

Elijah - Identifying the Call of God

I Kings 19:19-21



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Introduction:

I. THE CALL FOR SOME (vs. 19)

A. Identification

“so he departed”

“he...found Elisha the son of Shaphat”

“plowing with twelve pairs of oxen before him, and he with the twelfth”

What is the call to ministry?

B. Investiture

“Elijah passed over to him”

“and threw his mantle on him”

C. Investment

II. THE CATCH FOR MANY (vs. 20)

A. Parents and Family

“he left the oxen and ran after Elijah”

“Please let me kiss my father and my mother, then I will follow you.”

“Go back again, for what have I done to you?”

B. Houses and Land

Mark 10:28-31

C. Friends

Luke 9:57-62

III. THE COMMITMENT THAT IS NECESSARY (vs. 21)

A. You must pay the price.

“So he returned from following him, and took the pair of oxen and sacrificed them and boiled their flesh with the implements of the oxen...”

“and gave it to the people and they ate”

B. There's no turning back.

“then he arose and followed Elijah”

C. There is great joy in ministry.

“and ministered to him”

Conclusion:

- 1) Beware of isolation.
- 2) Victory in one battle does not mean that the war is over.
- 3) Consider your role in the II Timothy 2:2 process.
- 4) Keep your eyes on the Lord.