



Elijah Calls Down Fire: A Study of Power and Faith



Discover the power of faith and God's presence as Elijah calls down fire from heaven to demonstrate His glory.



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Introduction

Welcome to this 7-day Bible study plan centered on the remarkable story of **Elijah calling down fire from heaven**. This powerful narrative, found in 1 Kings 18, reveals the awe-inspiring demonstration of God's power through one faithful prophet during a time of nation-wide spiritual crisis.

Elijah's story challenges us to consider the nature of faith, obedience, and the presence of God in our lives. The dramatic contest on Mount Carmel between Elijah and the prophets of Baal serves as a vivid reminder that God alone deserves our trust and worship.

Throughout this plan, we will explore key themes such as prayer, the importance of calling on God with boldness, and how God responds to authenticity and humility. Each day, you will be guided through scripture passages, devotional reflections, and thought-provoking questions to deepen your understanding and personal application.

Whether you are encountering this passage for the first time or revisiting it with fresh eyes, may you be inspired by Elijah's unwavering faith and God's miraculous response. Let this study strengthen your trust in God's power to act on your behalf, even in situations that seem impossible. **Let's embark on this journey together, discovering God's faithfulness and our call to bold obedience.** 🙏🔥





Day 1: 🔥 Elijah's Bold Stand Against False Gods



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Your Verse

1 Kings 18:20-24 - "Elijah said to the people, 'How long will you waver between two opinions? If the LORD is God, follow him; but if Baal is God, follow him.'"

Supporting Scriptures

- *Exodus 20:3 - 'You shall have no other gods before me.'*
- *Deuteronomy 6:5 - 'Love the LORD your God with all your heart.'*



Day 1: 🔥 Elijah's Bold Stand Against False Gods

Devotional: Choosing God Over False Idols

Today we witness Elijah confronting a nation torn between worshiping the true God and the false god Baal. His challenge to the people of Israel is both daring and urgent, calling them to make a decisive commitment. Their wavering hearts parallel many believers' own struggles to fully surrender to God amidst competing loyalties and distractions.

Elijah's clear and courageous declaration teaches us that faith must be a decisive choice. Recognizing who God truly is and committing ourselves wholly to Him is foundational to our spiritual journey. This passage prompts us to examine where our own faith might be divided and inspires us to take a stronger stand for God.

As you reflect today, consider the influences that vie for your attention and loyalty. How can you renew your commitment to put God first in every area of your life?



Day 1: 🔥 Elijah's Bold Stand Against False Gods

Reflect and Apply

1. Where in your life are you feeling 'divided' or hesitant in your faith?

2. What false 'gods' might be competing for your devotion?

3. How can you make a clearer, stronger commitment to follow the Lord?



Day 1: 🔥 Elijah's Bold Stand Against False Gods

Journaling Prompts

1. Write about a time you struggled to choose God above other priorities.

2. List ways you can guard your heart against spiritual wavering.

3. Describe what it means personally to 'follow the LORD' wholeheartedly.



Day 1: 🔥 Elijah's Bold Stand Against False Gods

Prayer for Today

Heavenly Father, thank You for the example of Elijah's boldness in standing for You. Help me to recognize any areas where I waver or hesitate in my faith. Give me strength to make an unwavering commitment to follow You alone. May my heart be fully devoted to You above all else. Guide me daily to live with courage and clarity of faith. *In Jesus' name, Amen.* 🙏🔥💪





Day 2: ⌚ Waiting on God's Timing



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Your Verse

1 Kings 18:36-37 - "At the time of sacrifice, Elijah the prophet stepped forward and prayed... 'LORD, the God of Abraham, Isaac and Israel, let it be known today that you are God in Israel.'"

Supporting Scriptures

- *Psalm 27:14 - 'Wait for the LORD; be strong and take heart and wait for the LORD.'*
- *Isaiah 40:31 - 'Those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength.'*



Day 2: ⌚ Waiting on God's Timing

Devotional: Learning Patience Through Prayer

Elijah's fervent prayer on Mount Carmel reminds us of the crucial role of patient waiting on God's timing. The prophet prayed earnestly, yet he waited for God's response visibly and patiently, trusting that God would act on His perfect schedule.

Waiting is often difficult, especially when the outcome matters deeply. Yet God's timing always works for our good and His glory. Elijah's example encourages us to remain steadfast and confident, even when answers seem delayed.

Reflect today on how you handle waiting in your life. Are there areas where impatience threatens your faith? Trusting God's timing helps strengthen our relationship and builds spiritual maturity.



