

“All Noise, No Substance” By Kirk Hunt

So they cried aloud, and cut themselves, as was their custom, with knives and lances, until the blood gushed out on them. And when midday was past, they prophesied until the time of the offering of the evening sacrifice. But there was no voice; no one answered, no one paid attention.

1 Kings 18:28-29 NKJV

For at least 8 hours (morning to noon to evening), the prophets of Ba'al screamed, yelled, leaped, jumped and otherwise made a lot of noise and sweat. They wasted their time and effort. Their invocations had no substance, power or effect in the real world.

The prophets of Ba'al failed from the start. They put their faith in dead idols instead of our living God. They literally bled with no chance of impact or effect.

High numbers of decibels or attendees do not automatically indicate anything of value. A few men and women, who are determined to make a difference, always have the greater impact. Substance always wins in the end.

Unfortunately, building God's Kingdom, or Godly lives, requires wise and substantial effort. The Grand Canyon did not appear overnight. Doctors, lawyers and engineers study for years before they are competent in their professions.

God's Kingdom, and Godly lives, come through faith in Him, then significant work in the real world. As modern day people of God, make sure that you are acting with substance and significance. Please, generate more for God than noise and sweat.

Think: Progress with God and His Kingdom requires acts of substance, not just noise.

Pray: “Lord, help me to serve You with acts of substance and significance.”

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