

*Elijah - Standing Alone in the Gap*

**“Showdown on Mount Carmel”**

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***Introduction:***

- A. Throughout the Bible we see that God has chosen \_\_\_\_\_ to be a symbol of His presence.
- B. Today, we will see how Elijah stood all \_\_\_\_\_ against the false \_\_\_\_\_.
- C. Will we have the courage to stand \_\_\_\_\_ and stand \_\_\_\_\_ if necessary?

***I. The Story***

- A. After \_\_\_\_ long years, God sent Elijah back to \_\_\_\_\_.
- B. By this time the land was devastated by a \_\_\_\_\_.
- C. When King Ahab saw Elijah, he called him “the \_\_\_\_\_ of Israel.”
- D. Elijah had the audacity to \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ back to where it belonged.
- E. Elijah proposed a plan to gather all the \_\_\_\_\_ of Israel, and all the \_\_\_\_\_ of Baal and Asherah to meet him at Mt. Carmel.
- F. Elijah had two goals in mind:
  - 1. He wanted to win the people of Israel back to the one \_\_\_\_\_.
  - 2. He wanted to remove the false \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ from the land.
- G. Elijah’s plan provided a reasonable \_\_\_\_\_ of the power of rival \_\_\_\_\_.
- H. The prophets of Baal did their thing from morning to evening, but their god did \_\_\_\_\_ respond.
- I. God answered Elijah’s prayer with an \_\_\_\_\_ and spectacular \_\_\_\_\_.
- J. The miraculous display turned the \_\_\_\_\_ of people \_\_\_\_\_ to God.

***II. The Application***

- A. We learn that riding the \_\_\_\_\_ will give you more than \_\_\_\_\_.
- B. We learn that \_\_\_\_\_ is powerful because \_\_\_\_\_ is powerful.
- C. We learn that even one \_\_\_\_\_ can make a \_\_\_\_\_.

Answer Key: Intro. A. fire. B. alone, prophets. C. strong, alone. I.A. King, Ahab. I.B. drought. I.C. troubler. I.D. shift, blame. I.E. people, prophets. F.1. true, God. F.2. prophets, priests. G. test, deities. H. not. I. immediate, display. J. hearts, back. II.A. fence, splinters. II.B. prayer, God. II.C. person, difference.