

ELIJAH



THE MAN ON THE MOUNTAIN AND THE POWER OF GOD

¹ NOW ELIJAH THE TISHBITE, OF TISHBE IN GILEAD, SAID TO AHAB, “AS THE LORD, THE GOD OF ISRAEL, LIVES, BEFORE WHOM I STAND, THERE SHALL BE NEITHER DEW NOR RAIN THESE YEARS, EXCEPT BY MY WORD.” ² AND THE WORD OF THE LORD CAME TO HIM: ³ “DEPART FROM HERE AND TURN EASTWARD AND HIDE YOURSELF BY THE BROOK CHERITH, WHICH IS EAST OF THE JORDAN. ...

1 KINGS 17:1-7

**4 YOU SHALL DRINK FROM THE BROOK, AND I HAVE
COMMANDED THE RAVENS TO FEED YOU THERE.” 5 SO HE WENT
AND DID ACCORDING TO THE WORD OF THE LORD. HE WENT AND
LIVED BY THE BROOK CHERITH THAT IS EAST OF THE
JORDAN. 6 AND THE RAVENS BROUGHT HIM BREAD AND MEAT
IN THE MORNING, AND BREAD AND MEAT IN THE EVENING, AND
HE DRANK FROM THE BROOK. 7 AND AFTER A WHILE THE
BROOK DRIED UP, BECAUSE THERE WAS NO RAIN IN THE LAND.**

1 KINGS 17:1-7

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**WHAT KIND OF
PERSON DOES
GOD USE?**

1. STRANGERS FROM TISHBE



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2. CONSPIRATORS IN CHERITH



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1. STRANGERS FROM TISHBE



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1 KINGS 17:1



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**“A STRANGER OF
STRANGERS” IN GILEAD**

**“A STRANGER AND
SOJOURNER” THROUGH GILEAD**

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PAREPEDIMOS

SIDEWAYS WALKER



The

PILGRIM'S
PROGRESS

From This World to That Which Is to Come

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A person wearing a dark, hooded cloak stands on a rocky mountain peak, looking out over a misty, mountainous landscape. The scene is framed by large, white, block letters spelling 'ELIAH'. The background shows a vast, hazy mountain range under a cloudy sky. The overall mood is contemplative and majestic.

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**“O GOD, YOU HAVE BEEN OUR DWELLING
PLACE THROUGH ALL GENERATIONS.”**

PSALM 90:1



**GOD USES BEST THOSE WHO
KNOW THEY ARE ONLY
PASSING THROUGH.**

2. CONSPIRATORS IN CHERITH



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IS EAST OF THE JORDAN. YOU SHALL DRINK FROM
THE BROOK, AND I HAVE COMMANDED THE
RAVENS TO FEED YOU THERE.

1 KINGS 17:3-4

**THE EYE THAT MOCKS A FATHER
AND SCORNS TO OBEY A MOTHER
WILL BE PICKED OUT BY THE RAVENS OF THE VALLEY
AND EATEN BY THE VULTURES.**

PROVERBS 30:17

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“GOD COULD HAVE SENT ANGELS TO MINISTER TO HIM; BUT HE CHOSE WINGED MESSENGERS OF ANOTHER KIND, TO SHOW THAT HE CAN SERVE HIS OWN PURPOSES AS EFFECTUALLY BY THE MEANEST AS BY THE MIGHTIEST CREATURES; ...”

JOSEPH BENSON

**“AND TO GIVE ELIJAH SUCH A PROOF OF HIS POWER
AND CARE IN PROVIDING FOR HIM, AS SHOULD
EFFECTUALLY TEACH HIM TO TRUST IN GOD IN
THOSE MANY AND GREAT DIFFICULTIES TO WHICH
HE WAS TO BE EXPOSED...”**

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A close-up photograph of a tree branch with yellow flowers against a dark blue background. The flowers are in various stages of bloom, with some showing distinct petals and centers. The lighting is warm, highlighting the texture of the petals and the bark of the branch.

**NO CHERITH,
NO CARMEL.**

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3. STAND-INS AT SAMARIA



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**AS THE LORD, THE GOD OF ISRAEL,
LIVES, BEFORE WHOM I STAND,...**

1 KINGS 17:1

“SO THAT THE CONSCIOUSNESS THAT THEY WERE
SERVANTS OF THE LIVING GOD WAS THE VERY SECRET
OF THE POWER OF THESE MEN. THIS EXPRESSION,
WHICH THUS STARTED TO THEIR LIPS IN MOMENTS OF
STRAIN AND TRIAL, LETS US SEE INTO THE VERY
INMOST HEART OF THEIR STRENGTH. ...”

ALEXANDER MCLAREN

“THE SAME GRAND THOUGHT IS AVAILABLE TO BRACE
AND ENNOBLE OUR LITTLE LIVES, THAT WILL SOON BE
FORGOTTEN BUT BY A LOVING HEART OR TWO, AND
YET MAY BE AS FULL OF GOD AND OF GOD’S SERVICE
AS THOSE OF ANY OF THE GREAT OF OLD.

WE TOO MAY USE THIS SECRET OF POWER, ‘THE LORD
LIVETH, BEFORE WHOM I STAND.’”

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BEFORE THEY EVER STAND BEFORE THE WORLD.**

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