

Disciple's Quest

If you continue in My word, then you are truly disciples of Mine.

John 8:31

July 8, 2018

From Ahab's Palace to Zarephath

1 Kings 16:29-17:10a

Main Idea:

The aim of today's study is to survey the life of Elijah from the time of his famine proclamation until his arrival in Zarephath. Along the way, special attention will be given to the practical lessons that can be learned from his life while on this journey.

No outline this week

Application:

1) The biblical record in 1 Kings clearly describes Ahab's sin as having been worse than Jeroboam's. Thinking about both today's message, and last week's as well, how did the sin they participated in and led Israel into differ?

Matthew 11:20-24 indicates that one of the things that makes sin more serious, and that can obligate men to greater judgment, is when there is no repentance even after exposure to great light. Do you think that perhaps Ahab's forceful rejection of Elijah's God-given message made his sin more severe?

Could there be further application to unbelievers today who hear the gospel repeatedly, and yet refuse to repent and believe?

2) What two actions of Elijah, covered in today's message, proved his faith and confident trust in God?

3) How would you explain God's Providence to a new believer?

Can you describe some occasions where you recognized God's providence in your own life?

4) Do you agree with the statement that "the best, safest and most joyous place any Believer can be, regardless of location or temporal circumstances, is in the center of God's will?"

How should that realization impact your life?

5) Does God really expect us to obediently follow Him step by step when all we can see on that road ahead of us is challenge? How does Romans 8:28-39 inspire us to stay the course?

