

## Which God Do You Serve?

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Read 1 Kings 17 - 19

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•	False gods promise what only the true God delivers.
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	God doesn't want to be to a
	<sup>17</sup> When he saw Elijah, Ahab said, "Is that you, you troublemaker of Israel?" <sup>18</sup> Elijah answered, "I haven't troubled Israel. You and your father's family have done it by disobeying the LORD'S commands and following the various Baal gods."  1 Kings 18:17-18 (GW)
	• What is your god?
2.	There comes a point when we must choose
	Order all Israel to gather around me on Mount Carmel. And bring the 450 prophets of Baal and 400 prophets of Asherah who eat at Jezebel's table." 20 Ahab sent word to all the Israelites and brought the prophets together on Mount Carmel. 21 Elijah stood up in front of all the people and asked them, "How long will you try to have it both ways? If the LORD is God, follow him; if Baal is God, follow him." The people didn't say a word.
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	<sup>24</sup> "You call on the name of your gods, but I will cal

by fire is the real God." All the people answered, "That's fine." 1 Kings 18:24 (GW) The <sup>26</sup> They took the bull he gave them, prepared it, and called on the name of Baal from morning until noon. They said, "Baal, answer us!" But there wasn't a sound or an answer. So they danced around the altar they had made. 27 At noon Elijah started to make fun of them. "Shout louder, since he is a god. Maybe he's thinking, relieving himself, or traveling! Maybe he's sleeping, and you have to 1 Kings 18:26-27 (GW) wake him!" <sup>36</sup> When it was time to offer the sacrifice, the prophet Elijah stepped forward. He said, "LORD God of Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, make known today that you are God in Israel and that I'm your servant and have done all these things by your instructions. <sup>37</sup> Answer me. LORD! Answer me! 1 Kings 18:36-37a The Lord God Almighty's Greatest Desire God wants our back. ".... Then these people will know that you, LORD, are God and that you are winning back their hearts." 1 Kings 18:37b My Next Step Today Is To: Begin a relationship with God today by trusting my life to Jesus. Confess my false god of \_\_\_\_\_\_.
Make up my mind today to put/keep God #1 in my life.