

## Unlikely Heroes: Elijah - A Man Like Us Depending On God's Grace and Power -

**James 5:17-18** - *Elijah was as human as we are, and yet when he prayed earnestly that no rain would fall, none fell for three and a half years! Then, when he prayed again, the sky sent down rain and the earth began to yield its crops.*

### ELIJAH: A MAN JUST LIKE US

In his letter, James reminds us that, "Elijah was a man just like us." Identifying with Elijah is often hard for us to believe when we read the dramatic events of his story. But the mighty acts of God in his life were not due to Elijah's goodness and power but God's greatness and might.

**Like us, Elijah suffered with anxiety, despair, unbelief, weakness, loneliness, and want. But by living a life of persevering faith and dependence on God's grace, power and presence, God used him to confront the wayward and display God's glory and truth.**

**1. Unlikely heroes depend on God's greatness and power.** *1 Kings 18:1-46*

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**2. Unlikely heroes persevere in their faith even when the outcome is not what we expect it to be.** *1 Kings 19:1-8*

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**3. Unlikely heroes get back up by the power of God in response to his Word.** *1 Kings 19:9-19*

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### Next Week's Reading Guide:

Esther 1  
Esther 2  
Esther 3-4  
Esther 5  
Esther 6-7  
Esther 8  
Esther 9-10

### Discussion Questions:

1. If you could have one super power what would you want to have?
2. If you could perform one biblical miracle which one would you want to perform?
3. Share about a time that you have been disappointed in your faith because things didn't happen like you hoped they would?
4. What could God be wanting to do in your "wilderness" that you might be missing out on?
5. Read Romans 8:35-37. What is the promise made here to us? How will you respond to this promise?