

Elijah vs. Baal's Prophets

1 Kings 18:16-46

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Intro:

Covenant, Historical Backdrop, Elijah, African American Christian" History, Adam Clayton Powell, Sr.

- A. **Acting** Courageously (*1 Kings 18:16-22*)
 - 1. Speaking "Truth to Power" (vs 17-18)
 - 2. Being Confident When Outnumbered (vs 19-22)
 - 3. Challenging Cultural Norms (vs 21)

- B. **Asking** God To Confirm (*1 Kings 18:23-38*)
 - 1. Soliciting an Agreement (vs 23-24)
 - 2. Letting it Play Out (vs 25-29)
 - 3. Acting in Faith (vs 30-35)
 - 4. Maintaining the Right Motive (vs 36-38)

- C. **Addressing** What Needs to Be Done (*1 Kings 18:39-46*)
 - 1. Acting Decisively (vs 39-40)
 - 2. Praying until "God's Will is Done" (vs 42-45)
 - 3. Continuing To Serve (vs 46)

Conclusion / Personal Applications: Are you in Covenant Relationship with God? Are there areas in your life where you need to be more courageous or act decisively? Who are you praying for that God would "turn their hearts back again"?