant have to do?
1 Kings 18:5, 6

7. What did God then tell Elijah to do? Why? 1 Kings 18:1

B. Elijah's Appearance Before Ahab: Read 1 Kings 18:17-24

1. Of what did Ahab accuse Elijah when he saw him? 1 Kings 18:17

2. Why did Elijah say the trouble had come upon Israel? 1 Kings 18:18

3. What three groups did Elijah tell Ahab to gather together at Mt. Carmel?
1 Kings 18:19

4. What did Elijah urge the people to do? 1 Kings 18:21

5. How did he suggest that they prove who was really God? 1 Kings 18:23, 24a

6. Did the people agree that this would be a good test? 1 Kings 18:24b

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C. The Contest Between Baal and God: Read 1 Kings 18:25-46

1. After Baal's prophets had made ready their bullock, what did they do?
1 Kings 18:26, 28

2. How long did they continue to call upon Baal without getting an answer?
1 Kings 18:26, 29

3. After Elijah had repaired God's altar and made ready his bullock, what did he tell the people to do? 1 Kings 18:33b, 34

4. Then what did Elijah ask God to do? 1 Kings 18:36, 37

5. What happened as soon as Elijah had finished his prayer? 1 Kings 18:38a

6. What was burned up as a result? 1 Kings 18:38b

7. What did the people decide as a result of this contest? 1 Kings 18:39

8. What did Elijah then do with the prophets of Baal? 1 Kings 18:40

9. What did God send to Israel after the people had acknowledged that He was the only true God? 1 Kings 18:41, 45

QUESTIONS FOR ME TO THINK ABOUT:

1. Am I permitting any false gods to share God's place in my life?
(See Isaiah 42:8)

2. What will God have to do to make me give Him His rightful place?
