

Growth Group Questions

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Read **1 Kings 18:16-46**

1. According to verse 21, what is Israel's problem?¹ In what ways is this also our problem?
2. Verses 36-37 are very important. How do they explain what is going on in this whole passage?
3. What is the point of verses 25-29? Is there any application here for us?
4. What is the significance of the altar that Elijah builds (verses 30-32)? What was God trying to tell his people?
5. How does the fire from heaven display both God's *glory* and *mercy*?
6. In verses 41-46, God fulfills his promise from back in verse 1. He is the God who sends spectacular fire and ordinary rain. Why might it be important for us to remember this?
7. Spend some time sharing what you will take away from this passage. How does it challenge you? How does it encourage you?

Close with a time of prayer. Perhaps you could echo Elijah's prayer in vv36-37.

If you have spare time: What's going on in verse 40? (see Deuteronomy 13)
What does this verse teach us about God? What does it teach us about ourselves?

¹ The ESV provides a more literal translation of this verse; see also verse 26.