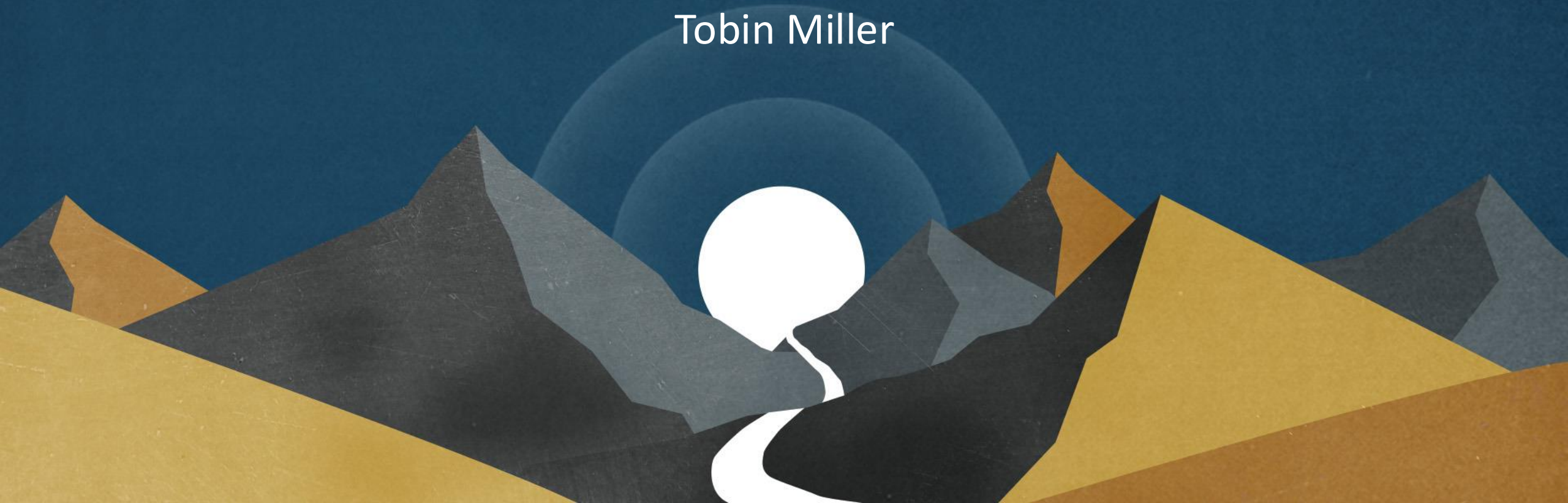




SUMMIT

Lesson 8: 1 Kings 17-19

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Remember why we study the Bible?

We study the Bible not to complete a task or to memorize the Bible.

The goal is NOT to memorize the Bible, the goal is to fall in love with Jesus.

The Bible is an arrow that points to the Savior... our passion should be for the Savior.

The purpose of Bible study is to give us enough knowledge to flee to Christ.
(a mirror vs. a pair of binoculars)

And after every study we should be asking ourselves, how did that time make me think of the Lord differently, love Him more, and pursue Him further.

The Goal is to Be with Jesus...

The Prophets

They were people who had a radical encounter with God's presence, and they were commissioned to speak on the Lord's behalf to His people.

Their messages were of Warning/Judgment & Hope

They :

- *Reminded people of their partnership with God — The Covenant
- *Showed the people when they were breaking the covenant
- *Called the people to repent and change (repent, believe, obey).
- *Talked about the consequences for breaking the covenant
- ***ABOVE ALL, they remind US that We can TRUST GOD!**

1 Kings 17... 3 lessons you must
eventually learn on your spiritual
journey.

1 Kings 17:1-7 (NASB)

17¹Now Elijah the Tishbite, who was of the settlers of Gilead, said to Ahab, “As the LORD, the God of Israel lives, before whom I stand, surely there shall be neither dew nor rain these years, except by my word.”

[Deut. 11:16-17]

²The word of the LORD came to him, saying, ³“Go away from here and turn eastward, and hide yourself by the brook Cherith, which is east of the Jordan. ⁴It shall be that you will drink of the brook, and I have commanded the ravens to provide for you there.” ⁵So he went and did according to the word of the LORD, for he went and lived by the brook Cherith, which is east of the Jordan. ⁶The ravens brought him bread and meat in the morning and bread and meat in the evening, and he would drink from the brook. ⁷It happened after a while that the brook dried up, because there was no rain in the land.

1 Kings 17:1-7

Lesson 1: God is enough...

1 Kings 17:8-16 (NASB)

⁸Then the word of the LORD came to him, saying, ⁹“Arise, go to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and stay there; behold, I have commanded a widow there to provide for you.” ¹⁰So he arose and went to Zarephath, and when he came to the gate of the city, behold, a widow was there gathering sticks; and he called to her and said, “Please get me a little water in a jar, that I may drink.”

¹¹As she was going to get *it*, he called to her and said, “Please bring me a piece of bread in your hand.” ¹²But she said, “As the LORD your God lives, I have no bread, only a handful of flour in the bowl and a little oil in the jar; and behold, I am gathering a few sticks that I may go in and prepare for me and my son, that we may eat it and die.” ¹³Then Elijah said to her, “Do not fear; go, do as you have said, but make me a little bread cake from it first and bring *it* out to me, and afterward you may make *one* for yourself and for your son. ¹⁴For thus says the LORD God of Israel, ‘The bowl of flour shall not be exhausted, nor shall the jar of oil be empty, until the day that the LORD sends rain on the face of the earth.’” ¹⁵So she went and did according to the word of Elijah, and she and he and her household ate for *many* days.

¹⁶The bowl of flour was not exhausted nor did the jar of oil become empty, according to the word of the LORD which He spoke through Elijah.

1 Kings 17:8-16

Lesson 2: God promises to provide for me...

1 Kings 17:17-24 (NASB)

¹⁷ Now it came about after these things that the son of the woman, the mistress of the house, became sick; and his sickness was so severe that there was no breath left in him.

¹⁸ So she said to Elijah, “What do I have to do with you, O man of God? You have come to me to bring my iniquity to remembrance and to put my son to death!” ¹⁹ He said to her, “Give me your son.” Then he took him from her bosom and carried him up to the upper room where he was living, and laid him on his own bed. ²⁰ He called to the LORD and said, “O LORD my God, have You also brought calamity to the widow with whom I am staying, by causing her son to die?” ²¹ Then he stretched himself upon the child three times, and called to the LORD and said, “O LORD my God, I pray You, let this child’s life return to him.”

²² The LORD heard the voice of Elijah, and the life of the child returned to him and he revived. ²³ Elijah took the child and brought him down from the upper room into the house and gave him to his mother; and Elijah said, “See, your son is alive.” ²⁴ Then the woman said to Elijah, “Now I know that you are a man of God and that the word of the LORD in your mouth is truth.”

1 Kings 17:17-24

Lesson 3: The resurrection shows that I can trust God in the dark, overwhelming times...

Points to Ponder:

- Which of the lessons that Elijah was being taught in 1 Kings 17 do you most resonate with today on your journey? (God is enough, He will provide, I can trust him in the difficult times.)
- When was the last time you were aware of the Lord speaking to you and how did you react?
- In light of today's passage, is there anything you need to confess and repent of to the Lord in how you see the Lord in your life?