

Pastor Cliff

1 Kings 18:19-29

The Prophet Elijah

Week 05

October 11, 2026

Confrontations on Carmel

Introduction (*1 Kings 18:1, 17-20*)

1. Elijah Confronts the _____ of Israel (*1 Kings 18:21; Exodus 32:26; Joshua 24:15; Matthew 12:30, 6:24; John 14:6; 1 Peter 3:15*)

2. Elijah Confronts the _____ of Baal (*1 Kings 18:22-27; John 5:17; 2 Corinthians 3:17; Matthew 28:20; Psalms 121:3-4*)

3. The Prophet's _____ Go Unanswered (*1 Kings 18:24, 26, 28-29; Psalms 135:15-17; Luke 23:46*)

Discussion Questions (1 Kings 18:19-29)

1. Based on their confrontation in 1 Kings 18:17-18, why do you think Ahab obeys Elijah in 1 Kings 18:19-20?
2. When Elijah confronts the people of Israel, what does he accuse them of and what do you think their silence means? (*1 Kings 18:21*) Could you be accused of a similar thing? If so, what would help you to stop wavering and follow the LORD completely? If not, in what ways does your life show that you follow the LORD completely and how are you different from the Israelites who remained silent?
3. What does Elijah want to accomplish by confronting the prophets of Baal and how does he give them every advantage? (*1 Kings 18:22-25*)
4. Why do you think Elijah mocks Baal and his prophets? (*1 Kings 18:27*) In 1 Peter 3:15 the apostle tells us to be gentle and respectful. Why doesn't this apply to Elijah as he confronts the prophets of Baal?
5. What can we learn from Elijah about confronting those who oppose God and his people in our world? (*1 Kings 18:22-27*)
6. Describe the prayers and efforts made by the prophets of Baal to get him to answer? (*1 Kings 18:26, 28-29*) What was the result? What does this teach us about prayer? (*Psalms 135:15-17*)