

Kingdoms of Israel and Judah

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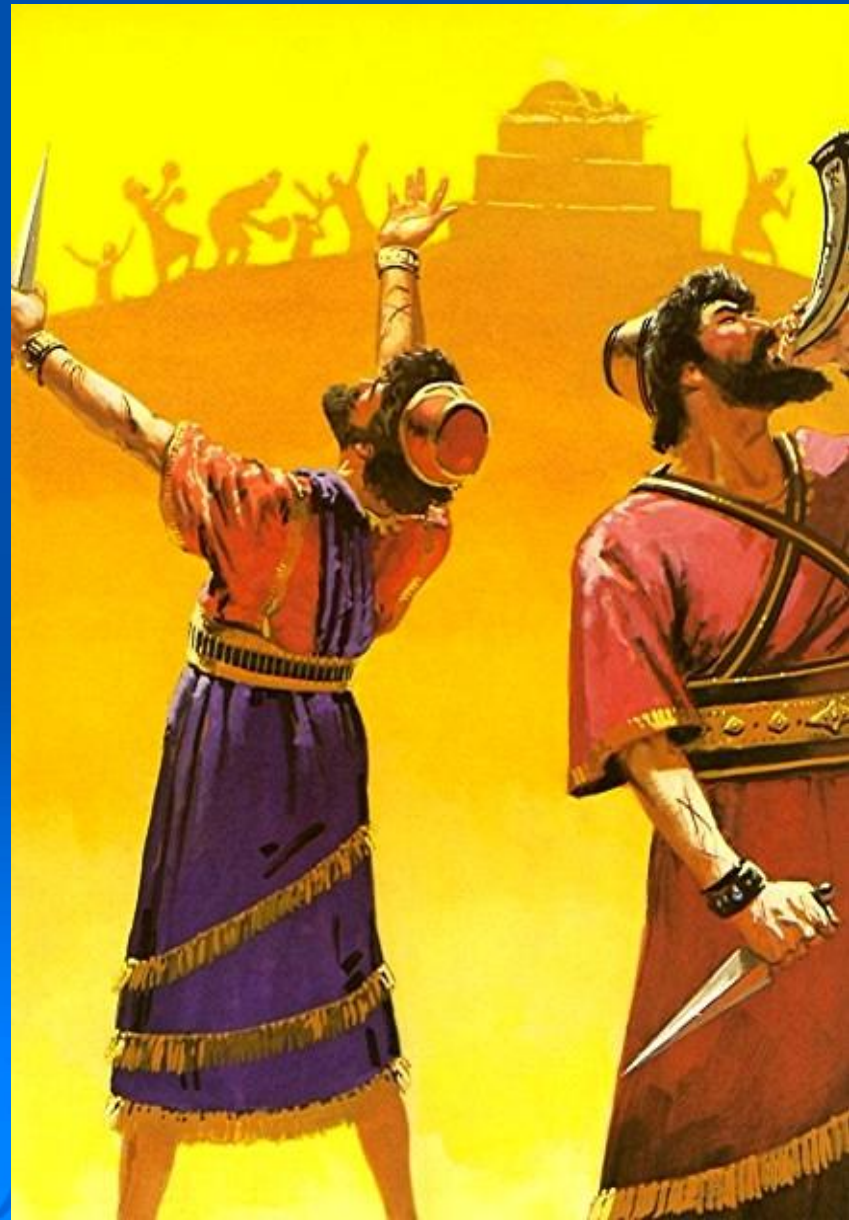


ELIJAH, PROPHET TO ISRAEL

- *Eliyahu* not a prophet to the southern kingdom of Judah
- Israel starting to be known as Ephraim
- King Asa still ruled Judah
- Northern 10 tribes are barred from going to Jerusalem and the Temple
- People of Ephraim/Israel are no longer being taught the Torah, but rather blasphemous teachings by Jezebel's prophets of Ba'al

