



Pastor Adam: Made for the Mission of God

HOW TO USE THIS GUIDE

To maintain a healthy group, focus on four key components: Word, prayer, relationships, and outreach. This guide will help you study a biblical passage through observation, interpretation, and application. As you explore 1 Kings 19:1-19, keep in mind this week's big idea: **we were made for the mission of God**, finding healing and purpose through surrender to Him, even in suffering.

CONNECT

Share about a time when you felt like giving up on something important because it was too hard or you felt alone. What kept you going, or what helped you find renewed purpose

INTRODUCTION

In 1 Kings 19:1-19, Elijah, fresh from a great victory over false prophets, faces a crisis of meaning. Threatened by Jezebel, he flees in fear and despair, feeling alone and ready to die. God meets him in the wilderness with provision, a gentle whisper, and a renewed call to mission—appointing kings and a successor, Elisha, while revealing that thousands remain faithful. This passage reminds us that our purpose is found in God's mission, not our own pursuits. Through suffering, healing, relationships, and vocation, we are called to surrender to God's plan, just as Jesus, our truer Elijah, fulfilled His mission for our sake.

OBSERVATIONS & INTERPRETATION

Read: 1 Kings 19:1-4

- According to the text, why was Elijah struggling? How does Elijah's despair reflect our own struggles when we feel disconnected from God's mission?

Read: 1 Kings 19:5-12

- God provides food and speaks in a "low whisper" (v. 12). How does God's gentle care for Elijah show us His approach to restoring us when we're broken or discouraged?

Read: 1 Kings 19:13-19

- God asks Elijah twice, "What are you doing here?" (vv. 9, 13), then gives him new tasks (vv. 15-16). How does God deal with Elijah "on the mission" instead of in isolation?
- God reveals there are "seven thousand" who remain faithful (v. 18). How does this challenge Elijah's belief that he's alone, and what does it teach us about the role of spiritual family?

APPLICATION

- Elijah, even though he wanted to quit, was led to renew his "all-in" commitment to the mission of God, and that's how he found healing, purpose, family, and vocation. Are you ready to go all-in for God's mission?
- Who is your "Elisha"—someone you can invest in or learn from to grow in God's mission?
- Jesus, our truer Elijah, suffered and was restored to fulfill God's mission. How does His example inspire you to give yourself wholly to God's purpose this week?

PRAYER

Pray for each other to be completely committed to God and his mission for your lives. Repent of any distractions and allow him to heal and help you on the way.