

# **The Life and Times of Elijah the prophet (1Kings 17 – 2 Kings 2)**

Week 1: Elijah announces himself and spends three years in hidden obscurity, while there is drought

Week 2: Elijah contests with the prophets of Baal and is victorious and then flees for his life

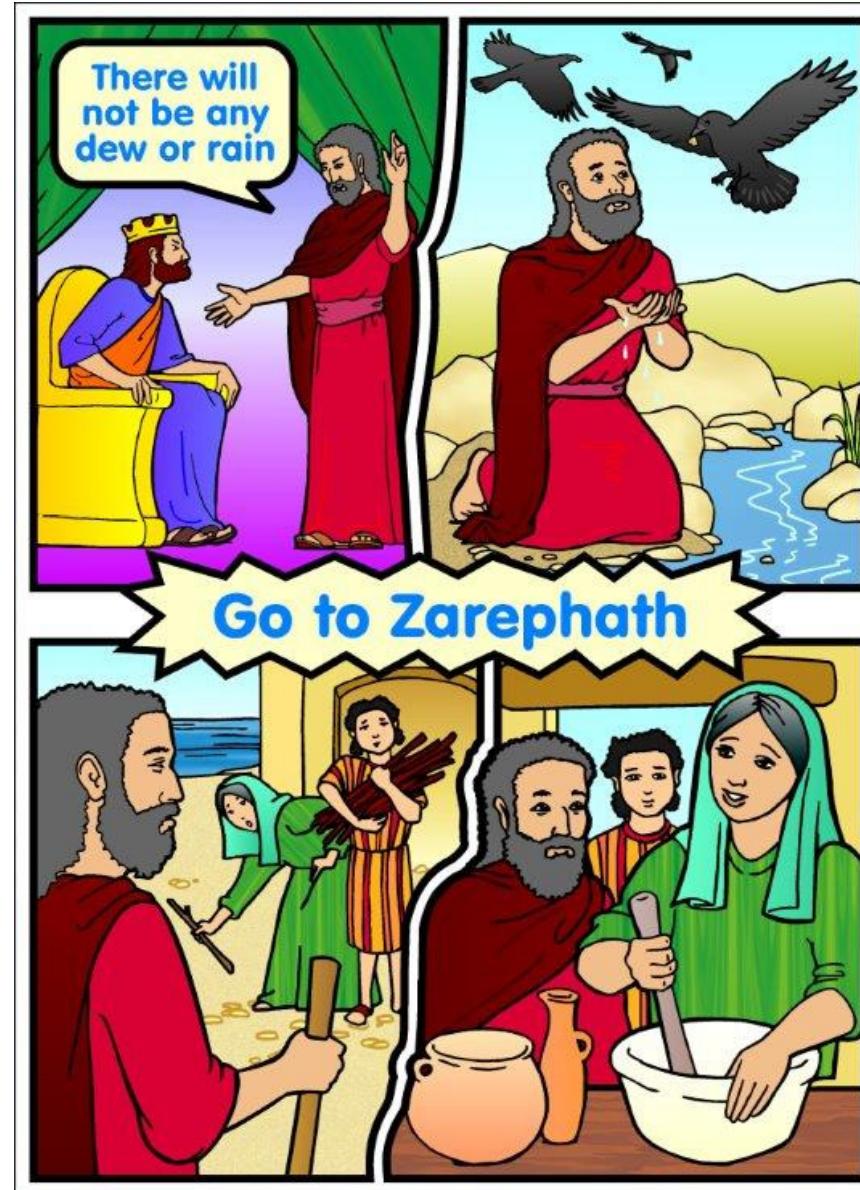
**Week 3: Elijah encounters God who speaks to him in a still small voice and is given further orders**