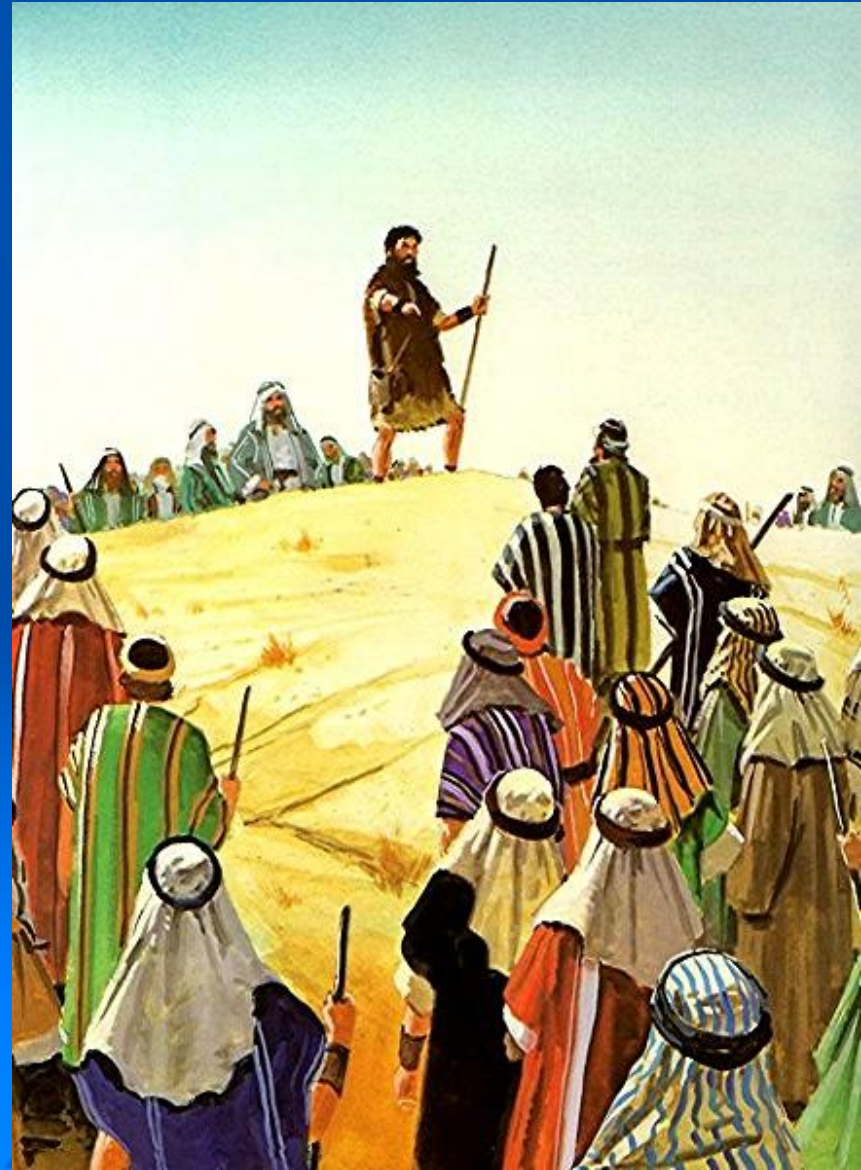
THE TEST ON MT. CARMEL

- 450 prophets of Ba'al
- Israelite clan and tribal leaders, and elders present
- Elijah declared that they can no longer stand in 2 camps, that they must choose
- The test was that the altar fire was to be lit supernaturally
- The Ba'al prophets danced, shouted, cut themselves with knives, but nothing worked

