

Choose Wisely 1 Kings 17-18

1. No <u>rain</u> – but God still provides.

2. No <u>choice</u> – but the living God.

Challenges:

- 1. Get off the fence.
- 2. Rebuild the altar.

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MY APPLICATION

Use the following questions this week to reflect on what it would mean to align yourself with the truths taught in Scripture. Each question is meant for both personal reflection and as a catalyst for discussion with your family, friends, or small group.

- 1. Would you describe yourself as a decisive person? Why is choosing so hard in the culture we live in? How do you approach setting your priorities?
- Elijah was called to help the nation of Israel see the need to choose the One True God over the false god Baal. What are some of the false "gods" that are worshiped in our households today?
- 3. Read 1 Kings 18:16-21. What was the problem and the challenge facing the people of Israel? As you think about following God with a full commitment of your time, talents, and treasures, what are some of the competing "gods" that tempt you to give some of your energy to?
- 4. Elijah had to rebuild the neglected altar before God would show up by his demonstration of fire on Mt. Carmel. Read 1 Kings 18:30-39. Are there any areas of your life where the altar of your heart for God has become neglected and needs to be rebuilt? Take some time to pray for each other.

Memory Verse

Elijah went before the people and said, "How long will you waver between two opinions? If the Lord is God, follow him; but if Baal is God, follow him."