

## **NEW ASSIGNMENT AT Mt. HOREB**

In our [last lesson](#) we studied Elijah' spiritual problem association with sleeping under the desert Juniper bush.

His problem didn't stem from running from Jezebel, but from the Directive Will of the Living God.

Elijah had become spiritual weary and burned out from serving God during the 3 ½ years of drought to bring spiritual awakening and a spiritual reformation In Priest-Nation of Israel.

Now it was time to launch the spiritual reformation and he wanted to quit and ran into the desert; and took a fetal position for sleep and prayed for God to end his life under the Juniper bush.

God sent a teaching angel to get Elijah out his spiritual slumber for a new assignment in the Plan of God. He was instructed to take a **40-day journey** to the Mountain of God, Mt. Horeb (1 Kgs.19:8) (Deut.1:22).

Like with Jesus, it would be **40 days of spiritual reflection** on the importance of depending on God's word and grace for ministry.

It would be to a nation that would put Him to death over religious jealousy while looking for a Savior (Matt.4:1-11; 27:41-50; Luke 23:34; John 1:29).

### **Four aspects of Elijah's New Assignment at Mt. Horeb.**

**Four homiletic points as well as eight Doctrinal points (DP).**

**The Meeting** (1 Kgs.19:8-10) - **God invited Elijah to a special meeting at His special Mountain (Mt. Horeb).**

- Where did God find Elijah?
- What was Elijah doing?
- How did God reveal Himself to Elijah?
- What question did God ask Elijah?
- What complaint did Elijah give God?

**1<sup>st</sup> (DP)**

- The devil seeks permission from God to participate in the Plan of God (Job 1-2)
- God seeks both unbelievers and believers to participate in the His Perfect Plan (Luke 19:5-10).

**The Message** (1 Kgs. 19:11-12) - **God was preparing Elijah for a new assignment in His Perfect Plan.**

- What did God command Elijah to do?
- What three visual aids did God give Elijah?
- What was not present in these three spiritual **visual aids**?
- What was the **audio aid** used by God to get Elijah's attention? (demamah) (whisper) (Job 4:12)

**2<sup>nd</sup> (DP)** - Our spiritual failures do not hinder the Plan of God, only our participation in it (Jonah and Elijah).

**3<sup>rd</sup> (DP)** - God uses different methods to get our attention when we are running away from His Directive Will; and we should pay attention to the message they are giving us regarding our relationship with God.

**4<sup>th</sup> (DP)** - To hear God's whisper in the midst of a storm of life requires spiritual concentration (Ps.107:29; Matt.8:24-27).

**The Mantle (1 Kgs. 19:13-14)** - National prophets wore the mantle for Christ (addereth) (1 Kgs.19:13,19; 2 Kings 2:8, 13-15).

- What did Elijah hear that caused him to wrap his face? (1 Kgs.19:12-13)
- What was spiritual purpose for wrapping his face with the mantle? (Ex.3:5-6; 33:18-23)
- Why did Elijah go and stand at the entrance of the cave a second time?
- What was God's question to Elijah? Did it sound familiar? (1 Kgs.19:9-10) What was Elijah's answer? (Same Old Man Cosmos Diabolicus - worldly thinking) (OMCD)

**5<sup>th</sup> (DP)** - The Spiritually Advancing believer must become aware of not substituting a Cave for God's refuge and security.

**6<sup>th</sup> (DP)** - God wants Elijah to apply His Directive Will. God wants New Man Divine Viewpoint (NMDV) categorical Bible doctrine (CBD) thinking (Eph.4:20-24; Rom.12:2; 2 Cor.5:7).

**The Men (1 Kgs. 19:15-18)** - The new assignment includes three new men to be anointed and given the Directive Will of God to lead a Spiritual Reformation. Did you note that Elijah was excluded?

- Anoint Hazael, king over Syria.
- Anoint Jehu, king over Israel (Northern Kingdom).
- Anoint Elisha, national prophet - "in your place."

**7<sup>th</sup> (DP)** - The plan of God is not dependent upon any one man, except the God man, Jesus Christ. "Yet I will leave 7,000 in Israel (pivot or remnant of believers), **all the knees** that have not bowed to Baal and **every mouth that has not kissed him.**" (1 Kgs.19:18/ **10, 14**) (**1 Cor.10:13**).

**8<sup>th</sup> (DP)** - The worst condition of being ALONE is when a believer chooses to abandon the Directive Will of God and the need for the presence of the God in his daily life (Luke 15) (Matt.6:24-34).