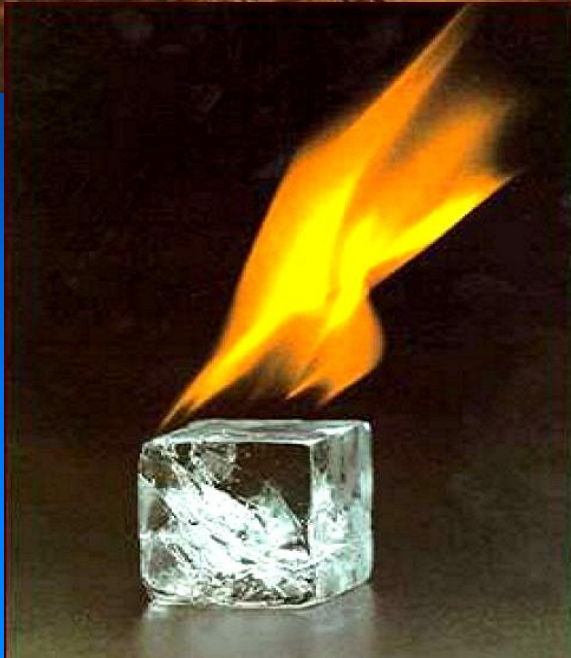


“Come here to me...”

- ***“Come here to me”*** is an invitation to repent, and an invitation to become one of His People
- Very similar to the first 3 chapter of the Book of Revelation
- Messiah Yeshua speaking to the 7 churches of Asia



THE SPIRIT OF JEZEBEL



- Rev. 2:18 – end
- Jezebel is a type, is representative of the spirit of Jezebel
- Divided loyalties
- Messiah says he will destroy the children of Jezebel
- Adultery with Jezebel means in illicit union while also trying to be in union with Messiah
- Rev. 3:14 – 16 ***“you’re neither hot nor cold”***

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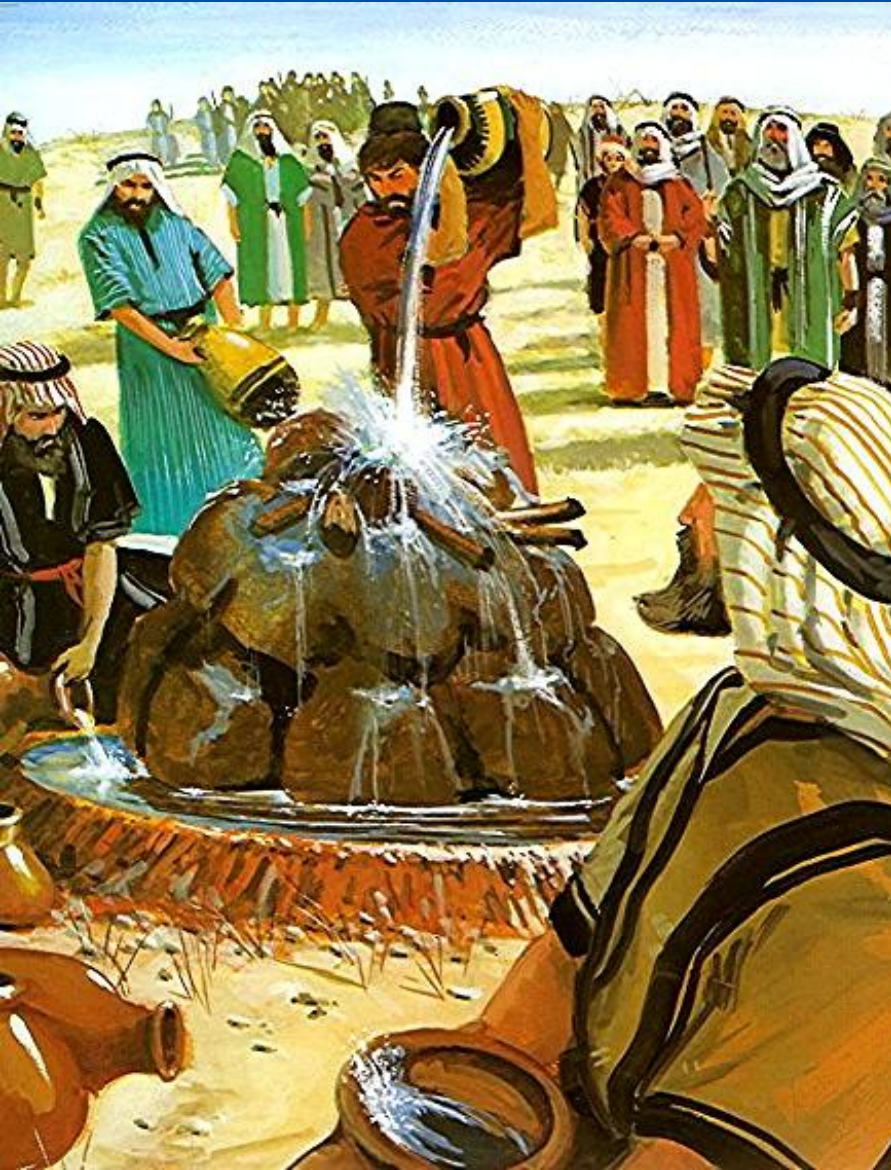


