

“Listening for the Whisper” 1 Kings 19

“Forty Days of Prayer” at COS starts on Wednesday, February _____

“Midweek Boost” starts _____, Feb. 3rd at 6:30pm-7:45pm in the Worship Center, studying “How to _____ the Voice of GOD,” for 12 weeks.

“Nothing has the potential to change your life like the _____.
Nothing will determine your destiny more than _____ to
hear HIS still small voice.” Mark Batterson

Elijah and the Whisper

1. The message from _____ sent Elijah over the edge. **V.1-2**
2. With the emotional _____ of being at the protracted point of cataclysmic, national events, Elijah was _____, afraid, and discouraged. He felt _____ and alone. He felt like he had _____ GOD, and that GOD had failed him. SO _____ to Beersheba, the southernmost city in Judah. (what are you running from?) **V.3**
3. Things did not turn out the way Elijah thought. (_____) Not only was Elijah _____ the service of GOD, he did not want to live anymore. **V.4** Can godly people find themselves in dark places?
* **Never** _____ when you are down.
4. When the mind and body are weary, and the heart is heavy, the prescription is often _____. Mark 4:38 **V.5-8** (Plus a really _____) Mt. Horeb in the Sinai desert was _____ from Beersheba.
5. Elijah found a cave to stay in. The LORD asked him, _____
_____ Elijah?” **V.9** GOD asks questions, not for HIS benefit, but for _____. Sometimes we have to get _____ from our circumstances, in order to _____ GOD’s perspective on our circumstances. **V.10**
6. The _____ of the LORD passed by the cave. First a powerful _____ hurled boulders around like flower petals. Next an _____ shook the mountain violently. Then a spontaneous _____ erupted that made Elijah cower. But the LORD was in _____ of these. **V.11** Why this? GOD was reminding HIS depressed prophet that everything in nature was _____ to HIM.

And if HIS servant wanted _____, HE could easily find another means, or another _____ to fulfill HIS Purposes. Does GOD need to get your attention?

7. The _____ settled things. **V.12** The ESV calls it, "a low whisper." The NASB calls it, "a gentle _____" The KJV calls it, "a still _____." GOD often speaks the _____, when we are the _____.
 - A. The prophet _____ HIS Voice, and stepped out of the cave. **V.13** His Whisper is gentle, but nothing is more _____.
 - B. The Hebrew word for whisper is, "demamah" which can be translated, "silence, _____, or calmness."
 - C. The dictionary defines whisper as, "speaking softly using _____, without using one's vocal cords."
 - D. No form of communication is more _____ than the whisper, because you have to _____ and get very _____ to hear. That is what GOD wants.
 - E. If you are not willing to listen to _____ GOD wants to say, you eventually will not hear _____ from HIM. IF you want to hear HIS comforting voice, you have to listen to HIS _____ voice. What you often want to hear _____, is what you need to hear _____.
8. GOD asked Elijah the _____ question again. **V.13** His self-pitying and _____ reply was, "I have been _____ for YOU. All Israel has walked away. I am the _____ left that YOU can count on. And they are going to kill me, too." **V.14** (Nothing good) negative _____)
9. Elijah had _____ the glorious things GOD had already accomplished through him. He was focused on the _____ stuff, and had forgotten the _____ of GOD.
10. The LORD wanted Elijah to stop weeping over the _____, and to stop running from the _____. He was called back into service. It was time to _____ others for the future. Included in this next generation assignment, GOD would use the _____ of Hazael and Jehu, and the words and _____ of Elisha to accomplish HIS purposes. **V.15-21**
11. The communication goal of a Believer's life is not to have _____, but to have _____. It only comes from THE Whisper.

