

## **The Voice of God**

1 Kings 19:9-18

"What are you doing here, Elijah?" asked God.

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God had just shown His power in a triumph over the false gods, but evil queen Jezebel threatened to kill Elijah. Elijah got scared and ran for his life. He hid in a cave in the desert where God spoke with him.

"I've always served you well," complained Elijah. "Those Israelites disobeyed you and killed the other prophets. Now the queen wants to kill me too!"

Elijah was afraid and frustrated, but God still had plans for him.

"Come out and meet me," God said. "I'm going to pass by here."

In that moment a strong wind hit the mountain, but God wasn't in the wind. Then, an earthquake shook the mountain and then a fire roared on the mountain. God wasn't in the earthquake or the fire. After that, Elijah heard a soft, quiet voice. Elijah recognized God's voice and went out to

the entrance of the cave and covered his face. God gave him instructions and encouraged him; there were still 7,000 others who were still following the true God. Elijah went back to Israel with God's message.

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TRUSTING 2) God was not in the	AFRAID	THINKING
DESERT 3) God presented himse	STRONG WIND	MOUNTAIN
FIRE 4) There were still	EARTHQUAKE	SOFT VOICE people serving God.
200	1,000	7,000
How	do I act when I'm fru	strated?
If I feel v	sees me. well or badly, not alone.	God, Remind me that You protect me from fear and evil.