

LET IT RAIN!

1 Kings 18:24 "...you call on the name of your god, and I will call on the name of the Lord. The god who answers by fire—he is God."

- I. THE TIME IS 900 B.C., THE PLACE IS MT. CARMEL, AND GOD'S PEOPLE ARE IN DESPERATE NEED OF REVIVAL.

1 Kings 18:21 Elijah went before the people and said, "How long will you waver between two opinions? If the Lord is God, follow him; but if Baal is God, follow him." But the people said nothing.

1 Kings 18:30 Then Elijah said to all the people, "Come here to me." They came to him, and he repaired the altar of the Lord, which had been torn down.

- II. REPAIRING THE LORD'S ALTAR IS A CALL TO PRAYER, ALL REVIVALS HAVE BEGUN IN PRAYER.

2 Chronicles 7:14 If My people who are called by My name will humble themselves, and pray and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land.

- III. THERE'S POWER IN PRAYER, POWER THAT DETERMINES THE ETERNAL DESTINY OF SOULS!

- IV. WHEN GOD'S PEOPLE REALLY PRAY, GOD SENDS HIS FIRE!

1 Kings 18:37-39 "Answer me, Lord, answer me, so these people will know that you, Lord, are God, and that you are turning their hearts back again." Then the fire of the Lord fell and burned up the sacrifice, the wood, the stones and the soil, and also licked up the water in the trench. When all the people saw this, they fell prostrate and cried, "The Lord—he is God! The Lord—he is God!"

Hebrews 12:29 NIV "Our God is a consuming fire."

- V. AFTER HIS CONSUMING FIRE, GOD SENT HIS RAIN.

John 7:37 "Let anyone who is thirsty come to me and drink.

John 7:39 "By this he meant the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were later to receive. Up to that time the Spirit had not been given, since Jesus had not yet been glorified."

John 7:38 Whoever believes in me, as Scripture has said, rivers of living water will flow from within them."

- * ALL OF GOD'S LIFE, POWER, GOODNESS & GLORY IS YOURS FOR THE TAKING.....ALL YOU HAVE TO PRAY IS: "LET IT RAIN!"