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(11) And now you say, Go, tell your lord, See, Elijah *is here*.

(12) And it shall come to pass, *as soon as* I am gone from you, that the Spirit of the LORD {Jehovah} shall carry you where I do not know; and *so* when I come and tell Ahab, and he cannot find you, he shall kill me: but I your servant have feared {revered} the LORD {Jehovah} from my youth.

(13) Was it not told my lord what I did when Jezebel killed the prophets of the LORD {Jehovah}, how I hid one hundred men of the LORD's {Jehovah's} prophets by fifty in a cave, and fed them with bread and water?

(14) And now you say, Go, tell your lord, See, Elijah *is here*: and he shall kill me.

(15) And Elijah said, As the LORD {Jehovah} of hosts {armies} lives, before whom I stand, I will surely show myself to him today.

(16) So Obadiah went to meet Ahab, and told him: and Ahab went to meet Elijah.

(17) And it came to pass, when Ahab saw Elijah, that Ahab said to him, *Are* you he who troubles Israel?

(18) And he answered, I have not troubled Israel; but you, and your father's house, because you have forsaken the commandments of the LORD {Jehovah}, and you have followed Baalim.

(19) Now therefore send, *and* gather to me all Israel to mount Carmel, and the four hundred fifty prophets of Baal, and the four hundred prophets of the groves, who eat at Jezebel's table.

(20) So Ahab sent to all the children of Israel, and gathered the prophets together to mount Carmel.

(21) And Elijah came to all the people, and said, How long will you waver between two opinions? if the LORD {Jehovah} is God, follow Him: but if Baal, *then* follow him. And the people did not answer him a word.

(22) Then Elijah said to the people, I, *even* I only, remain a prophet of the LORD {Jehovah}; but Baal's prophets *are* four hundred fifty men.

(23) Let them therefore give us two bulls; and let them choose one bull for themselves, and cut it in pieces, and lay *it* on wood, and put no fire *under*: and I will dress the other bull, and lay *it* on wood, and put no fire *under*:

(24) And you call on the name of your gods, and I will call on the Name of the LORD {Jehovah}: and the God Who answers by fire, let him be God. And all the people answered and said, It is well spoken.

(25) And Elijah said to the prophets of Baal, Choose for yourselves one bull, and dress *it* first; because you *are* many; and call on the name of your gods, but put no fire *under it*.

(26) And they took the bull which was given them, and they dressed *it*, and called on the name of Baal from morning even until noon, saying, O Baal, hear us. But *there was* no voice, nor any that answered. And they leaped upon the altar which was made.

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(27) And it came to pass at noon, that Elijah mocked them, and said, Cry aloud: because he is a god; either he is talking, or he is pursuing, or he is in a journey, or perhaps he sleeps, and must be awakened.

(28) And they cried aloud, and cut themselves after their manner with knives and lancets, till the blood gushed out upon them.

(29) And it came to pass, when midday was past, and they prophesied until the *time* of the offering of the *evening* sacrifice {3 p.m.}, that *there was* neither voice, nor any to answer, nor any that regarded.

(30) And Elijah said to all the people, Come near to me. And all the people came near to him. And he repaired the altar of the LORD {Jehovah} *that was* broken down.

(31) And Elijah took twelve stones, according to the number of the tribes of the sons of Jacob, to whom the word of the LORD {Jehovah} came, saying, **Israel shall be your name:**

(32) And with the stones he built an altar in the Name of the LORD {Jehovah}: and he made a trench all around the altar, as great as would contain two measures of seed {about 12.5 bushels; 120 gal.; 444 L.}.<sup>a</sup>

(33) And he put the wood in order, and cut the bull in pieces, and laid *him* on the wood, and said, Fill four barrels with water, and pour *it* on the burnt sacrifice, and on the wood.

(34) And he said, Do *it* the second time. And they did *it* the second time. And he said, Do *it* the third time. And they did *it* the third time.

(35) And the water ran all around the altar; and he filled the trench also with water.

(36) And it came to pass at *the time of* the offering of the *evening* sacrifice {3 p.m.}, that Elijah the prophet came near, and said, LORD {Jehovah} God of Abraham, Isaac, and of Israel, let it be known this day that You *are* God in Israel, and *that I am Your* servant, and *that I have done* all these things at Your word.

(37) Hear me, O LORD {Jehovah}, hear me, that this people may know that You *are* the LORD {Jehovah} God, and *that* You have turned their hearts back again.

(38) Then the fire of the LORD {Jehovah} fell, and consumed the burnt sacrifice, and the wood, and the stones, and the dust, and licked up the water that *was* in the trench.

(39) And when all the people saw *it*, they fell on their faces: and they said, The LORD {Jehovah}, He *is* the God; the LORD {Jehovah}, He *is* the God.

(40) And Elijah said to them, Take the prophets of Baal; let not one of them escape. And they took them: and Elijah brought them down to the brook Kishon, and killed them there.

(41) And Elijah said to Ahab, Get yourself up, eat and drink; because *there is* a sound of abundance of rain.

18:32a – measure - homer {cor} [also spelled kor] = 10 ephahs = 222 liters = 6.25 bushels = 240 quarts = about 60 gallons – see [Appendix J: Bible Weights and Measures](#)