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Elijah



Ahab was a king of Israel who married a very evil woman called Jezebel. She led the king and most of the people of Israel away from God to worship an idol called Baal. She had many of God's prophets killed.



God's prophet Elijah went to king Ahab, and told him to gather all of Israel, together with the false prophets, on mount Carmel. Each group would prepare to sacrifice a young bull to their god. The false prophets would pray to Baal and Elijah would pray to the Lord God. The god who would send fire down from heaven to light the fire on the altar would be the true God. So it was agreed.



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The false prophets prayed for Baal to send fire but no fire came. Elijah told them to shout louder, maybe Baal was busy or sleeping. They cried out and cut themselves, but no fire came.



Elijah 4/5

At the evening time, Elijah called the people around while he repaired and finished building the Lord's altar. Three times he let them pour water on the wood and the sacrifice. Elijah prayed to the Lord and God sent down fire from Heaven to burn up the bullock the altar and the water.



Elijah 5/5

When the people saw it, they fell on their faces and said "The Lord, He is the God". Elijah had all the false prophets taken away and killed.