

Trust In Uncertainty | 1 Kings 17:1-6

- 1. What do you know about the life of Elijah? Why do you think he just appears, without any introduction, into the story?
- 2. What does James want us to remember about Elijah in James 5:17&18? Why might this be helpful to remember as we study Elijah's life over the next few weeks?
- 3. Read 1 Kings 16:29-34 discuss the seriousness of these verses and God's response to the actions of the Israelites. Where has compromise led to disobedience? Which ten commandments are being broken? Is there anything that troubles you?
- 4. Do you agree that compromise is a slippery slope? In what ways can we be tempted, or have we been tempted to compromise in our lives as Christians that we may not have realised the seriousness of at the time?
- 5. Tim Keller writes 'An idol is anything more important to you than God, anything that absorbs your heart and imagination more than God, and anything that you seek to give you what only God can give.' What are the obvious and less obvious idols of our time? If you feel able share where this has been or is a challenge for you?
- 6. Read 1 Kings 17:1-6 Elijah is obedient in sharing the word of God in a difficult situation. Have you ever felt like God was asking you to speak His truth, to be His voice (prophet)? How did you respond?
- 7. Do you agree that obedience is a sign of trust in God? Has there been a time in your life where you've stepped out in faith in obedience to God's word and He has provided for you? Can you share examples of times when God has provided for you in a remarkable way?
- 8. Elijah was going to go on and do great things but here with no one around him he has to trust God for his most basic needs every day. What are you (or what could you) be trusting God for at the moment?
- 9. Read together Philippians 4:19 and use it as a springboard to prayer for one another.