INDECISIVE

**No
Middle
Ground**

- Warning by God through *Eliyahu*, same as warning by God through *Yeshua*
- We deceive ourselves to think we can be in union with Christ AND with sin at the same time
- The church is PEOPLE not buildings or places
- Elijah demanded a black and white choice

NOW IT'S ELIJAH'S TURN



- A broken down altar from ancient times is repaired
- 12 stones were gathered to represent all 12 tribes of Israel
- Water was poured all over the altar and the wood
- 4 jugs X 3 times = 12
- Mayim Chayim = living water
- Water is for cleansing
- Blood is for atonement
- Messiah on the Cross emitted water AND blood from his wounds

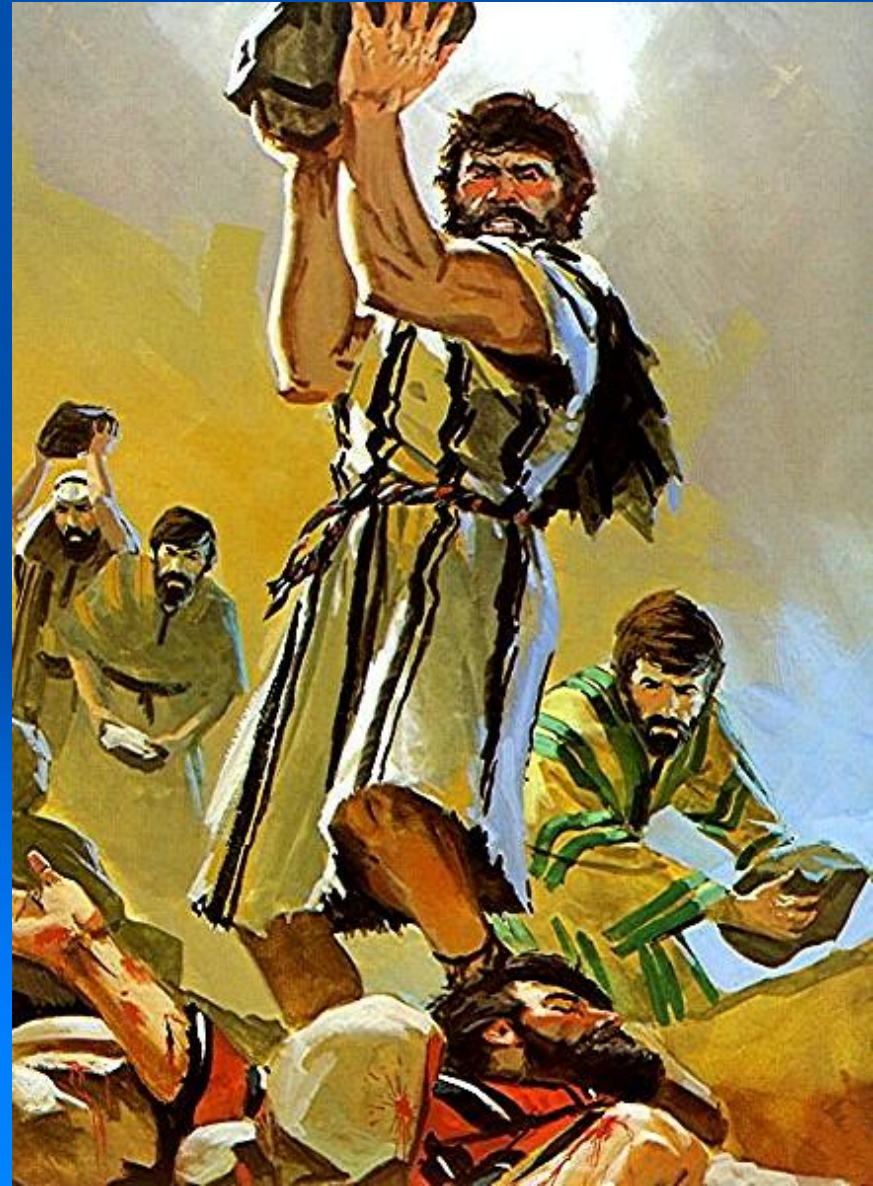


FIRE FELL FROM HEAVEN

- The goal was not God's wrath, but rather God wanted His people to repent !
