

**WEEK 2 – PURSUIT OF RESTORATION**  
**Small Groups – Restoration of our Ministry**



*Read what?* 1 Kings 19:1–18



*What?*

This is where you describe what happened in the story in your own words.

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*So what?*

This is where you talk about what this passage means to you in your own life.

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*Now what?*

This is where you talk about what you are going to do differently because of this passage.

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## **Day 1 – Restoration of our Ministry**

### **1 Kings 19:1–18**

Elijah's life was threatened, and instead of trusting the Lord, he ran. He had nearly given up on life and was ready to die. But there is grace even in our weakest moments. Grace that sustains us. The Lord graciously provided food for Elijah. The Lord graciously provided rest for Elijah. That sustaining grace brought Elijah to a place where he was able to hear the voice of the Lord. And not only was God able to restore Elijah's ministry, but He increased his influence.

We are never too far gone to make an impact for Jesus' kingdom. Regardless of your past mistakes, regardless of your present mistakes. You are never beyond Christ's ability to restore your ministry. Jesus has a tremendous plan for your life, and when you are ready for His leading and His guidance, He can and will take your life and accomplish amazing things for His glory. It's why Jesus went to the cross. Jesus' death, burial, and resurrection would all be in vain if it weren't sufficient enough to restore our lives.

#### Study Questions:

1. Why did Elijah run away?
2. What was it that gave Elijah the ability to continue on after the Lord spoke to him?

#### Application Questions:

1. In verse 7, God told Elijah that "the journey was too great for him." In what areas of your life is the journey too great? In what areas do you need to allow the sustaining grace of Jesus to fill your life?
2. What were the natural events that occurred when Elijah was listening for God's voice? What does that imply that we need to do to listen to His voice?