

ELIJAH PART II
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INTRODUCTION

- Elijah lived in a time that was wild and wicked. Israel was in deep trouble with God for worshiping idols.
- Ahab had a wicked wife named Jezebel trained by occult priests.
- Elijah was a prophet marked by faith and the Spirit of the Lord was on him with great power.

I. THE POWER TO OBEY

- The key to Elijah was that he obeyed when the Lord spoke out of the power of the Holy Spirit.
- The things God asks of us are supernatural things, not natural.
- Elijah lived in the power of God. A power that is available to all of us by His Spirit!
- God will ask you to do things that need supernatural courage to perform.
- Without faith it is impossible to please Him.
- I Kings 18:17-19 NLT, "...summon all Israel to join me at Mount Carmel, along with the 450 prophets of Baal and the 400 prophets of Asherah who are supported by Jezebel."
- I Kings 18:1 - God told Elijah that he had to show himself to Ahab then God would send rain.

II. THE CONFRONTATION OF A LIFETIME

- Elijah was alone and hundreds were there who hate him.

- He is sent by God and he believes God is totally in this. Elijah is living in His presence.
- Vs. 21 - "How much longer will you waver or hobble between two opinions?" What a huge question!
- A lot of people do this, they limp through life never committed to God.
- Vss. 25-29 - Where is your god??? Six hours go by!!!
- Elijah's plan - Vss. 30-35 – Pour on water.
- Elijah's prayer vss. 36-39 - He is always praying, listening, declaring, and engaging with God.
- His faith won the day and the hearts of his people.
- If you want to win people's hearts for Jesus you have got to settle who you belong to and who you serve.

III. THE PROMISE FULFILLED

- When God makes a promise it is as good as having it done.
- Vss. 41-45 - God gives promises to provoke prayer, so we will partner in faith with Him.
- Jesus said, "Ask and it shall be given to you..."
- Elijah engaged in the promise. He prayed even though God said it would be done.
- Prayer is a partnership and prayer matters.
- Elijah was expectant and hope filled when he prayed.

CLOSE

- Vs. 37 - "Answer me that the people may know...that you have turned their hearts back..."
- The whole story is about one thing - turning people's hearts back to Himself.