

MOVING FROM FLIGHT **TO FIGHT**

(WHAT TO DO WHEN YOU WANT TO RUN AWAY!)

1 Kings 19 (Elijah)

“And when he saw that, he arose and ran for his life...”
1 Kings 19:3

“Elijah was a man with a nature like ours...” James 5:17

1. Be sober: You may have to face a great fear.

1 Kings 18:41-19:3

“Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour.”
1 Peter 5:8

2. It is possible to desert our post and miss a divine opportunity.

“And when he saw that, he arose and ran for his life, and went to Beersheba, which belongs to Judah, and left his servant there.”
1 Kings 19:3

Judges 16:19-22

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for prayer after service.**

“...pray for one another...” James 5:16

3. God still loves deserters

“Then as he lay and slept under a broom tree, suddenly an angel touched him, and said to him, ‘Arise and eat.’ Then he looked, and there by his head was a cake baked on coals, and a jar of water. So he ate and drank, and lay down again. And the angel of the Lord came back the second time, and touched him, and said, ‘Arise and eat, because the journey is too great for you.’ So he arose, and ate and drank; and he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights as far as Horeb, the mountain of God.” 1 Kings 19:5-8

Simon Peter went up and dragged the net to land, full of large fish, one hundred and fifty-three; and although there were so many, the net was not broken. Jesus said to them, ‘Come and eat breakfast.’ Yet none of the disciples dared ask Him, ‘Who are You?’ -- knowing that it was the Lord. Jesus then came and took the bread and gave it to them, and likewise the fish.

John 21:11-13

- ❖ God’s love is constant
- ❖ God’s love shows itself in special ways
- ❖ God’s love keeps ministering
- ❖ God’s love prepares us for our next step

4. God still speaks to deserters

1 Kings 19:9-14

- ❖ God will bring us back to a sacred place
- ❖ God will question us
- ❖ God will teach us

5. God will declare: Go, Return!

“Then the Lord said to him: ‘Go, return on your way to the Wilderness of Damascus; and when you arrive...’”

1 Kings 19:15

“God said, ‘Go back the way you came...’”

*1 Kings 19:15
(The Message)*

6. Avoiding a meltdown

- ❖ Get some sleep
- ❖ Don’t go alone
- ❖ Look at God not your fears