

Part of Replicate

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## 1 Kings 19

### The Opportunity to Influence Provides a New Level of Meaning and Purpose

#### ***A. Elijah's Predicament***

Chapter 17 - Elijah appears on scene and announces a Drought.

Chapter 18 - Elijah has a Confrontation.

Chapter 19 - ↓

*Wicked queen and king are after Elijah-- vs 1*

*Vs 3 - runs*

*Vs 4 - isolates himself and prays to die*

*Elijah doesn't seem to be in any shape to be influencing anyone else*

#### **Observations**

1. Elijah is not thinking Realistically or Clearly.
2. Elijah Separates himself from Relationships that strengthen.
3. Elijah was caught in the aftermath of a great Victory.
4. Elijah is Physically exhausted and Emotionally spent.
5. Elijah submitted to the beast of Set-pity.

#### ***B. God's care of His prophet.***

1. Took care of his physical Needs.
2. Communicates wisely with Elijah
  - God began with a Question.
  - God provides an Object lesson rather than a lecture.
  - God allows Elijah to express his Feelings.
  - God assures Elijah of his Place and Purpose.
3. Gave Elijah a Close personal Friend.

# Seeking to Influence Someone Calls Them to a Higher Commitment

## *A. Comments on Commitment.*

1. Commitment will be demonstrated.
2. Commitment can't be Forced on someone.
3. Commitment Zoe despite a change in circumstances.