

Elijah on Mount Carmel.

Key words

God: (Hallelujah! (sing as from Hallelujah chorus, and raise hands)

Elijah: the prophet.

Baal: Hiss.

Carmel: Oooo that's high!

Sacrifice: Sniff, smells like breakfast!

Fire: Buuffff!

God (Hallelujah) told Elijah (the prophet) to go to Mount Carmel (Oooo, that's high!). There he would meet the prophets of Baal (hiss) and they would each try to offer a sacrifice (Sniff, Smells like breakfast); but they would not light the fire (Buuffff!). Elijah (the prophet) would pray to God (Hallelujah) and the prophets of Baal (hiss) would pray to Baal (hiss) and they would see which one would send fire (buuffff!) down from heaven to burn up the sacrifices (sniff, smells like breakfast).

So Elijah (the prophet) went up Mount Carmel (Oooo, that's high) and got his sacrifice (sniff, smells like breakfast) ready. Along came hundreds of the prophets of Baal (hiss) and got their sacrifice (sniff, smells like breakfast) ready as well. When people heard what was happening they all climbed Mount Carmel (Oooo that's high) to see who would win. God (Hallelujah) or Baal (hiss).

"You go first," said Elijah (the prophet) to the prophets of Baal (hiss). So they started to call out and dance and sing and yell to Baal (hiss), asking him to send fire (Buuffff!) down to burn the sacrifice (Sniff, smells like breakfast). But nothing happened.

Elijah (the Prophet) said: "shout louder! Baal (hiss) might be a bit deaf, or away on a journey, or tired and asleep, or locked in the toilet! Shout louder!" So they did. The prophets of Baal (hiss) screamed as loud as they could. But still Baal (hiss) did not send any fire (buuffff!) to burn their sacrifice (sniff, smells like breakfast).

Elijah (the prophet) stood up and prayed to God (Hallelujah): "O God (Hallelujah) hear my prayer and answer me so that everyone will know that you are God (Hallelujah)." Suddenly there was a flash and a crash and a boom and a bang and fire (buuffff!) came crashing down from the sky and burned up the sacrifice (sniff, smells like breakfast).

The prophets of Baal (hiss) were terrified and went running down mount Carmel (Oooo that's high) when they saw how powerful God (Hallelujah) really was. But Elijah (the prophet) caught up with them and gave them what for!

God (Hallelujah) had shown his power by sending fire (buuffff!) to burn up the sacrifice (sniff, smells like breakfast) and Baal (hiss) had been shown to be useless once and for all.

But did the people learn the lesson of Mount Carmel (Oooo that's high)? Did they turn away from Baal (hiss) and turn to God (Hallelujah)? Not a bit of it! In no time at all they turned away from God (Hallelujah) and started making sacrifices (sniff, smells like breakfast) to Baal (hiss) once again. Poor Elijah (the prophet) what was he to do!

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