Elijah - Standing Alone in the Gap

“The Grand Finale”

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Introduction:
A. Today’s sermon is the _______ ________ in the story of the life of Elijah and in our sermon series about Elijah.
B. Elijah’s story contains no boring ending, he exits the stage in a ________ and a ________ of wind.

I. The Story
A. During our study of Elijah, we have seen him at his ________ and his ________.
B. Today we are going to witness Elijah as he dodges __________ and leaves the earth in a _______ of glory.
C. Skipping death puts Elijah in a very rare category - the only other person we know who has exited the earth without dying is ________.
D. The remarkable part of Elijah’s story is that he _______ he was going to be taken up to ________ without dying.
E. Why did God want Elijah to visit Gilgal, Bethel and Jericho before going to the Jordan? Because that’s where the _______ of the ________ were.
F. Just before Elijah was taken, he asked Elisha what he could do for him. Elisha asked for a ________ portion of his ________.
G. A ________ of fire and ________ of fire appeared and Elijah went up to heaven in a ____________.

II. The Application
A. For God’s ________ servants, the end of earthly life is not to be ________.
B. We should serve the Lord until the ______ ______.
C. The ______ of God continues after we ______ _____.