

## 聖經人物 — 以利亞

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參考于弟兄 8 月 04 日的主日信息“『這些人是誰?』(11) — 神家的戰車馬兵：以利亞” (<http://www.svca.cc/audio/20130804-01.mp3>) 和 8 月 18 日的主日信息“為神家培養大能的勇士” (<http://www.svca.cc/audio/20130818-01.mp3>)。

### 神家的戰車馬兵 以利亞-信息大綱

經文：雅 5:17-18；王上第 17 章—王下第 2 章

背誦經文：他必有以利亞的心志能力，行在主的前面，叫為父的心轉向兒女，叫悖逆的人轉從義人的智慧，又為主預備合用的百姓。(路 1:17)

詩歌：其他“房角石”；H427“惟有耶穌”；其他“讓我們屈身敬拜”；其他“在這裡遇見我們”；SH64“神的聖靈”；SH282“哦，願神的兒子圍繞你”

#### A. 與我們有一樣性情的以利亞

- 以利亞與我們是一樣性情的人...(雅 5:17a)

#### B. 充滿信心與能力的以利亞

- ...他懇切禱告，求不要下雨，雨就三年零六個月不下在地上。他又禱告，天就降下雨來，地也生出土產。(雅 5:17-18)
- 迦密山上的全然得勝(王上 18 章) — 以全國的歸回復興為懷
- 使撒勒法寡婦之子死裡復活(王上 17: 17-24)

#### 新約的引述：

- ...他(施洗約翰)必有以利亞的心志能力，行在主的前面，叫為父的心轉向兒女，叫悖逆的人轉從義人的智慧，又為主預備合用的百姓。(路 1:17)
- 10 門徒問耶穌說：「文士為甚麼說以利亞必須先來？」 11 耶穌回答說：「以利亞固然先來，並要復興萬事； 12 只是我告訴你們，以利亞已經來了，人卻不認識他，竟任意待他。人子也將要這樣受他們的害。」 13 門徒這才明白耶穌所說的是指著施洗的約翰。(太 17:10-13)
- 53 那裏的人不接待他，因他面向耶路撒冷去。 54 他的門徒雅各、約翰看見了，就說：「主啊，你要我們吩咐火從天上降下來燒滅他們，像以利亞所做的嗎？」(路 9:53-54)

#### C. 被神全然恢復的以利亞(王上 19 章)

- 耶洗別的恐嚇[羅騰樹下求死][藏身何烈山的洞裡][神的恢復][以利亞更新的事奉與能力]

#### D. 成為神家戰車馬兵的以利亞

- 11 他們正走著說話，忽有火車火馬將二人隔開，以利亞就乘旋風升天去了。 12 以利沙看見，就呼叫說：「我父啊！我父啊！以色列的戰車馬兵啊！」以後不再見他了。於是以利沙把自己的衣服撕為兩片。 13 他拾起以利亞身上掉下來的外衣，回去站在約旦河邊。 14 他用以利亞身上掉下來的外衣打水，說：「耶和華-以利亞的神在哪裏呢？」打水之後，水也左右分開，以利沙就過來了。(王下 2:11-14)
- 與摩西一同顯現在變化山上(太 17 章，可 9 章，路 9 章)
- 人甚至以為耶穌是以利亞(太 16:14)，或以利亞會來救釘十架的基督(太 27:49，可 15:36)

### 為神家培養大能的勇士-信息大綱

經文：王下 2:14；雅 5:17；創 13:5-13, 14:14-16；代上 19:12-13；林前 16:13-14

背誦經文：13 你們務要警醒，在真道上站立得穩，要作大丈夫，要剛強。 14 凡你們所做的都要憑愛心而做。(林前 16:13-14)

詩歌：H186 “救主之愛”；其他“我每靜念”；其他“我今來敬拜祢”；其他“我在這裡，主”；SH255 “一群大能的子民”；SH254 “我們是祢的百姓”

#### A) 復習上週「神家的戰車馬兵— 以利亞」

- 「以利亞的神在哪裡？」(王下 2:14)
- 神的以利亞在哪裡？(雅 5:17)

#### B) 神家永遠都需要大能的勇士，是需平日就精心培養的

【例子】：亞伯拉罕自家生養的三百一十八位精練壯丁(創 14:14-16)