Day 2: ⌚ Waiting on God's Timing

Reflect and Apply

1. What does waiting on God look like in your daily life?

2. How do you respond when God's timing differs from your expectations?

3. What are ways you can cultivate patience in prayer?



Day 2: ⌚ Waiting on God's Timing

Journaling Prompts

1. Write about a past experience where waiting on God resulted in blessing.

2. Identify areas where impatience is a struggle for you.

3. List practical steps to grow more patient during uncertain times.



Day 2: ⌚ Waiting on God's Timing

Prayer for Today

Lord, teach me to wait patiently on Your perfect timing. Help me to trust that You hear my prayers and will act according to Your divine plan. Strengthen my faith when I feel anxious or tempted to rush ahead. May Your peace fill my heart as I wait quietly in Your presence. *Thank You for being faithful and true.* In Jesus' name, Amen. ⌚ 🙏 ❤️





Day 3: 🔥 God's Power Revealed in Fire



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Your Verse

1 Kings 18:38 - "Then the fire of the LORD fell and burned up the sacrifice..."

Supporting Scriptures

- *Hebrews 12:29 - 'Our God is a consuming fire.'*
- *Psalms 97:3 - 'Fire goes before him and consumes his foes on every side.'*



Day 3: 🔥 God's Power Revealed in Fire

Devotional: Experiencing God's Transforming Power

The dramatic fire from heaven consuming Elijah's sacrifice powerfully demonstrated God's unmatched power and presence. This event confirmed God's supremacy over Baal and revealed His readiness to intervene on behalf of His people.

God's power is awe-inspiring and comforting for those who trust in Him. Just as the fire consumed the sacrifice, God can purify our hearts and empower us to live boldly for Him. Responding to His power with reverence and faith leads to transformation and victory over spiritual challenges.

Today, reflect on how God's power is evident in your life and how you can rely on His strength in difficult situations.



Day 3: 🔥 God's Power Revealed in Fire

Reflect and Apply

1. When have you experienced God's power in your life?

2. How can God's 'consuming fire' refine your heart and priorities?

3. In what areas do you need to trust His strength more fully?



Day 3: 🔥 God's Power Revealed in Fire

Journaling Prompts

1. Describe a situation where God's power gave you courage or breakthrough.

2. Write about what 'God as a consuming fire' means to you personally.

3. Reflect on changes God is calling you to make in your spiritual walk.



Day 3: 🔥 God's Power Revealed in Fire

Prayer for Today

Almighty God, You are powerful beyond measure and worthy of my worship. Thank You for revealing Your strength through Elijah's story of fire. Purify my heart and empower me to live boldly as Your child. Help me to trust Your power to overcome every challenge. Ignite in me a passion to honor You fully each day. *In Jesus' name, Amen.* 🔥🙏✨





Day 4: 🧡 Trusting God in the Midst of Opposition



Your Verse

1 Kings 18:40 - "Elijah said, 'Seize the prophets of Baal! Don't let anyone get away!'"

Supporting Scriptures

- *2 Timothy 1:7 - 'For the Spirit God gave us does not make us timid, but gives us power, love and self-discipline.'*
- *Psalms 46:1 - 'God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble.'*



Day 4: 🧡 Trusting God in the Midst of Opposition

Devotional: Standing Firm with God's Strength

Elijah's fearless action following God's fire was a bold step of judgment against false prophets. This reminds us that trusting God can require courage, especially when confronting opposition or standing for truth.

Faith does not mean passivity but a confident trust that equips us to face challenges. When we rely on God's presence and power, we can act with clarity and strength even in difficult circumstances.

Consider today the areas where God may be calling you to stand firm against cultural pressures or personal fears. Reflection and prayer can prepare you to trust God fully and act bravely.



Reflect and Apply

1. What challenges or opposition are you currently facing in your faith?

2. How does knowing God is your refuge affect your response to trials?

3. In what ways can you demonstrate courage rooted in faith?



Journaling Prompts

1. Recall a time you needed God's strength to overcome fear.

2. Write about a situation calling you to stand up for your beliefs.

3. Reflect on God's role as your refuge in moments of trouble.



Day 4: 🧡 Trusting God in the Midst of Opposition

Prayer for Today

Lord God, thank You that You are my refuge and strength. When I face opposition, fill me with Your Spirit's power so I will not be timid but bold. Help me to stand firm in faith, knowing You fight for me. Give me courage to act with love and self-discipline. *May I always trust in Your ever-present help.* Amen. 🧡 🔥 🛡️





Day 5: 🙏 Prayer as a Channel for God's Power



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Your Verse

James 5:17 – "Elijah was a human being, even as we are. He prayed earnestly that it would not rain, and it did not rain on the land for three and a half years."

Supporting Scriptures

- *1 Thessalonians 5:17 – 'Pray continually.'*
- *Luke 18:1 – 'Always pray and not give up.'*



Day 5: 🙏 Prayer as a Channel for God's Power

Devotional: The Power of Earnest Prayer

Elijah's life shows the profound impact of earnest, persistent prayer. His prayers influenced nature and demonstrated a dynamic connection with God, emphasizing that prayer is more than words — it is trusting action and spiritual partnership.

