

Ministry & Powers of Elijah



Identity & Background

Elijah was from Tishbe in Gilead

Heb. Eliyahu -Elijah means “God is my God”

Elijah was sent to prophesy to King

Ahab who was a worshipper of Baal and responsible for allowing Jezebel to promote Idolatry in Israel.

Ministry & Power

Drought and the Ravens (1 Kings 17):

- **Power over Rain and Drought**

Elijah prophesied a severe drought as punishment for the idolatry of the people and King Ahab. During this drought, he was miraculously fed by ravens and sustained by a widow who had little food.

- Mount Carmel Confrontation (1 Kings 18):

- **Power to call down Fire for demonstration of God's identity**

Elijah challenged the prophets of Baal to a contest on Mount Carmel, where they were to call upon their god to send fire. When the Baal prophets failed, Elijah prayed, and God sent fire, demonstrating his power and causing the people to recognize the true God.

- Mount Horeb (1 Kings 19):

Relationship with God

- After fleeing Jezebel's wrath, Elijah went to Mount Horeb, where he experienced a powerful encounter with God. God appeared to him not in a storm, earthquake, or fire, but in a "still small voice".

- **Power to resurrect**

Revival of the Widow's Son (1 Kings 17):

When the widow's son died, Elijah prayed, and God miraculously brought the boy back to life.

- **Calling Down Fire to stop Evil (2 Kings 1):**

Elijah called down fire from heaven to destroy two groups of soldiers sent to arrest him.