

# Elijah the Tishbite

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*Text: "And Elijah the Tishbite, who was of the inhabitants of Gilead, said unto Ahab, As the Lord God of Israel liveth, before whom I stand, there shall not be dew nor rain these years, but according to my word" (I Kings 17:1).*

[Editor's Note: I thought it would be interesting to put up a couple of Rev. Robinson's sermons in original form. Most of them are not in good enough shape to scan like this, but this one works well as a scan. You will see typos and misspelled words and notes penciled in, some of which are illegible. Although he typed many of his sermons, the typewriter he used was quite primitive and makes the copy hard to read, especially with the aging of the paper.]

ELIJAH THE TISHBITE

The exercise of the prophetic ministry was proof of the Nations decline/  
As long as the machinery of the Mosiac economy functioned with vigor there was no need of a prophet.

No provision in the whole Levitical rites for the formation and maintenance of the prophetic ministry.

They were God called, Spirit inspired. *heaven sent Men*

The depth of moral and spiritual decay was matched by the like caliber of the prophet. *NO CONFES*

When God could abide the sins and evils of his people He would send fourth from His quiver a polished shaft to pierce the conscience of the nation.

NEXT TO DAVID AND SOLOMON, Ahab was one of the best known kings of Israel. Not for his righteous rule but for his idolatry and wickedness.

The historian introduces *Elijah* to us as appearing from nowhere. To stand before Ahab, and proclaim a drought.

That is all the old Testament tells us about this mans background.

Then in the new Testament James lets us into the past history of this strange wilderness prophet. He prayed earnestly that it might not rain.

How long he prayed is not told. But somewhere in the Mt of Gilead he hid himself and alone with God he became desperate for for his people.

Like ~~James~~ Jacob wrestling till the break of day and would not give up.

Like Moses ~~was~~ in the mt fastness willing to have his name blotted out of the Book, to spare his nation.

Like Jesus praying ~~for forty~~ days all night for Jerusalem.

Like Paul willing for himself to be accursed for his people.

Basis for his boldness.

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As the Lord God of Israel liveth before whom I stand. there shall be no dew or rain, according to my word.

*The Measure of God in a persons life*  
He was so, lost in his mission until Gods word was his word. In the same sence Paul referred to the Gospel of Christ as MY GOSPEL.

Elija the Tishbite, *IS THE Measure of HIS GREATNESS.*  
Representative of all the Old Testament prophets. He is the embodiment of the mighty messengers of ~~the~~ Jehova to Israel.

In him is magnified all of the great virtues *quotations* that distinguish the prophets of the past.

His hair must have been long and black as a ravens.

His eyes like coals of fire burning their way into the hearts of evil men. *chiel*

His clothing must have been camel skin. *Men said J. B. was*

*The Ages cant forget him.*  
His voice must have been like the sound of many waters.

*The world never gets through with him.*  
I. At the break the Ravens fed him.

II- At the widows heuse the meal never gave out and the oil was always in the cruise.

IV- HIS TRIUMPH COMES ATX CARMEL.

THE REPRESENTATIVE GROUPS HERE APPLIED TO US.

Emergency in Israel.

Ahab calls Obediah and they go out to look for grass

You can tell how far a man is from God when a crisis comes.

AHAB.

He never mentions turning to God.  
Go to the ~~streams~~ fountains and brooks.  
Find ~~walk~~ grass to save the horses and mules alive.

He never mentions God and getting God to help.  
How humiliating. The king of Gods people out looking for Grass. *He Look For Help on The earth.*

He represents the people who thinks any religion is all right. It doesnt matter what you believe, just so you are honest in your belief.

We are fast coming to that state in America.  
Dont be too dogmatic on anything agree on everything  
All religions have their good points and all their bad. Heathen religions, Catholicism, Pretestntism all can get together and be brothers.

Ahab wanting to save his horses. Elija wanting to save the nation for God.

Jezebel  
~~JESEBELL~~ REPRESENTS THAT BELIEF THAT IS HOSTIL TO THE TRUTH.

ATHEISM, Communism. DESTROY EVERYTHING THAT REMINDS ONE OF GOD, TRAIN, BRAINWASH, DESTROY EVERY TRUE CHRISTIAN.

OBADIAH:

REPRESENTS THAT FELLOW WHO NEVER TAKES A STAND, HE IS LIKE THE FELLOW HE IS LAST WITH.  
HE BELIEVES IN GOD AND SERVES THE LORD BUT HE DOES IT IN SECRET. HE SERVES AHAB TOO.  
HADNT YOU HEARD WHAT I DID, HOW I HID ~~100~~ prophets.

ELIJAH.

represents Gods man. come what may, live or die sink or swim. let Ahab and everybody know that I am a man of God.

The CONDITIONS OF THE SHOWDOWN.  
IF the Lord be God serve but if Baal then serve him.

Elija took the initiative.

THE GOD THAT ANSWERS BY FIRE LET HIM BE GOD.  
THE PEOPLE AGREED AND SAID THAT IS WELL.

The common people will be the last to forsake God.

Elija couldnt resist a little Sarcasm, meckery, satyr.

THEN THE SLAYING OF THE PROPHETS OF BAAL.

THE PRAYER FOR RAIN.

THE RACE TO JESREEL

AHAB WENT UP TO EAT AND DRINK AND ELIJA WENT UP TO PRAY.

*He wanted to die like an eagle*  
ELIJA RAN BUT HE DIDNT FEAR DEATH.

HE DIDNT WANT JESEBELL TO MAKE A PUBLIC SPECTACLE OF HIM.

AND DESTROY <sup>more</sup> ALL THAT HE HAD DONE FOR GOD.  
HE WAS INTERESTED IN THE PRESERVATION <sup>of</sup> GOOD NAME OF GOD THAN IN HIS OWN SAFETY.

THE STILL SMALL VOICE AND THE COMMAND TO GO AND ANOINT HAZEL KING OVER ~~SYRIA~~ SYRIA.  
JEHU KING OVER ~~ISA~~ ISRAEL AND ELISHA PROPHET IN HIS ROOM.

*Israel*  
*(His Ride To Hozok)*  
America sent Shepard, an ASTRONAUT  
A few Hundred miles into space +  
brought him back.

*Back* PUT A MAN IN a WHIT  
3000 years ago All the way  
Brought him back

Russian clerics A PENNANT ON A SHIP  
God Sent His man back to earth