

BIBLE STUDIES FOR LIFE®

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CONVERSATION

Elijah on Mount Carmel

1 KINGS 18

God sent Elijah far away. After a time God told Elijah, "Go and speak to Ahab."

When Ahab met Elijah, Ahab said, "Is that you, the one destroying Israel?"

Elijah said, "You and your family are the destroyers. You have followed false gods. Gather the people to meet me at Mount Carmel. Call the 450 prophets of Baal and the 400 prophets of Asherah who serve Queen Jezebel."

King Ahab gathered the Israelites and the prophets of false gods. Elijah asked the people, "How long until you decide? If God is the true God, follow Him. If Baal is a god, follow him." The people did not answer Elijah.

Elijah said, "I am the only prophet of the Lord, but Baal's prophets are many. Bring two bulls to sacrifice. Prepare one of them, place it on the wood, but do not light the fire. I will do the same with the other bull. Then call on the name of your god, and I will call on the name of the Lord. The one who answers and sends fire—He is God."

The prophets of Baal prayed. "Baal, answer us!" they shouted from morning until noon. But there was no answer. All afternoon the people prayed to Baal. Still, there was no sound. No one answered.

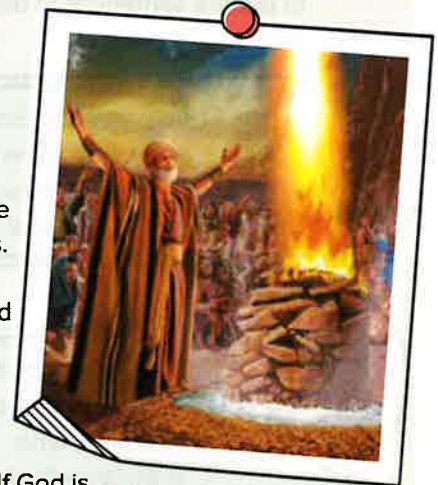
Then Elijah told the people to gather near him. He took 12 stones and built an altar. Then he made a trench around the altar to hold water. He arranged the wood, prepared the bull, and placed it on the wood. Elijah said, "Fill four water pots with water and pour it on the bull and the wood." Elijah told the helpers to pour water on the altar two more times. Soon, water ran all around the altar and filled the trench.

In the early evening, Elijah came to the altar and prayed, "Lord, today let it be known that You are God, and I am your servant! Answer me so that the people will know that You, the Lord, are God."

God did! Fire burned the offering, the wood, the stones, and the water. The people cried, "The Lord, He is God! The Lord, He is God!"

WEEKLY BIBLE VERSE: 1 Kings 8:60

LIFE POINT: God is the only God and deserves honor and obedience.



THE BIBLE MEETS LIFE

Parents, today your child learned that God is the only God and deserves honor and obedience. On Mount Carmel Elijah called on God, and God showed His awesome power. God proved He was the one and only true God!

LIVE IT OUT

Review with your child how God showed His power to the people on Mount Carmel. Help her memorize the Weekly Bible Verse, 1 Kings 8:60. Pray with your child, thanking God that He is powerful and the only God.

LEVEL OF BIBLICAL LEARNING

God is all-powerful and in control of all things.

DAILY BIBLE READING

Sunday: 1 Kings 8:60

Monday: Isaiah 44:6

Tuesday: James 2:19

Wednesday: Deuteronomy 4:35

Thursday: 1 Timothy 1:17

Friday: Isaiah 46:9

Saturday: Philipians 2:5-6

TAKE IT FURTHER: Check out *Elijah on Mount Carmel* in Bible Studies for Life on the LifeWay Kids App for Bible stories, games, and more.