14 亞伯蘭聽見他姪兒【原文是弟兄】被擄去，就率領他家裏生養的精練壯丁三百一十八人，直追到但， 15 便在夜間，自己同僕人分隊殺敗敵人，又追到大馬士革北邊的何把， 16 將被擄掠的一切財物奪回來，連他姪兒羅得和他的財物，以及婦女、人民也都奪回來。

- 使被擄的得著釋放—即使是與貪愛世界且又虧負自己的侄兒
- 奪回一切所失去的
- 大敗四王聯軍
- 價值的提升與歡樂的結局

關鍵：除了亞伯拉罕本人寬大的心與豐盛的生命以外，也在於他所率領「家裡生養的」  
「精練壯丁」(trained servants)

- 12 約押對亞比篩說：「亞蘭人若強過我，你就來幫助我；亞捫人若強過你，我就去幫助你。 13 我們都當剛強，為本國的民和神的城邑作大丈夫，願耶和華憑祂的意旨而行。」(代上 19:12-13)

C) 保羅的勸勉

- 13 你們務要警醒，在真道上站立得穩，要作大丈夫，要剛強。 14 凡你們所做的都要憑愛心而做。(林前 16:13-14)

### 小組查經/回饋大綱

1. 小組聚會前請讀列王記上 17-19 章。于弟兄主日的信息中提到“以利亞的神”有以下四個特點：
  - 全能
  - 充滿愛和體恤
  - 現在的神
  - 永遠給人第二次的機會

上述每一個點對我們有什麼特別的提醒？我們是否對神也有同樣的經歷和認識？

2. 當以利亞在軟弱的時候，神是如何來恢復以利亞？請小組成員分享我們個人如何經過靈性低谷而被神恢復的經歷。
3. 于弟兄在主日的信息中也發出一個挑戰：“神的以利亞在哪裡？”神家永遠都需要大能的勇士，這些勇士是需平日就精心培養的。請分享如何在我們自己日常的生活中預備自己成為神家大能的勇士。
4. **【夏令退修會附加題】** 請每一位小組成員分享參加夏令退修會的最大願望是什麼？並為之彼此代禱。

## Bible Figures — Elijah

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Please refer to Brother Yu's Sunday message on 08/04 "Who are These People (11) – Elijah: The Chariot and Horsemen of God's House" (<http://www.svca.cc/audio/20130804-01.mp3>), and Sunday messages on 8/18 "Raising Mighty Men of Valor For God's House" (<http://www.svca.cc/audio/20130818-01.mp3>).

### Elijah: The Chariot and Horsemen of God's House

#### Sunday message outline

**Scriptures:** James 5:17-18, 1 Kings 17-2 Kings 2

**Memorization Scripture:** "He will also go before Him in the spirit and power of Elijah, 'to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children,' and the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, to make ready a people prepared for the Lord." (Luke 1:17)

**Hymnary:** Other "Cornerstone"; H427 "Jesus Only"; Other "Come Let us worship and Bow Down"; Other "Meet Us Here"; SH64 "Spirit of God"; SH282 "O let the Son Of God Enfold You"

#### A. Elijah was a man with a nature like ours

- "Elijah was a man with a nature like ours ..." (James 5:17a)

#### B. Elijah was a man full of faith and power

- "... he prayed earnestly that it would not rain; and it did not rain on the land for three years and six months. And he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain, and the earth produced its fruit." (James 5:17-18)
- Total victory on Mount Carmel (1 King 18) – led to the returned and revival of the entire nation
- The resurrection of the son of the widow from Zarephath (1 King 17:17-24)

#### New Testament references:

- "He (John the Baptist) will also go before Him in the spirit and power of Elijah, 'to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children,' and the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, to make ready a people prepared for the Lord." (Luke 1:17)
- "And His disciples asked Him, saying, "Why then do the scribes say that Elijah must come first?" Jesus answered and said to them, "Indeed, Elijah is coming first and will restore all things. But I say to you that Elijah has come already, and they did not know him but did to him whatever they wished. Likewise the Son of Man is also about to suffer at their hands." Then the disciples understood that He spoke to them of John the Baptist." (Matt 17:10-13)
- "But they did not receive Him, because His face was set for the journey to Jerusalem. And when His disciples James and John saw this, they said, "Lord, do You want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them, just as Elijah did?" (Luke 9:53-54)

