

Discussion Guide

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Legends Week 1

The God Who Answers by Fire

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Main Idea

This series is about the legendary figures of the Bible—ordinary people who placed their trust in God during extraordinary circumstances and witnessed His miraculous power at work. Today, we'll focus on Elijah—a man who stood alone against a wicked king, called down fire from heaven, and experienced one of the most awe-inspiring moments in Scripture when he outran a storm. When you walk in the power of God, you don't just survive the storms of life—you outrun them.

Anchor Passage

Walk in obedience to all that the LORD your God has commanded you, so that you may live and prosper and prolong your days in the land that you will possess.
(Deuteronomy 5:33, NIV)

Read 1 Kings 16:30, 17:1, 18:1, 21-41

1. Seek God's Heart

In a world full of distractions—social media, news, and societal pressures—the question is: will you follow culture or will you follow Christ? To hear God clearly, we must prioritize His voice above all else.

Question: How can you intentionally prioritize God's voice over the noise of culture, social media, and other pressures? What practical steps can you take this week to spend more time in prayer, worship, and community?

2. Be God's Hands

If you want to see change in your family, take action. If you want to break generational curses, stand and fight. If you want God to move, move in faith.

Read: James 1:22

Question: Reflect on an area in your life where you're waiting for God to move. How might God be waiting on you to take action? What steps can you take this week to move in faith and obedience, trusting that God will move in power?

3. Point Three

When God is with you, you don't just run—you outrun the enemy.

Read: Include additional scriptures if provided.

Question: Reflect on a storm or challenge you're currently facing. How might God's power help you outrun or overcome it? What step can you take today to submit to God and trust that His grace will carry you through?

SUMMARY

In a time of drought and rebellion, Elijah boldly declared God's judgment on Israel and then called on God to prove His power. In a dramatic showdown on Mount Carmel, Elijah challenged the false prophets of Baal, and God answered with fire, proving He was the one true God. Then, Elijah declared that the drought would end, and God sent rain, showing that when God moves, the drought ends. In your life, what storms are you facing that God's power could help you outrun? Elijah's story encourages us to trust God's timing, take action in faith, and rely on His supernatural strength.

CALL TO ACTION

Prioritize God's Presence: Commit to daily time in prayer, worship, and reading the Word. Make space to listen to God, not just speak, and let your heart align with His. This week, set aside intentional time to seek God's heart and deepen your relationship with Him.

Step Out In Faith: Identify an area in your life where you've been waiting for God to move, and take a step of action. Whether it's addressing a challenge, making a tough decision, or confronting a fear, move in obedience to God's Word and trust that He will work through your faith.

Trust In God's Power: If you're facing a storm or season of drought, choose to trust in God's supernatural strength. Believe that His power can help you outrun your challenges. Ask God for His strength today, and take steps of faith knowing that when He moves, everything changes.

GROUP LEADER RESOURCE

Kill Them With Kindness (Murder Mystery)

Cops and robbers, killer and detective, this ice breaker goes by many names but the basic concept is always the same – you pick 1 person to be the detective and send them out of the room while you choose another to be the killer. Then invite the detective back into the room.

Sitting in a circle, the aim of the killer is to kill off as many people as possible whilst remaining undetected. The rule is he/she can only kill a team member by looking them in the eye and winking, and members must die if the killer winks at them. It's the detective's job to find the perpetrator before everyone in the team dies.

To make the game quicker, have the killer win after 3 deaths if he's not been caught.