



# YOUTH GROUP: DIGITAL EDITION

Understanding the Bible [Online Devotional - Week 8]

*Read 1 Kings 19:1-18 Use these questions to help you further understand this text and apply it to your life. Discuss your answers with your family and/or write them down.*

"Yet I reserve seven thousand in Israel - all whose knees have not bowed down to Baal and whose mouths have not kissed him."

After reading vs. 1-9, how would you describe Elijah's emotional state?

As Elijah is sleeping in the cave, the Lord asks him what he is doing. Elijah responds in verse 10 by saying that he follows the Lord, even though all the other Israelites have rejected him, and that he is the only one left. Does Elijah seem to think that life is going well, or poorly?

But Elijah did not have the full story - in verse 18 we find out that God has reserved a portion of Israel, seven thousand, who are still faithful. In Elijah's eyes, the world is falling apart, but the Lord knows what He is doing.

Are there any ways that during this pandemic, you have felt like Elijah? Alone, frightened, and like the world is falling apart? Just as God had a plan for Elijah and Israel, he has a plan for you and His Church. Do not fear! Put your hope in the Lord, because He has a plan, and it is always good.

Pray and express your fears to the Lord. Ask Him to help you to trust Him even in the midst of this strange time. Give Him thanks for the ways He has already provided for you, and ask Him to help you put your hope in Him and not to despair.

If you have questions or prayer requests reach out to Pastor Chris at 404-915-1919