ELIJAH RAN AWAY

SESSION 12



TEXT TRUTH: God gives us strength.

BIBLE VERSE: I am your God. I will strengthen you; I will help you. Isaiah 41:10

BIBLE VERSE PARAPHRASE: I am your God. I will strengthen you; I will help you. Isaiah 41:10

FOR KIDS & PARENTS

1 KINGS 19:1-18

Elijah had been doing God's work for a long time. Elijah had preached to people and told them to stop their wrongdoing and return to God. Elijah had shown people God's great power and wisdom.

Some people did not like the things Elijah did. People began to look for Elijah so they could get rid of him.

Elijah was afraid. He decided to run as far away as he could. First, Elijah went to the wilderness. There he sat down and prayed that he would die. Elijah said, "God, I give up. I've had enough! I'm no better than anyone else." Elijah lay down and slept under a tree.

While Elijah slept, an angel touched Elijah and said, "Get up and eat." Elijah looked around and saw some bread and a jug of water. Elijah ate and drank, then he lay down again.

The angel touched Elijah another time and told him to eat and drink more for the long journey ahead. Elijah obeyed the angel's instructions. Then Elijah walked for forty days and forty nights to the mountain of God. There he found a cave and spent the night.

Suddenly Elijah heard someone ask, "What are you doing here, Elijah?"

Elijah answered, "I have been busy doing God's work. But God's people continue to disobey God and worship false gods. Now my enemies are coming after me."

The angel told Elijah to stand on the mountain. Elijah stood, and he felt a great wind blow. Then Elijah felt the ground shake and he saw a fire. Elijah heard a whisper. The soft voice asked, "Elijah, what are you doing here?"

It was God's voice. God said, "Elijah, go back." God had more work for Elijah.

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Match Words & Shapes

God encouraged Elijah to keep on doing God's work. Elijah learned that God would help him.

Draw lines between shapes that match. What do the words say?





Trace the letters:

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Look for this verse in your Bible—

Isaiah 41:10

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