

Sermon Outline for August 26, 2007

Spiritual Champions "Hurdles" 1 Kings 19:1-16

"Now Ahab told Jezebel everything Elijah had done and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword." (v. 1)

"So Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah to say, 'May the gods deal with me, be it ever so severely, if by this time tomorrow I do not make your life like one of them.'" (v. 2)

FIRST MISTAKE: HE FOCUSED ON HIS _____ RATHER THAN THE _____.

"Elijah was afraid and ran for his life. When he came to Beersheba in Judah, he left his servant there, while he himself went a day's journey into the desert. He came to a broom tree, sat down under it and prayed that he might die. 'I have had enough, Lord,' he said." (vs. 3-4)



SECOND MISTAKE: HE _____ HIMSELF TO OTHERS.

"Take my life; I am no better than my ancestors." (v. 4)

THIRD MISTAKE: HE _____ THE _____.

"I have been very zealous for the Lord God Almighty. The Israelites have rejected your covenant, broken down your altars, and put your prophets to death with the sword. I am the only one left, and now they are trying to kill me too." (v. 10)



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ONE: WE NEED TO TAKE _____ OF OUR _____
_____.

"Then he lay down under the tree and fell asleep. All at once an angel touched him and said, 'Get up and eat.' He looked around, and there by his head was a cake of bread baked over hot coals, and a jar of water. He ate and drank and then lay down again. The angel of the Lord came back a second time and touched him and said, 'Get up and eat, for the journey is too much for you.' So he got up and ate and drank." (vs. 5-7)

TWO: WE NEED TO SEEK A FRESH _____ OF GOD'S _____
IN OUR LIVES.

"The Lord said, 'Go and stand on the mountain in the presence of the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by.' Then a great and powerful wind tore the mountain apart and shattered the rocks before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind. After the earthquake came a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire. And after the fire came a gentle whisper. When Elijah heard it, he pulled his cloak over his face and went out and stood at the mouth of the cave." (vs. 11-13)

THREE: WE NEED A NEW _____ AND _____ FOR OUR LIVES.

*"The Lord said to him, 'Go back the way you came, and go to the Desert of Damascus'"
(v. 15)*

