

Bible Engagement Project | Purposeful Living

Week 19: Showdown on Mt. Carmel - 'God is the Only True God'

#### 1 Kings 18

Later on, in the third year of the drought, the Lord said to Elijah, "Go and present yourself to King Ahab. Tell him that I will soon send rain!" So Elijah went to appear before Ahab.

Ahab went out to meet Elijah. When Ahab saw him, he exclaimed, "So, is it really you, you troublemaker of Israel?" "I have made no trouble for Israel," Elijah replied. "You and your family are the troublemakers, for you have refused to obey the commands of the Lord and have worshiped the images of Baal instead. Now 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."

So Ahab summoned all the people of Israel and the prophets to Mount Carmel. Then Elijah stood in front of them and said, "How much longer will you waver, hobbling between two opinions? If the Lord is God, follow him! But if Baal is God, then follow him!" But the people were completely silent.

Then Elijah said to them, "I am the only prophet of the Lord who is left, but Baal has 450 prophets. Now bring two bulls. The prophets of Baal may choose whichever one they wish and cut it into pieces and lay it on the wood of their altar, but without setting fire to it. I will prepare the other bull and lay it on the wood on the altar, but not set fire to it. Then call on the name of your god, and I will call on the name of the Lord. The god who answers by setting fire to the wood is the true God!" And all the people agreed.

At the usual time for offering the evening sacrifice, Elijah the prophet walked up to the altar and prayed, "O Lord, God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, prove today that you are God in Israel and that I am your servant. Prove that I have done all this at your command. O Lord, answer me! Answer me so these people will know that you, O Lord, are God and that you have brought them back to yourself."

Immediately the fire of the Lord flashed down from heaven and burned up the young bull, the wood, the stones, and the dust. It even licked up all the water in the trench! And when all the people saw it, they fell face down on the ground and cried out, "The Lord - he is God! Yes, the Lord is God!"



# Vitals for May 16th

Weekly Need: \$3,200

Actual Given: \$3,951

Sunday School - 37 Worship Service - 93

## 3 easy ways to give:

1. 'Tithes & Offerings' box in the lobby

2. Go to newheightsconnersville.com/giving

3. Mail to the church office

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Susanna Suttles (Mike Suttles mother)

Shannon Wyatt (friend of Donna Parrett)

Nancy Tinch (Paul Tinch's mom) fractured leg

Amy Bare (Bea Burgdoerfer's daughter)

Manny Alvarez

Gary Clavell

Richard Johnson (Lawrence Johnson's brother)

Monica Kibbey (Tonya Jones sister) chemo treatments

Joe Combs (Tonya Jones father)

Mike Wilson - needing a liver/heart problems

Elijah Rader (student of Diane Burks)

Judy Whipple

Names are left on the prayer list for only three weeks; but if you wish for a name to remain longer, please let the office know. \*If you would like a copy of the long term prayer list, you can pick one up in the lobby.



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'Seeking more of Christ to make Christ known more'

#### NHCC Vision:

To see Connersville changed by BUILDING and EQUIPPING disciples to WIN the lost and MULTIPLY disciple makers.