

100 % CHANCE OF RAIN
A Bible story based on 1 Kings 18: 1, 41-46.

When you watch the news, the weatherman (Meteorologist) forecast the upcoming weather of chance of rain or sunshine. He cannot predict the rain 100 % because he is a human being. Therefore he forecasts saying 60% or 80% Or 90% chance of rain whereas when our God says it will be 100 % without any doubt. Elijah was called to defend the God of Israel. His life was centered around the conflict between the worship of the Lord and worship of Baal. As God's messenger, Elijah spoke to King Ahab a word of judgment from the Lord against disobedient Israel.

Three years before God had sent drought on the land through Elijah's word. All the rain stopped, the crops died, the rivers dried up, people and animals suffered terribly. King Ahab did everything he could to find grass to keep his horses and animals alive. But it did not go well.

God was working miracles through Elijah, trying to get king's attention. But Ahab was stubborn and rebellious. So God told Elijah to find Ahab and tell him rain is on the way. May be Ahab would listen if he saw another miracle. Elijah found Ahab and told him: "Listen Ahab, I hear the sound of heavy rain. He looked up at the bright sky and laughed at Elijah and said the sky looked just like it was yesterday and days before that. For three years there hadn't been a drop of rain. Ahab went home to have his dinner without paying any attention to Elijah and Elijah went to the mountain to pray.

Elijah was on top of a mountain with his servant praying hard and checking clouds and praying hard. Elijah determined to pray until God's word is fulfilled. His servant went back and forth three times to check the sky and said still nothing. The servant asked "Are you sure God is going to send rain" Are you sure your prayer work?"

Elijah's prayer was earnest and persistent prayer with faith. So he said "I am sure my prayer will be answered. He sent his servant 7 times to check for clouds. Seventh time the servant reported excitedly "A cloud as small as a man's hand is rising from the sea. Elijah said, "Go and tell Ahab 'hitch up your chariot and go down before the rain stops you'. As Elijah's servant ran to Ahab with the message, the sky grew black with clouds, the wind rose, a heavy rain started falling and Ahab rode off to Jezreel. Elijah shouted: "I knew you wanted me to keep praying for the rain because you are a God who answers prayer and "PRAYER WORKS".

No matter what, **PRAYER WORKS**. There may be delay to receive the answer, doesn't mean it is denied. If you pray and

wait, God will provide 100% rain for your prayer. It is in the forecast (Bible). So pray earnestly, faithfully and persistently. God is a wonder working God. Nothing is impossible with God. The Like Elijah let us pray earnestly and with strong faith. Pray not once, or twice, seven times to see the miracle of God or until you see the cloud as small as a man's hand coming from heaven. Prayer doesn't cause faith to work but faith causes prayer to work.

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Bible Reading Plan Week 39

Day	Bible Passage	Pray for
October 22, 2017	Nahum 1-3	Montenegro
October 23, 2017	Habakkuk 1-3	Morocco
October 24, 2017	Zephaniah 1-3	Mozambique
October 25, 2017	Haggai 1-2	Myanmar
October 26, 2017	Zechariah 1-5	Namibia
October 27, 2017	Zechariah 6-10	Nepal
October 28, 2017	Zechariah 11-14	Netherlands

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- **SPIRITUAL GROWTH**
- **HEALING**
- **FINANCIAL SECURITY**
- **MARRIAGE OF CHILDREN**