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"Elijah: Holy intolerance"

What Made Elijah a Faith-Action Hero?

- 1. Elijah cares about what God cares about; he had a holy intolerance over what God could not tolerate and hated what God hates.** *1 Kings 16: 29-33; 1 Kings 17:1*
- 2. Elijah placed God first and did what God told him to do. He refused to compromise his godly values, he stood up for the truth and for God even though it was dangerous for him. He was fully committed to the purposes of God in his life.** *1 Kings 18:16-26*
- 3. Elijah allowed God to lead him to a position that was entirely dependent on God coming through.** He met the pagan priests on their ground, and even increased the degree of difficulty so that there would be no question his deliverance came from God.
1 Kings 18: 27-35
- 4. Elijah knew where his faith-action power came from, and when the time was right, he activated it.** We can activate the same faith-action power he had; prayer is the power-activator. *1 Kings 18:36-40; James 1:5*
- 5. Elijah didn't stop to rest after winning one battle.** He persevered in faith-action prayer until he saw God come through with everything He had promised. *1 Kings 18:41-46*

How Can I be a Faith-Action Hero Like Elijah?

- 1. Be a modern day faith-action hero by standing up for God, speaking the truth in love and helping people grow up in Christ.** *Romans 1:16a; Ephesians 4:14*
- 2. Be a modern day faith-action hero by activating the power of God in your life and others through power-activating prayer.** *James 5:13-16; Philippians 4:6*

Discussion Questions:

1. Is there anything you have a holy intolerance over? What is it?
2. What, if anything, do you think God would want you to do about it?
3. Have you ever put yourself at risk in order to stand up for truth or do what is right?
4. What situation or circumstance have you prayed about the most in the last year?