



Sermon Title: Fire in the Summer - Fire on the Mountain

Scripture Reference: 1 Kings 18:1-45

Connection:

- What do you remember most from last week's sermon?
- How did you hear God's voice or sense His presence this past week?
- What's something you're looking forward to this summer?

Reflection:

- Summarize this week's sermon in one to three sentences. What was the main point of the message?
- What did the message say about you, God's people or the world?

Application:

1. **Elijah challenged Israel to stop wavering between two opinions (1 Kings 18:21).**

What are some modern "Baals" that Christians are tempted to worship alongside God? How can we tell when a good thing has become an idol?

Additional Reading: Exodus 20:3-5, Matthew 6:24

2. **The prophets of Baal spent hours shouting, performing, and harming themselves, while Elijah simply prayed and trusted God.**

Why do you think people are often drawn to performance, striving, and self-reliance instead of simple trust in God? Where do you see that temptation in your own life?

Additional Reading: Psalm 46:10, Ephesians 2:8-9

3. **One of the sermon's key ideas was: "God isn't trying to win arguments; He's trying to win people."**

How might that truth change the way we talk with family members, coworkers, neighbors, or others who disagree with us about faith?

Additional Reading: 2 Timothy 2:24-26, 1 Peter 3:15-16

4. **Elijah spent years being prepared by God at the brook, with the widow, and through hardship before standing on Mount Carmel.**

Looking back on your life, can you identify a difficult season that God later used to help someone else? What did you learn during that season?

5. **After the people repented and returned to God, the rain came. The chapter ends not with judgment on Israel, but with God's mercy.**

Is there an area of your life where God may be calling you to repentance, surrender, or renewed obedience? What would taking one practical step toward Him look like this week?