**C. Elijah was fully restored by the Lord (1 King 19)**

- The treats of Jezebel -> Prayed for death under the broom tree -> Hidden in the caves of Mount Horeb -> God's restoration -> Elijah's renewed service and power

**D. Elijah was the chariot and horsemen of the House of God**

- “Then it happened, as they continued on and talked, that suddenly a chariot of fire appeared with horses of fire, and separated the two of them; and Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven. And Elisha saw it, and he cried out, “My father, my father, the chariot of Israel and its horsemen!” So he saw him no more. And he took hold of his own clothes and tore them into two pieces. He also took up the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and went back and stood by the bank of the Jordan. Then he took the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and struck the water, and said, “Where is the Lord God of Elijah?” And when he also had struck the water, it was divided this way and that; and Elisha crossed over.” (2 King 2: 11-14)
- Appeared with Moses on the Mount of Transfiguration (Matt 17, Mark 9, Luke 9)
- People thought Jesus was Elijah (Matt 16:14), or Elijah would rescue the crucified Christ (Matt 27:49, Mark 15:36)

## **Raising Mighty Men of Valor For God's House**

### **Sunday message outline**

**Scriptures:** 2 Kings 2:14 ; James 5:17 ; Genesis 13: 5-13, 14: 14-16 ; 1 Chronicles 19:12- 13; 1 Corinthians 16:13-14

**Memory Verse:** “13 Watch, stand fast in the faith, be brave, be strong. 14 Let all that you do be done with love.” (1 Cor 16:13-14)

**Hymnary:** H186 “My Savior's Love”; Other “When I Survey”; Other “Here I Am to Worship”; Other “Here I Am, Lord”; SH255 “For I'm Building a People of Power”; SH254 “We Are Your People”

**A) Review Last Week's Sermon: “Elijah: The Chariot and Horsemen of God's House”**

- “Where is the Lord God of Elijah?” (2 Kings 2:14)
- “Where is God's Elijah?” ( James 5:17)

**B) The house of God is always in need of mighty warriors. This requires careful cultivation on a daily basis.**

**Example: Abraham's three hundred and eighteen trained servants, born in his own house (Genesis 14: 14-16)**

- “14 And when Abram heard that his brother was taken captive, he armed his trained servants, born in his own house, three hundred and eighteen, and pursued them unto Dan. 15 And he divided himself against them, he and his servants, by night, and smote them, and pursued them unto Hobah, which is on the left hand of Damascus. 16 And he brought back all

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the goods, and also brought again his brother Lot, and his goods, and the women also, and the people.”

- Proclaimed deliverance to the captives - Even to a nephew who loved the world and took advantage of him.
- Regained all that was lost
- Defeated the coalition of four kings
- Increased worth, joyous ending
- Key: In addition to Abraham’s generous heart and abundant life, the trained servants who were born in his house were also essential.

**12 Then he (Joab) said (to Abishai), “If the Syrians are too strong for me, then you shall help me; but if the people of Ammon are too strong for you, then I will help you. 13 Be of good courage, and let us be strong for our people and for the cities of our God. And may the Lord do what is good in His sight.” (1 Chronicles 19: 12-13)**

### C) Paul’s Encouragement

- “13 Watch, stand fast in the faith, be brave, be strong. 14 Let all that you do be done with love.” (1 Corinthians 16:13-14)

## Small Group Meeting Outline

1. Before the meeting, please make sure to read 1 Kings 18-19. Brother Yu mentioned in his Sunday message that “the Lord God of Elijah” has the following characteristics:
  - God of Almighty
  - God of full of love and mercy
  - God of the present time
  - God of the 2nd chance

What can we learn from each of the above aspects? Is the Lord God of Elijah the same God we believe today? Do we also have similar knowledge and experience on this same God?
2. How did God restore Elijah from his spiritual depression? Please share your personal experience when God restored you from your spiritual depression.
3. In his Sunday message Brother Yu also asked the question: “Where is God’s Elijah?”. The house of God is always in need of mighty warriors. This requires careful cultivation on a daily basis. How can we prepare ourselves to be God’s mighty warriors in our daily lives?
4. **[Special topic]** Please share your biggest expectation for the coming Labor Day Summer Retreat and pray for one another.