



“What are you doing here?”

1 Kings 19: 1-16

I. The Lord's Care of Elijah (vv. 4-8)

A. Elijah's great victory and then Jezebel's anger

B. Now all his victories were all forgotten – he feels low!

C. Elijah went a days journey into the wilderness.

- He does not want to face anyone, he wants to be alone.
- He does not want to talk and left his servant behind.
- He does not want to assume any responsibility.

D. He decides that is no use in living anymore.

- It is enough (v.4) ... "I've had it!"

"Now Lord, take my life, for I am no better than my fathers!" (v.4)

E. See how confused he was: he flees death, yet seeks it.

F. Finally he rests under a juniper tree (broom tree).

G. Now notice God's tender care for Elijah.

II. The LORD'S Question to Elijah (v.9)

- A. "*What are you doing here, Elijah?*"
- B. Here is God's question to a defeated Christian today.
"What are you doing here?"

The image shows a parchment scroll with a wooden frame and metal clasps. The scroll is unrolled, and the text is written on it. The text is in a bold, italicized font and is repeated five times, increasing in size from top to bottom.

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III. The LORD'S Commission to Elijah (vv. 11-15)

A. "Go out, and stand on the mountain before the Lord."

B. Why all this commotion if God is not in it?

C. But notice again: "What are you doing here?" again.

"Go, return on your way to the Wilderness of Damascus..."



Lost?

What are you doing here?

A parchment scroll with two questions. The scroll is unrolled, showing a light beige, textured surface. The text is written in a bold, black, sans-serif font. The scroll is held by four wooden rollers, one at each corner, which are visible as dark, rounded shapes. The background is a solid light beige color.

Have gotten cold and indifferent?

What are you doing here?



Saved, but not actively serving God?

What are you doing here?