



Elijah



BIBLE WORDS TO REMEMBER

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Bible Story: ISRAEL FORGETS GOD

from 1 Kings 17

After King Solomon died, many different kings ruled over Israel. They did not follow God. The people began to worship other gods and disobeyed God's law. A prophet of the Lord tried to remind Israel of God's promises to them to be His people.

The prophet's name was Elijah. God told Elijah what would happen because of the evil of the people and their King Ahab. One day Elijah went to the king and said, "There will be no rain or **dew** in the land these years except at my word. You will know that the God of Israel is the one true God. He has power over everything, even though you have forgotten Him."

The king was so angry that he wanted to kill Elijah. God told Elijah to run away and hide by a **brook** and He would send birds called **ravens** to feed him. Elijah did what the Lord told him to do. The ravens brought him bread and meat in the morning and bread and meat in the evening, and he drank from the brook. Elijah stayed by the brook until the water dried up.

Then God told him to go to a certain town. There would be a woman there who would give him food and take care of him.

WORDS TO KNOW

- dew:** moisture in the form of small drops that collects overnight on cool surfaces outside
- brook:** a small stream of water
- ravens:** large black birds of the crow family



Questions: THINKING & REMEMBERING

Fill in the blanks or circle the letters of all that are right.

1. What does the story tell us about the kings who ruled after Solomon died?
 - a. They were good kings like Solomon.
 - b. They did not follow God.
 - c. They liked to fight other nations.
2. What two things did the people do?
 - a. They worshiped other gods.
 - b. They respected their king.
 - c. They disobeyed God's law.
3. What was the prophet's name who reminded the people of God's promises?
 - a. Nathan b. Samuel c. Elijah
4. What did this prophet tell the king?
 - a. "There will be a flood."
 - b. "There will be no rain until I say the words."
 - c. "There will be a war with the Philistines."
5. What did he say the people of Israel would know?
 - a. The God of Israel is the one true God.
 - b. They could worship other gods and the God of Israel at the same time.
 - c. God has power over everything.
6. What did the king want to do to Elijah? _____
7. What did God tell Elijah to do?
 - a. run away and hide by a brook
 - b. to keep telling the king to follow His commandments
8. How did God feed Elijah and take care of him?
 - a. He sent a servant to help Elijah get food.
 - b. He sent ravens to feed him bread and meat in the morning and evening.
 - c. There was water for him to drink in the brook.
9. What happened when the brook dried up?



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Bible Story: FOOD THAT LASTS

from 1 Kings 17

When God told Elijah to go to a town where there would be a woman who would give him food, Elijah did not ask God any questions. He left the dry brook where God had sent ravens to feed him.

When he came to the town, he saw the woman God had told him about. She was at the gate of the city gathering sticks. He called to her and said, "Please bring me a little water in a cup so that I can have a drink." As she was leaving to get the water, he called and said, "Please bring me some bread to eat."

Even though there was very little water, the woman was kind and wanted to help him. But when he asked for food, the woman looked very sad. She said, "I only have a little flour and oil left. After I use it to cook this one last meal for my son and me, we will die." Elijah said, "Do not be afraid. When you give me food, God has told me that you will never run out of flour and oil until the rains come."

The woman did as Elijah said, and the **bin** of flour was not used up and the jar of oil did not run out—there was always more, just as the Lord promised.

WORDS TO KNOW

bin: a large covered container or box for storing things

PRAYER THOUGHT



Dear God, Thank-you for this story about the kind woman. She shared what she had, even though it was almost gone! You will always take care of us when we believe Your Word. Amen.



Questions: THINKING & REMEMBERING

Fill in the blanks or circle the letters of all that are right.

1. True or False:
 - a. _____ Doves fed Elijah at the brook.
 - b. _____ Elijah argued with God about what to do.
 - c. _____ Elijah left the dry book and went to the town.
 - d. _____ Everything happened just as God said.
2. Why did God tell Elijah to go to the town?
 - a. There would be a woman who would give him food and water.
 - b. A woman would take care of Elijah.
3. When Elijah saw the woman, what did he ask her to give him?
 - a. a drink of water b. some bread to eat c. a place to rest
4. How did the woman treat Elijah?
 - a. She was angry that he asked her for food.
 - b. She was kind.
 - c. She didn't want to help him.
5. When he asked for something to eat, what did she tell him?
 - a. He would need to ask someone else.
 - b. She only had enough for one more meal.
 - c. She and her son were going to die.
6. What did Elijah tell her?
 - a. He told her to not be afraid.
 - b. He told her not to be selfish.
 - c. He said that God would take care of her.
 - d. He said she would never run out of flour and oil until the rains come.
7. How long did her food last?
 - a. until it rained again b. for another week
8. Complete the Bible Words to Remember from Jeremiah 33:3.

