

Wednesday, January 20, 2021

## Week of Fasting

In 1 Kings 18, we see the prophet Elijah up against Jezebel and her false prophets. Elijah challenged the false prophets (worshippers of Baal) to see whose God would answer by fire. As the false prophets spent the whole day trying to get Baal to respond, Elijah prayed a simple prayer, and God did what He does best: "He answered Elijah's prayers".

*"Why should the Gentiles say, "So where is their God?" But our God is in heaven; He does whatever He pleases. Their idols are silver and gold, The work of men's hands. They have mouths, but they do not speak; Eyes they have, but they do not see; They have ears, but they do not hear; Noses they have, but they do not smell; They have hands, but they do not handle; Feet they have, but they do not walk; Nor do they mutter through their throat. Those who make them are like them; So is everyone who trusts in them. O Israel, trust in the LORD; He is their help and their shield."*

Psalms 115:2-9 NKJV

My hope is to encourage you in knowing that we serve the One that is God from everlasting to everlasting. He has always been and always will be God! He is very much alive and still hears the cries and supplications of His Children. We do not worship a powerless idol. Our God is King; He is King of this world and every other. He is full of miraculous power and longs to release that power into your life. Too many of us are looking at the darkness of the world to gauge what the Lord is doing. Darkness has never affected, nor has it moved God. I am reminded of Genesis 1, where the earth was dark and void, then God showed up and started speaking. His words changed everything.

One word from the Lord can still bring life and change circumstances. Look to Him and put away idols and anything that tries to steal His place in your heart. Seek Him and you really will find Him! He can and will respond to our prayers.

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