- Without any phony religious activities, God rained fire down in response to Elijah's prayer
- Everything was consumed including the bull, the wood, the altar and the water

PROPHETS OF BA'AL KILLED

- Elijah led the condemned Ba'al prophets down to the Kishon River
- Deut. 17:2 – 5
- Penalty for worshipping other gods is death
- God said in vs. 1 that He would send rain
- Elijah told Achav (who had been fasting) to eat and drink, because rain was coming



THE RAIN CLOUDS FORM

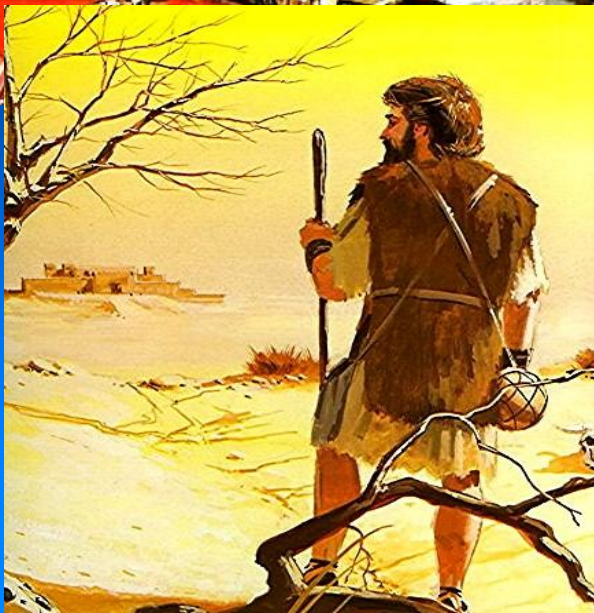
- As Elijah prayed, his servant looked out over the Mediterranean Sea for clouds coming
- 7 times the servant had to go and look, but then he saw one tiny cloud
- Elijah told the king to leave now or his chariot would get stuck in the mud !
- Elijah ran in front of the king's chariot for 15 miles, to the king's estate in Jezreel

