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# **CHURCH AT HOME**



#### **ELIJAH AT MOUNT CARMEL**

**BIBLE PASSAGE**: 1 Kings 18-19 **KEY PASSAGE**: Isaiah 42:8

MAIN POINT: God takes care of us. Big Picture Question: How many Gods are there? There is one true

God.

# Catechism Question: Q: What is Idolatry?

A: Idolatry is trusting in created things rather than the Creator for our hope and happiness, significance and security.

#### **SUPPLY LIST:**

 The Beginner's Bible, Timeless Children's Stories.

The Bible Story: Fire From Heaven

#### **BIBLE POINTS**

- Elijah prayed for God to send fire.
- God hears us when we pray to Him.
- God showed that He is the one true God.



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# TELL THE BIBLE STORY (5 minutes)

**SIT DOWN** with your children and share a snack together. *Cuddle each other close* and fully engage with them when reading the Bible story. Provide a bible for your baby to hold and open. Open your Bible to 1 Kings 18-19. If you can, follow along in **The Beginner's Bible, Timeless Children's Stories**, Fire From Heaven, page 209.

King Ahab led Israel to worship a statue called Baal. Elijah said to the king, "Meet me at Mount Carmel with the false prophets of Baal." Many people came to watch what Elijah would do. Elijah told the prophets of Baal to make an offering with no fire. Elijah said, "You call on Baal, and I will call on the Lord. The One who answers is the true God." Baal's prophets sang and danced and cried and shouted, but nothing happened. When it was his turn, Elijah poured water on the altar he had made to make it harder to burn. Then he prayed, "Lord, let it be known that You are God!" God sent fire from heaven, and Elijah's offering and altar were burned up! The people shouted, "The Lord is God! The Lord is God!"



**THERE IS ONE GOD.** God hears us when we pray to Him. We worship Jesus because He is God the Son.

### SING

Have your kids sing along: Down Came The Fire <a href="https://youtu.be/261s7lbYz91">https://youtu.be/261s7lbYz91</a>



Elijah prayed for God to send fire. God showed that He is the one true God. **THERE IS ONE GOD, and Jesus is His Son.** 

# **CATECHISM QUESTION**

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Q: What is Idolatry?

<u>A:</u> Idolatry is trusting in created things rather than the Creator for our hope and happiness, significance and security.



If you are able, please consider downloading the **New City Catechism app** on either the <u>App Store</u> or <u>Google Play</u>.

There are short, simple songs that correspond to some of the catechism questions. To play the song, click the play button in the bottom right corner.

This is a great way for kids to memorize and internalize foundations of the Christian faith.

### PRAY

**PRAY** -Dear Lord, We are so thankful to be your children. We ask and you answer. We need and you provide. You are the one true God and we thank you for every miracle you perform. In Jesus' name, Amen.

## **EXPERIENCE & APPLY THE STORY**

#### **OPTION 1: Sensory bag of fire.**

#### **Supplies:**

- 1. Ziploc bag.
- 2. Clear shower gel.
- 3. Duct tape.
- 4. Glitter.
- 5. Red, Orange, and Yellow beads.

#### **Description/Make:**

Place some clear shower gel in a ziploc bag. Then add some glitter and your different color beads. Then make sure you duct tape the top of your baggie. Now squeeze the baggie and watch the beads and glitter mix around.

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Our beads look like fire. Elijah prayed for God to send fire to show the people of Israel that **THERE IS ONE GOD**. God hears us when we pray to Him. Only God deserves our worship.

#### **OPTION 2: Coloring Page and Activity Pages (crayons, markers)**

Have your child use crayons or markers to color the sheet on the next page.



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