

Know The Principles Of Spiritual Success!

Navigating Life's Journey, Pt. 4

1 Kings 18-19
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Psalm 37:4, *Delight yourself in the LORD; And He will give you the desires of your heart.*

Five Principles For Success:

1. Know What It Takes For Spiritual VICTORY

(1 Kings 18:17-19)

- **Elijah Identified The Real Problem, Issued A Bold Challenge And Exhibited GREAT FAITH**
(1 Kings 18:36-37)

2. Acknowledge Your Fear And FAILURES

1 Kings 19:1, *Now Ahab told Jezebel everything Elijah had done and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. ²So 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 that of one of them." ³Elijah was afraid and ran for his life.*

(2 Timothy 1:7; Psalm 37:23)

3. Answer God's Question: Where Are You SPIRITUALLY?

1 Kings 19:11, *The Lord said, "Go out 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 mountains apart and shattered the rocks before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind. After the wind there was an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake. ¹²After the earthquake came a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire. And*

after the fire came a gentle whisper. ¹³When Elijah heard it, he pulled his cloak over his face and went out and stood at the mouth of the cave. Then a voice said to him, "What are you doing here, Elijah?"

(Psalm 119:71,145:14)

4. Realize There Are Many Others JUST LIKE YOU

1 Kings 19:14, *Elijah replied, "I have been very zealous for the Lord God Almighty. The Israelites have rejected Your covenant, torn 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." ¹⁵The Lord said to him, "Go back the way you came... ¹⁸Yet I reserve seven thousand in Israel—all whose knees have not bowed down to Baal and whose mouths have not kissed him."*

(Psalm 40:2)

5. Let Your Faith Impact SOMEONE ELSE

(1 Kings 19:19-20; Deuteronomy 31:8)

Cottonwood Creek Challenge:

- Ask God, "What do You want me to do for You?"
- Ask God, "What failure do I need to get over?"
- Ask God, "Who does He want you to lead spiritually?"
- Every Thursday, for the next 2 weeks from 12:00p – 1:00p, we will have a time for fasting and prayer in the Game Plan Center. If you can't come, follow my social media page and pray through the scriptures at home or at the office.