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## WHEN WE NOTICE GOD MOVING ARE WE WILLING TO FOLLOW

1 Kings 18:17 – 39 (ESV)

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### MESSAGE NOTES

*Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised in the city of our God! His holy mountain, beautiful in elevation, is the joy of all the earth, Mount Zion, in the far north, the city of the great King. – Psalm 48:1 – 2 (ESV)*

**The Bible mentions several mountains, including: Mount Ararat, Mount Carmel, Mount Moriah, Mount Tabor, Mount Zion, Mount Nebo, Mount Gerizim, and Mount Hermon.**

#### **1 Kings 18:17 – 39 ESV**

*When Ahab saw Elijah, Ahab said to him, "Is it you, you troubler of Israel?" And he answered, "I have not troubled Israel, but you have, and your father's house, because you have abandoned the commandments of the Lord and followed the Baals. – 1 Kings 18:17 – 18 (ESV)*

*"Now therefore send and gather all Israel to me at Mount Carmel, and the 450 prophets of Baal and the 400 prophets of Asherah, who eat at Jezebel's table." So Ahab sent to all the people of Israel and gathered the prophets together at Mount Carmel. And Elijah came near to all the people and said, "How long will you go limping between two different opinions? If the Lord is God, follow Him; but if Baal, then follow him." And the people did not answer him a word. – 1 Kings 18:19 – 21 (ESV)*

*So Ahab sent to all the people of Israel and gathered the prophets together at Mount Carmel. And Elijah came near to all the people and said, "How long will you go limping between two different opinions? If the Lord is God, follow Him; but if Baal, then follow him." And the people did not answer him a word. Then Elijah said to the people, "I, even I only, am left a prophet of the Lord, but Baal's prophets are 450 men. Let two bulls be given to us, and let them choose one bull for themselves and cut it in pieces and lay it on the wood, but put no fire to it. And I will prepare the other bull and lay it on the wood and put no fire to it. And you call upon the name of your god, and I will call upon the name of the Lord, and the God who answers by fire, He is God." And all the people answered, "It is well spoken." – 1 Kings 18:20 – 24 (ESV)*

*And when all the people saw it, they fell on their faces and said, "The Lord, He is God; the Lord, He is God." – 1 Kings 18:39 (ESV)*

#### **Questions we can always consider.**

**Did I follow Jesus into my current circumstance (Yes or No)**

**(Y) Am I willing to keep following Jesus?**

**(N) Am I willing to redirect and now trust Jesus to guide me?**

**Where am I not speaking up or out so that the Kingdom of Heaven can be here on earth as it is in heaven?**

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## SLIDE BOOK RECOMMENDATION

*Good and Beautiful and Kind: Becoming Whole in a Fractured World* by Rich Villodas



## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- Discussion Starter: What type of geography captures your attention in a way that makes you feel in awe?
  
- Read 1 Kings 18:17-18. What description would you be thrilled to be called because of your relationship with Jesus?
  
- 1 Kings 18: What part of this narrative do you wrestle with? What part do you align with?
  
- Where in your life have you replaced a way of worshiping Jesus?
  
- Is repentance a word that brings you shame or joy? Why is that?
  
- Three questions we can always consider:
  1. Did I follow Jesus into my current circumstance (Yes or No)
  2. (Y) Am I willing to keep following Jesus?
  3. (N) Am I willing to redirect and now trust Jesus to guide me?