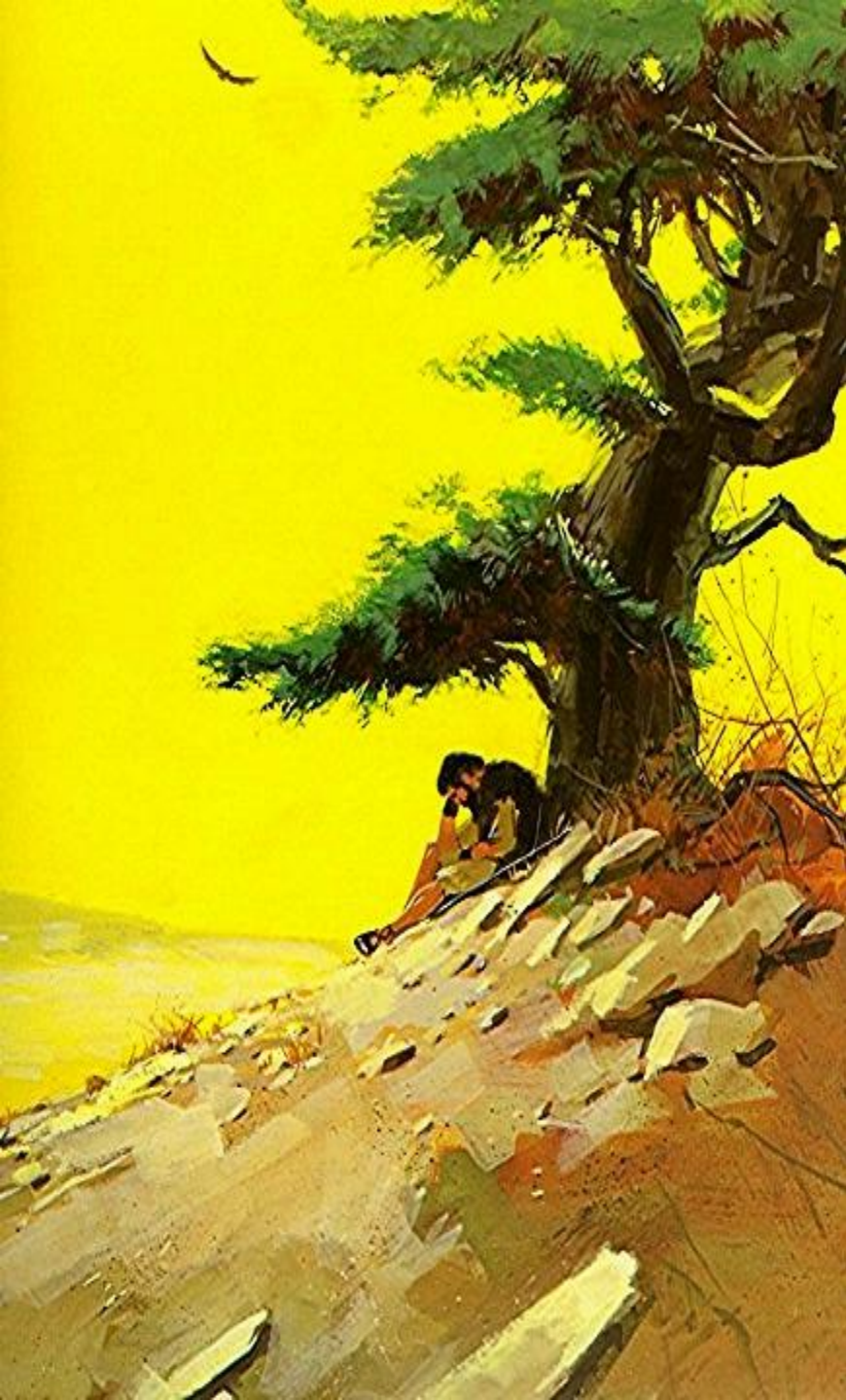


1ST KINGS 19: ELIJAH LEAVES THE MISSION FIELD



- *Achav* told Jezebel all that happened at Carmel and she was furious
- She sent a message to Elijah telling him she would kill him by tomorrow !
- Elijah fled with his servant to Be'er Sheva
- Then he left his servant to venture further south
- Elijah was depressed, despondent, exhausted, afraid, full of doubts, not sure of what his role was with Yehoveh

