

God or Tyrants: A Study of 1 & 2 Kings

Lesson 05: A Prophet's Prophet

Assignment for next week:

- Read 1 Kings 17:1 – 19:21
- Draw a picture of Elijah based on the incidents that you read about in this week's reading (or, if you're "artistically challenged", have ChatGPT create one for you). What did you consider important as you depicted Elijah?
- Look up pictures of Elijah done by artists throughout the centuries. How did they portray Elijah?
- Ponder the following questions (*taken from the Whole Bible Project, copyright NPH*):
 - **Monday:** [1 Kings 17] Sometimes Christians react to the charismatic movement by saying that strong Christians should believe in God without the proof provided by miracles. React to this thought.
 - **Tuesday:** [1 Kings 17] The story of Elijah and widow at Zarephath illustrates what Jesus taught in the Lord's Prayer, "give us this day our daily bread". How is our/your situation in life *similar to* and how is it *different from* what Elijah lived through?
 - **Wednesday:** [1 Kings 18] Many in Israel gave in to Ahab and Jezebel's pressure. What would you have done if you had lived in Israel in those days? Where do we turn to find strength to hold to Christ when others are turning away from him?
 - **Thursday:** [1 Kings 18] Agree or disagree. We should teach our children to respect everyone's religion.
 - **Friday:** [1 Kings 19] Luther said that when things are going well, don't get too proud, for you will experience difficult times again. And when you are having difficulties, don't despair, for the Lord will bring out good times. How was this true in Elijah's case?
 - **Saturday:** [1 Kings 19] Elijah is mentioned in many other places in Scripture (Mal 4:5; Rev 11:6(?); Lk 1:17; Jn 1:21; Mt 11:14; 17:10-13; Mt 17:3; Mk 9:4; Lk 9:30,31; Rm 11:2-4; Mt 27:47; Mk 15:35; . What does this say both about Scripture and about Elijah?