

ELIJAH: THE MAN & HIS MISSION
(James 5:16-17; 1 Kings 17:1)

James 5:16-18

II. The Context for The Man & His Mission (1Kings 17)

C. The Man

3. **Personally:** Who was this man? (17:1)

d. He was a “ _____, of the inhabitants of _____ ” (17:a) (see map)

e. 1 Kings 19:10 tells us of His attitude as he stood before God on Mt. Horeb... “ *I have been very _____ for the Lord God of hosts*”

- What does this mean?

f. His name is Elijah meaning... “God is my _____” or “My God is _____ or _____”

- His name emphasized his _____....
- Was Elijah some super-duper miracle worker? (cf James 5:16)

4. **Historically:** Where does Elijah fit into Israel’s history?

a. Israel as a nation is _____!

b. Jeroboam led the northern federation _____ Judah & Jerusalem, Israel’s worship center for God’s truth, resulting in a spiritual _____ into apostasy allowing _____ to be a reality in most of Israel!

c. All the kings in Israel following Jeroboam have _____ into sin & idolatry and have been an _____ to the Lord!

d. **1 Samuel 2:30** ³⁰ "Therefore the LORD God of Israel says: 'Far be it from Me; for those who _____ Me I will _____, and those who _____ Me shall be _____.

Psalm 107:1-8, 31-34

- e. From Jeroboam to Omri there has been a repeated theme going on in Israel...
_____, _____, & blatant _____!

2 Chronicles 16:9

- f. So a new man comes to the throne in Israel, he is King _____, the son of Omri (16:28)
- What does God tell us about King Ahab to set the stage for our story?
 - h. Ahab did _____ in the sight of the Lord _____ that we before him (16:30)
 - i. Ahab _____ in the _____ of Jeroboam (16:31a)
 - j. Ahab then took as his wife _____, the daughter of a pagan king! (16:31b)
 - k. Ahab went & served _____ & worshipped him (16:31c)
 - l. Ahab built a _____ for Baal worship in his capital city, Samaria.
 - m. He made a wooden _____ for the people to _____.
 - n. Summary statement: “Ahab did more to _____ or _____ the Lord God of Israel than did _____ the kings of Israel before Him!”

D. His mission

His mission was 3 fold...& it was in accord with James 5:19-20... He was ...

- 4) To _____ the problem within the nation _____, so as to turn the people of Israel back to _____ in Jehovah God!
- 5) To _____ them from divine _____ & a _____ existence as God's covenant people
- 6) To cover a _____!