Today's reading: 1Kings 19:1 – 1Kings 19:21

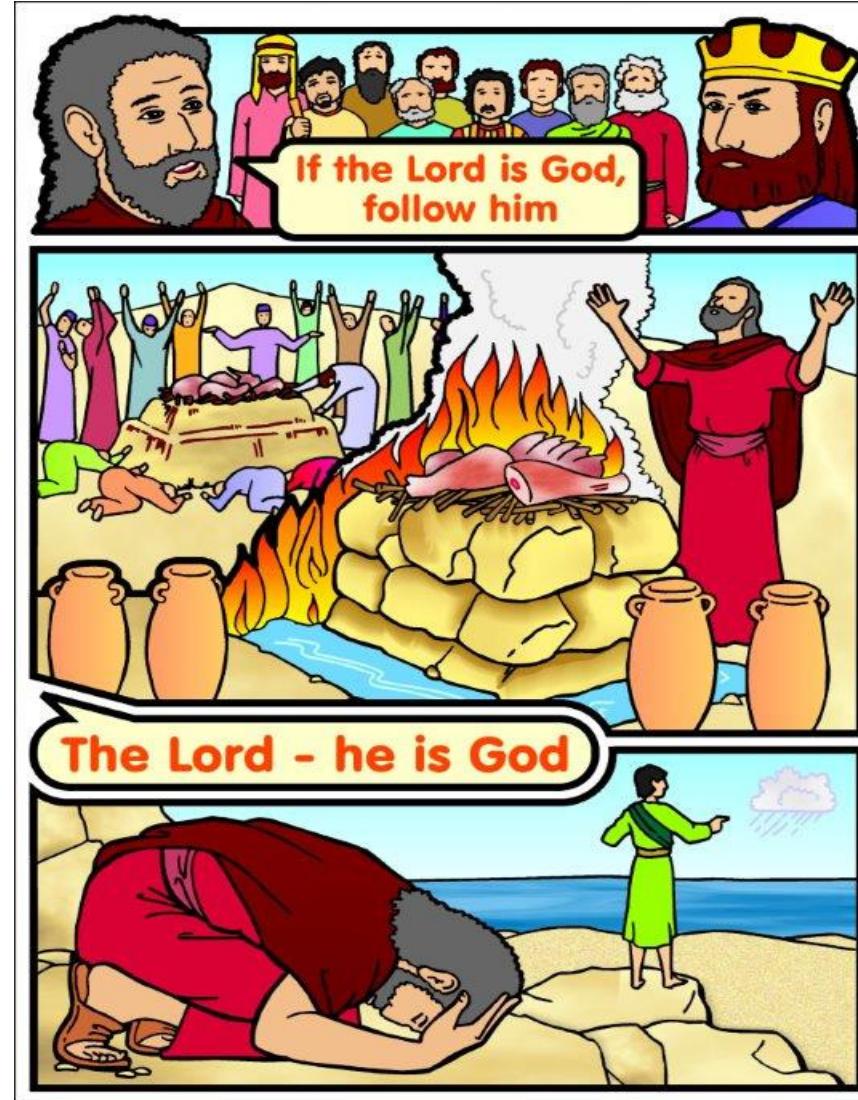
# Elijah the prophet and Ahab the king



# While Elijah was in exile



# Elijah at Carmel



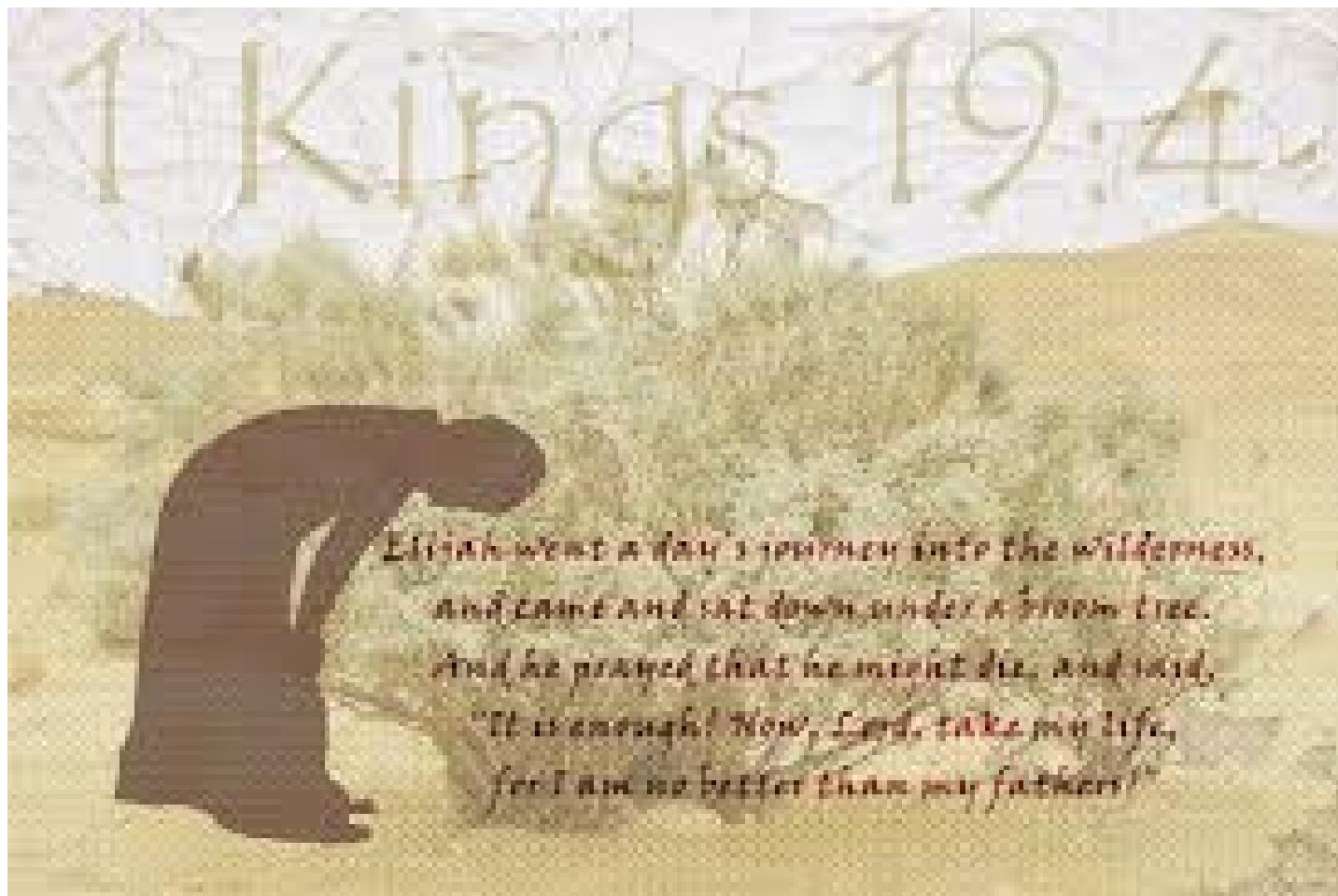
# And the rain falls



# Jezebel



# Elijah's depression



# Elijah flees

19: 1-5

- Jezebel threatens his life
- Elijah is afraid and runs for his life
- He is exhausted and despondent
- He lays down to sleep
- He wants to die

# Elijah is refreshed

19: 6-9

- He eats and sleeps
- He is ministered to by an angel
- He goes on a long journey thus refreshed
- He reaches the mountain of God
- He rests in a cave

# The Lord appears to Elijah

19: 9-11

- The Lord asks the key question
- **What are you doing here?**
- Elijah lists his complaints
- The Lord listens but doesn't respond
- He tells what Elijah what to do next

# The Lord appears to Elijah again

19: 12

- Not in the earthquake
- Not in the wind
- Not in the fire
- But in a still small voice (gentle whisper)

# The Lord listens to Elijah's complaint

19: 13-14

- Elijah in the awesome presence of God
- The Lord repeats his question  
**what are you doing here?**
- Elijah repeats his complaint

# The Lord re-commissions Elijah

19: 15-18

- The Lord doesn't answer Elijah's complaint
- The Lord doesn't chastise Elijah
- He tells Elijah to anoint Hazael king of Aram
- He tells Elijah to anoint Jehu king of Israel
- He tells Elijah to anoint Elisha, his successor
- He tells Elijah of His 7000 faithful followers

# Elijah and Elisha

19: 19-21



# **Elijah and what happens next**

Ch 20: Ben Haded attacks Samaria

Ch 21: Naboth's vineyard

Ch 22: Ahab and Jehosophat

2 Ch 1: Elijah calls fire from heaven

2 Ch 2: Elijah and Elisha go on a journey

# What a way to go

