

Elijah: Learning to Follow God
Learning to Obey God
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Background/Context: (1 Kings 16:29-34)

God calls ordinary people for His service
(1 Kings 17:1; 1 Cor 1:26-29; 1 Sam 16:7)

God will protect those who serve Him
(1 Kings 17:2; Psalm 32:7; 91:14)

God provides for our needs as we serve Him
(1 Kings 17:3; Matt 6:31-33; Phil 4:19)

God prepares us as we are serving Him (1 Kings 17:4-7)

It is while we serve Him that we *learn*:

- about obedient faith (v 5; Heb 11:6; 1 Sam 15:22-23)
- to trust God each day (v 6; Luke 11:2-3; Exo 16:4-5)
- to have confidence in God
(v 7; Gen 22:6-8; Exo 14:10-18; Heb 13:6)

Learning to live in obedient faith...

Consider and compare the times in which Elijah lived with the times you live in today...do you see similarities? How does God's call on your life effect how you will live right now in our culture, our times? List and discuss. _____

Learning about God and being prepared for His purpose in our life *happens while we are following and serving Him...agree or disagree? Why? What was Elijah's experience?* _____

What areas do you have the most difficulty trusting God in or for? Why do you think that is? What can you begin to do to readjust your thinking? _____

Has your "brook" ever dried up? How did you respond? After today, might you respond in a different way? Explain. _____