" _____ to Me, and I will _____ you, and _____
you _____ and _____ things, which you do not know."



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Bible Story: A CONTEST

from 1 Kings 18

King Ahab was still angry with Elijah for telling him that there would be no rain. One day, Elijah met one of the king's servants. He said, "Tell the king where I am."

The king came to Elijah and said, "It was you who brought all this terrible trouble to Israel!" "No," said Elijah, "it was because you and your people have forgotten God and His commandments. It is you who are following the false god Baal."

Elijah said that he would prove who was the one true God. He told the king that there would be a contest. They would build two altars—one altar to the false god, Baal, and one altar for the true God.

When the people came with 450 prophets of Baal, Elijah spoke to the people, "I am the only prophet of the Lord God left. How long will you **falter** between two **opinions**? If the Lord is God, follow Him; but if Baal is, follow him." The people did not say a word.

Then he told them to ask their god to send fire to burn up the offering, and he would do the same. The people prayed to their false god and nothing happened. They **screamed** and cried all day, but their god did not hear.

WORDS TO KNOW

- falter:** to be weak and hesitate; to not be sure
opinions: what a person thinks or believes
screamed: to make a loud, shrill, piercing cry or sound



Questions: THINKING & REMEMBERING

Fill in the blanks or circle the letters of all that are right.

1. Whom did Elijah tell to come and see him?
 - a. the king
 - b. the queen
 - c. another prophet
2. Why was King Ahab still angry with Elijah?
 - a. He had told him there would be no rain.
 - b. He had not bowed down to him.
 - c. He said that it was Elijah who brought terrible trouble to Israel.
3. Who did Elijah tell him was to blame?
 - a. the king and his people
 - b. the Israelites who had forgotten God and His commandments
 - c. the false god they were worshiping
4. How did Elijah want to prove that God was the true God?
 - a. by having a contest
 - b. by breaking the statue of Baal
5. What test would show who the true God was?
 - a. the one who had power to send fire on the offering
 - b. the one who made it rain on the altar
 - c. the one who shouted the loudest
6. How many prophets of the false god Baal were there?
 - a. 500
 - b. 200
 - c. 450
7. What did Elijah say to the people?
 - a. "I am the only prophet of the Lord God left."
 - b. "How long will you falter between two opinions?" (keep trying to follow two gods)
 - c. "If the Lord is God, follow Him; but if Baal is, follow him."
8. What did he tell the people to do?
 - a. ask their god to send fire to burn up the offering on their altar
 - b. to pray to their god who could not hear
 - c. to pray to two different gods in case the first one was away
9. Did the false god that the people and king prayed to answer their screams?
 Yes _____ No _____



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Bible Story: CLOUDS IN THE SKY

from 1 Kings 18

Elijah made a **trench** around his altar. He told the people to pour water over his offering three times until the water filled the trench. Then Elijah prayed to God, "O God of Israel, send down fire from heaven and show Your power!" Immediately fire burned up the offering, all the wood on the altar, and even the water that was poured on it. The people cried, "The Lord is the true God. He is the only God of Israel!"

The king was ready to listen to Elijah now. He had seen the power of the God of Israel. After the people saw what God did, they said that they would choose to serve God. Then Elijah said, "It will rain very soon."

Elijah and his servant climbed to the top of a mountain. Elijah prayed and listened to God. He told his servant to go and look toward the sea for a sign of clouds. He came back and said, "There is nothing to see." Elijah sent him back six more times. The seventh time the servant rushed back and said, "I do see a very small cloud in the sky."

Elijah said, "Go and tell King Ahab to get in his chariot and go home before the rains come." The sky became black with clouds, the wind blew, and there was a heavy rain. God gave Elijah great strength. He was so excited that he ran faster than the chariot and arrived at the palace before the king!

