

Draw the Circle

SERMON SUMMARY

Today's sermon focused on the story of Elijah from 1 Kings 16-17, highlighting the spiritual and moral decline of Israel under King Ahab and Queen Jezebel. Despite the pervasive idolatry and corruption, Elijah stood as a beacon of conviction and faithfulness to God. The sermon emphasized the importance of personal revival and challenged us to be modern-day Elijahs, standing firm in our faith and influencing our culture for God.

KEY VERSES

1 Kings 17:1 (NLT)

1 Now Elijah, who was from Tishbe in Gilead, told King Ahab, "As surely as the Lord, the God of Israel, lives—the God I serve—there will be no dew or rain during the next few years until I give the word!"

James 5:17-18 (NLT)

17 Elijah was as human as we are, and yet when he prayed earnestly that no rain would fall, none fell for three and a half years! 18 Then, when he prayed again, the sky sent down rain and the earth began to yield its crops.

Additional verses: 1 Kings 16:29-33; Jonah 2:8; 1 John 5:21

QUESTIONS

1. What stood out to you the most from today's sermon?
2. How do you see the story of Elijah relating to our current cultural climate?
3. What are some modern-day idols that people might be tempted to worship?
4. How can we, as individuals, resist the tendency to compromise our faith?
5. What does it mean to have an 'Elijah attitude' in today's world?
6. How can we encourage each other to be people of conviction and not compromise?
7. Have you ever experienced a personal revival? What sparked it?
8. What steps can we take this week to draw closer to God and start a revival in our own lives?

LIFE APPLICATION

This week, take a moment each day to pray for personal revival. Ask God to reveal any areas in your life where you may have compromised and seek His strength to stand firm in your faith. Consider carrying a small piece of chalk as a reminder to pray for revival to start with you.