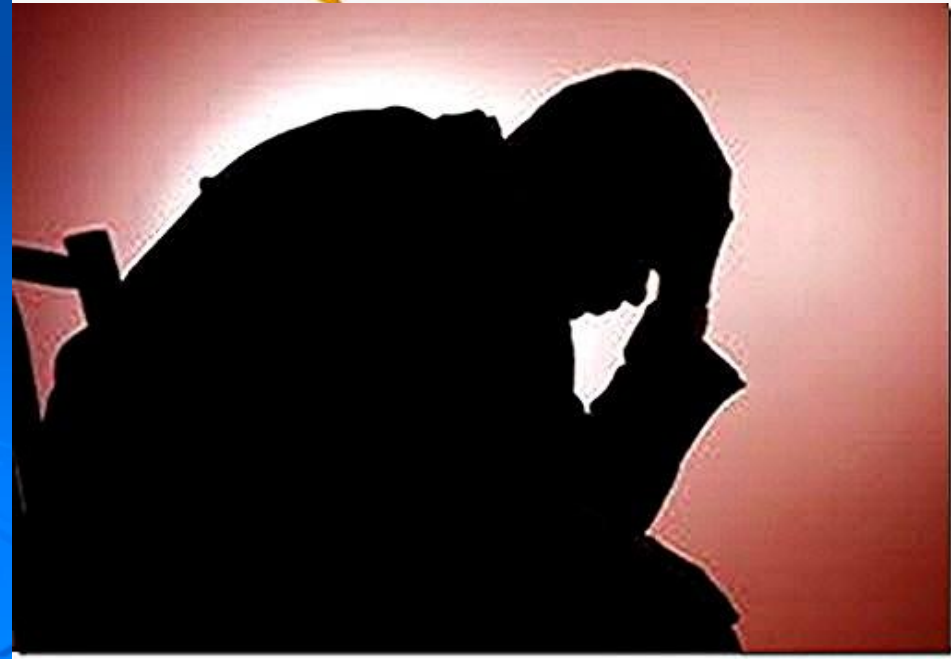
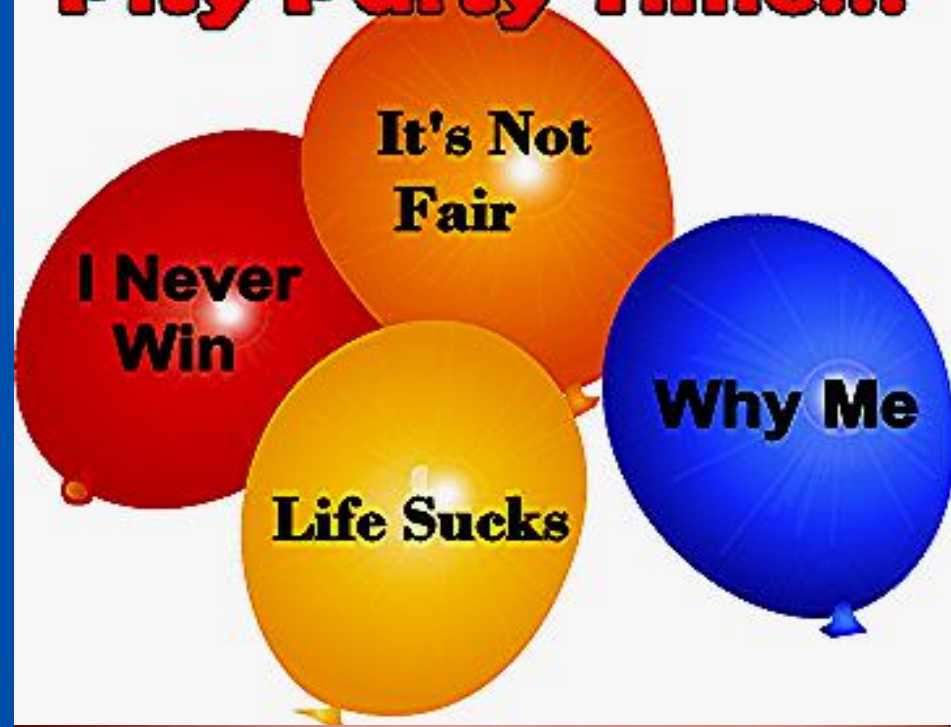




ELIJAH SOUGHT SOLITUDE

- Did Elijah feel so threatened that he left the mission field?
- C.F. Kiel says he wanted solitude to pour out his soul before the Lord
- Just when everything looked so great at Mt. Carmel, now it all felt like failure
- *Eliyahu* begged God to take his life

Pity Party Time!!!



- Using his earthly eyes and carnal mind, Elijah felt he had failed
- As humans we can only occasionally see things as God sees them
- Almost all who have served the Lord in ministry become tired and discouraged at some point
- The Lord responded to Elijah with mercy, but also God could not simply accept *Eliyahu's* decision to leave behind such great gifts and responsibility