We are reminded that prayer is powerful and essential. Like Elijah, our prayers invite God's involvement in our lives and in the world around us. No one is too ordinary to engage in mighty prayer; God uses ordinary people who pray with faith.

Reflect on your prayer habits today. Are you praying with expectation? Consider how consistency and earnestness in prayer can unlock God's power in your life.



Day 5: 🙏 Prayer as a Channel for God's Power

Reflect and Apply

1. How consistent and earnest is your current prayer life?

2. What encourages or hinders you from praying persistently?

3. How can you deepen your trust in God's response to prayer?



Day 5: 🙏 Prayer as a Channel for God's Power

Journaling Prompts

1. Write about a time when your prayer was answered in a powerful way.

2. List ways you can grow in persistent prayer.

3. Reflect on how prayer changes your perspective during challenges.



Day 5: 🙏 Prayer as a Channel for God's Power

Prayer for Today

Gracious Father, thank You for the gift of prayer and the example of Elijah's faith-filled prayers. Teach me to pray earnestly and persistently, trusting You hear and answer according to Your will. Help me to cultivate a deeper connection with You through constant conversation. May my prayers align with Your purposes and bring glory to Your name. *In Jesus' name, Amen.* 🙏





Day 6: ☁️🌧️ God's Provision After the Drought



Day 6: ☁️ God's Provision After the Drought

Your Verse

1 Kings 18:41-45 - "Elijah said to Ahab, 'Go, eat and drink, for there is the sound of a heavy rain.'"

Supporting Scriptures

- *Philippians 4:19 - 'God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus.'*
- *Matthew 7:11 - 'If you, then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give good gifts to those who ask him!'*



Day 6: ☁️ God's Provision After the Drought

Devotional: Hope and Trust in God's Provision

After the powerful display of fire, the story closes with Elijah's hope-filled proclamation of coming rain after a long drought. This shift from judgment to provision highlights God's mercy and faithfulness to restore and bless.

God often tests faith through droughts — times of waiting or hardship — but His provision is sure and abundant. Elijah's confidence in God's promise reminds us to hold onto hope and trust that God's blessings will come in His perfect timing.

Reflect today on areas of scarcity or need in your life. How can you embrace God's provision and rejoice in His faithfulness?



Reflect and Apply

1. Where do you need to trust God's provision most right now?

2. How does remembering God's faithfulness affect your hope in hard times?

3. What practical steps can you take to rest in God's timing and care?



Day 6: ☁️ God's Provision After the Drought

Journaling Prompts

1. Write about a time God provided unexpectedly after hardship.

2. List areas where you need to surrender control and trust God fully.

3. Describe the emotions you feel when anticipating God's blessings.



Day 6: ☁️ God's Provision After the Drought

Prayer for Today

Faithful God, thank You for Your endless provision and mercy, even after dry seasons of life. Help me to hold onto hope and trust Your timing and faithfulness. Provide for my needs according to Your riches and pour out blessings that refresh my soul. Teach me to rest confidently in Your care. *In Jesus' name, Amen.* ☁️ 🙏 🌈





Day 7: 💡 Living Boldly as God's Witness



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Your Verse

Romans 1:16 - "I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes."

Supporting Scriptures

- *Acts 1:8 - 'You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you.'*
- *2 Timothy 1:8 - 'Do not be ashamed of the testimony about our Lord.'*



Day 7: 💡 Living Boldly as God's Witness

Devotional: Empowered to Share God's Truth Boldly

Elijah's story ends as a powerful example for us to live boldly for God and bear witness to His power and truth. Just as Elijah's actions testified to who God is, we are called to confidently share the gospel and live as His witnesses.

Living boldly doesn't mean arrogance or recklessness; it means courageous faith that reflects God's love and power. We rely on the Holy Spirit's empowerment as we face challenges and opportunities to proclaim the good news.

As you close this study, consider what boldness looks like in your daily walk. How can you become more intentional about sharing God's truth and living with courageous faith?



Day 7: 💡 Living Boldly as God's Witness

Reflect and Apply

1. In what ways are you living boldly for Christ today?

2. What fears or obstacles hold you back from witnessing about God?

3. How can reliance on the Holy Spirit increase your courage?



Day 7: 💡 Living Boldly as God's Witness

Journaling Prompts

1. Write about someone you admire for their bold faith.

2. List personal areas where you can grow in courageous witness.

3. Pray for opportunities and boldness to share God's love.



Day 7: 💡 Living Boldly as God's Witness

Prayer for Today

Holy Spirit, empower me to live boldly for Jesus and share the gospel without fear. Help me to overcome shame and hesitation with Your strength. May my life be a testimony of God's power and love that draws others to You. Guide me each day to reflect Christ's courage and grace. *In Jesus' name, Amen.* 💡 🙏





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