

“Alone With Your Limits” By Kirk Hunt

But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a broom tree. And he prayed that he might die, and said, "It is enough! Now, Lord, take my life, for I am no better than my fathers!"

1 Kings 19:4 NKJV
(Please also read 1 Kings 19:1-4.)

Queen Jezebel's single messenger did what scores of pagan priests could not. Elijah, fresh from winning an entire nation back to God, was intimidated. He fled alone into the wilderness. There his prayers were unworthy of Jehovah-Sabaoth or even of the (still) faithful man who prayed them.

Everyone, even the strongest or smartest of us, has a limit. And as you approach your limit, you become vulnerable to injury and pressure. Despite his close connection to God, and the miraculous events of his ministry, Elijah proved to have mere human limitations.

Yes, you are a daughter or son of God. He chooses to focus His limitless power through (very) limited vessels. Be grateful for the privilege, but know that he has not done away with your humanity. Especially your human limits.

Elijah proves that even the best of us must constantly refer back to our source of strength. God provides His power for His purposes. Know your limits even as you operate in His power.

Think: I must rely on God's power to build His Kingdom, despite my human limits.

Pray: “Lord, use me in your Kingdom, despite my limits.”

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