Who Is Your God?

(Independence Day)

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God has revealed Himself to mankind. The proof of this revelation is found in His Word, the Bible.	
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The revelation of God's Word is the answer God has	
given to man. When man finds the answer, it causes him	
to ask God all of his questions.	

Ahab was king in Israel. Ahab was wicked, selfish and rebelling from God.	7	
And Ahab the son of Omri did evil in the sight of the Lo above all that were before hin (1 Kings 16:30)		
God had sent His Word to Ahab, by the Prophet Elijah, telling him that is was not going to rain, until God told Elijah to tell Ahab that it was going to rain.		
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Now God has spoken to Elijah and told him to go tell Ahab that it is going to rain. The only way we can have victory over the enemy is by first Surrendering our heart and life to God. The devil was going to be defeated of his own boasting, on his own territory and God was going to get all the glory.

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1) A <u>Sacrifice</u> Is Made.	
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And he put the wood in order, and cut the bullock in pieces,	
and laid <i>him</i> on the wood, and said,	
Fill four barrels with water, and pour <i>it</i> on the burnt sacrifice,	
and on the wood. (1 Kings 18:33)	
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If God is going to answer us, we will need to make a sacrifice.	
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Enter into his gates	
with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him,	,
and bless his name. (Psalm 100:4)	-
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References:	
Leviticus 7:29	
Leviticus 17:5	
2 Samuel 24:24	
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34 And he said, Do <i>it</i> the second time.		
And they did <i>it</i> the second time.		
And he said, Do <i>it</i> the third time.		
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35 And the water ran round about the altar;		
and he filled the trench		
also with water.		-
(2 Kings 18:34-35)		
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1 Behold, the Lord's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save; neither his ear heavy, that it cannot hear: 2 But your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid his face from you, that he will not hear. (Isaiah 59:1-2)

Come now, and let us reason together, saith the Lord: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool. (Isaiah 1:18)

References:

James 4:7-8

Matthew 3:11

Mark 16:15-16

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36 And it came to pass at the time of the offering of the evening sacrifice, that	
Elijah the prophet came near, and said, Lord God of Abraham, Isaac,	
and of Israel, let it be known this day	
that thou art God in Israel, and that I am thy servant, and that I have	
done all these things at thy word. 37 Hear me, O Lord, hear me, that this	
people may know that thou art the Lord God, and that thou hast turned their	
heart back again. (1 Kings 18:36-37)	
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If God is	
going to answer us,	
we will need to pray and ask God.	
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7 Ask, and it shall be given you;
seek, and ye shall find;
knock, and it shall be opened
unto you:
8 For every one
that asketh receiveth;
and he that seeketh findeth;
and to him that knocketh
it shall be opened.
(Matthew 7:7-8)

And it shall come to pass, that before they call, I will answer; and while they are yet speaking, I will hear. (Isaiah 65:24)

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If ye shall ask any thing in my name, I will do *it.* (John 14:14)

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answer us,	
His answer will begin with	
His consuming fire.	

References:

1 Corinthians 3:12-15

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38 Then Peter said unto them,
Repent, and be baptized every one
of you in the name of Jesus Christ
for the remission of sins,
and ye shall receive
the gift of the Holy Ghost.
39 For the promise is unto you, and
to your children, and to all that are
afar off, even as many as the Lord
our God shall call. (Acts 2:38-39)

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Concluding Scripture:

1 And when
the day of Pentecost
was fully come,
they were all
with one accord
in one place.
[Acts 2:1]

Concluding Scripture:

2 And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting.

[Acts 2:2]

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Concluding Scripture:

3 And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them.
[Acts 2:3]

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Concluding Scripture:

4 And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

(Acts 2:1-4)

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