WORDS TO KNOW

trench: a long narrow ditch



PRAYER THOUGHT

Dear God, You are so powerful and wonderful! Thank-you for hearing and answering my prayers. Amen.



Questions: THINKING & REMEMBERING

Fill in the blanks or circle the letters of all that are right.

1. How did Elijah prepare his offering?
 - a. He dug a trench around the altar.
 - b. He poured oil over his offering.
 - c. He had the people pour water over his offering.
2. What happened when Elijah prayed to God?
 - a. They waited, but nothing happened.
 - b. The fire burned up the offering, all the wood on the altar, and the water.
 - c. The people cried, "The Lord is the true God. He is the only God of Israel!"
3. After the king saw God's power, what was he ready to do?
 - a. run and hide in his palace
 - b. listen to Elijah
 - c. talk to his gods
4. What news did Elijah give when the people said they would serve God?
 - a. "It will rain very soon."
 - b. "God is going to punish you."
 - c. "It will rain in ten days."
5. Where did Elijah and his servant go?
 - a. back to the city to rest after all the excitement
 - b. to the top of a mountain to pray
6. What did he tell his servant to do?
 - a. to check with the weather man
 - b. to get umbrellas
 - c. to go and look toward the sea for a sign of clouds
7. How many times did the servant come back and report that he saw nothing?
 - a. six times
 - b. seven times
 - c. three times
8. True or False:
 - a. _____ The servant saw a small cloud in the sky on the seventh time.
 - b. _____ The people said they would believe God when it started to rain.
 - c. _____ Elijah wanted the king to go back home before the rains.
 - d. _____ Elijah ran to the palace so fast he arrived before the king.



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Bible Story: A STILL, SMALL VOICE

from 1 Kings 19

After the contest Elijah was not welcome at the palace. The queen whose name was Jezebel was angry that Elijah had turned the people against her god Baal. She gave orders to kill him. Elijah ran for his life. Elijah was so sad that he just wanted to die. He told God that he felt like he was the only one left who loved Him. He thought he had failed.

When Elijah stopped speaking, there was a great and strong wind! Elijah waited. He thought that it was God in the wind. But God was not in the wind. The earth started shaking and again, Elijah thought he would see God. But God was not in the earthquake. Suddenly fire sprang up over the ground around him. But God was not in the fire.

The fire was gone. Elijah listened. There was a still, small whisper of a voice. It was the voice of God. "What are you doing here, Elijah? You are not the only one in Israel who believes in Me. I have chosen a helper for you who will be the next prophet. Go to him and don't be sad any longer."

The words in the Bible help people remember that God will speak in different ways at different times, but God is always there. The Lord was not in the wind, the earthquake, or the fire. God spoke in a still, small voice.



PRAYER THOUGHT

Dear God, I'm so glad, that I can tell You how I feel. I know that You are always with me and will help me when I am in trouble. Help me to hear Your still, small voice. Amen.



Questions: THINKING & REMEMBERING

Fill in the blanks or circle the letters of all that are right.

1. Why was Elijah not welcome at the palace?
 - a. Elijah had turned the people against the queen's false god.
 - b. The king didn't want Elijah to cause any more trouble.
 - c. The queen was angry with Elijah.
2. What order was given about Elijah?
 - a. He was to be thrown out of the kingdom.
 - b. He was a special guest at the palace.
 - c. He was to be killed.
3. How did Elijah feel?
 - a. He was very sad.
 - b. He wanted to die.
 - c. He felt like he was the only one left who loved God.
4. What three things happened next?
 - a. The king came to get Elijah.
 - b. There was a great and strong wind!
 - c. The queen decided to forgive Elijah and believe in God.
 - d. The earth started shaking, and there was an earthquake.
 - e. Fire sprang up over the ground around Elijah.
5. Was God in any of the things that happened? Yes _____ No _____
6. In what way did God speak to Elijah?
 - a. through an angel of God
 - b. in a still, small voice
 - c. He sent a servant.
7. What question did God ask Elijah?
 - a. "What are you doing here?"
 - b. "Why are you sad?"
 - c. "Why don't you go home?"
8. What did God tell Elijah?
 - a. He was not the only one who believed in God.
 - b. He had chosen a helper for Elijah who would be the next prophet in Israel.
 - c. "Don't be sad any longer."