



ELIJAH

“Showdown at Sundown”

1 Kings 18:1-40

June 22, 2025

Read 1 Kings 18:1-22

- 1) Israel’s compromise & corruption Vs 1-16
Matthew 6:24
- 2) The confrontation & the clear choice Vs 17-18, 22
Exodus 32:26; Joshau 24:14-15
- 3) The challenge issued Vs 19-20, 22-24
Leviticus 9:24; 1 Chronicles 21:26

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- 4) The contest & circus commence Vs 25-29
Psalm 121:3-4; Isaiah 45:20; Habakuk 2:18
- 5) The considerable contrast Vs 30-35
Exodus 20:25; Leviticus 1:6-8
- 6) Elijah’s communion with God & his confession of God Vs 36-37
2 Chronicles 7:12-15; Isaiah 26:8 (NIV)
- 7) The Creator answers & consumes the altar & sacrifice Vs 38
Deuteronomy 4:23-24; Hebrews 12:25-29
- 8) The conviction & the commitment of the people Vs 39
- 9) The chilling consequences Vs 40
Deuteronomy 13:13-18; 17:2-5

Our Response:

- 1) How does Elijah's challenge to the people in verse 21 ("How long will you waver...?") apply to us today? What are some ways we "waver between two opinions" today in our spiritual lives?
- 2) What would it look like for you to trust God boldly like Elijah in a current challenge you face?
- 3) What does God's immediate and complete response by fire show about His power and presence? How does this story confirm that God alone is worthy of worship?
- 4) Are there any "Baals" (false gods) in your life that compete for your attention and loyalty like Baal did for Israel? Share one or two and why they are a "false god" for you.
- 5) When have you felt outnumbered or alone in standing for truth? How did God sustain you?
- 6) In what ways are you tempted to doubt God's faithfulness in your life?