

We learn about Elijah and Elisha in 1 and 2 Kings. Watch <u>this video</u> for background and insight into both books.

SCRIPTURE: 1 Kings 18:1-19

1. BELONG

This section isn't filler, but an intentional time to slow down and assess how people are doing in their personal and spiritual lives. Feel free to change the questions, but the point is to truly sit in this moment to allow time and space for encouraging spiritual connection.

- A. Where have you been spending time in God's Word on your own?
- B. Is there an area in which you struggle to trust God?
- C. Can you describe a time when you stepped out in faith despite fear?

2. DISCOVER – Read 1 Kings 18:1-19 together.

This section is all about discovering and unpacking the Word together. **Remember that you aren't the master teacher, but the lead facilitator.** Be an active listener as people respond to the text. Ask them follow up questions. Help the group think through what they're saying and how it applies to them spiritually.

- A. Think back to Brad's message on this passage. What points or illustrations come to mind?
- B. What does this passage teach us about God?
 - Can you think of any other passages in Scripture that support this truth?
- C. How does this passage point us to Jesus?
 - Does it remind you of Jesus in any way? Things He did? Spoke? Modeled?
- D. What truth(s) does this passage teach us about ourselves?
 - In what ways do our lives reflect the teaching of this passage? In what ways do they differ?
 - Can you think of any other passages in Scripture that support this truth?

3. APPLY

Take time to apply the text. Once we hear truth, we are called to live it out. If we just sit and talk about information, we won't experience transformation. This section is about self-reflection and helping one another be accountable to live out what we're learning.

- A. Is there anything I need to believe about God or change about myself based on what we've talked about?
- B. Talk through ways to help one another in these areas.

4. **PRAY**

Petition the Lord together as you close out your group time with outward-focused prayer. How might the truths in these Scriptures impact the way you live your life and make a spiritual difference in the lives of others?

- A. Share names of people in your life who don't know Jesus with whom you are looking for gospelopportunities.
- B. Share prayer needs and pray for one another as a group.