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### Emoji Head (The place between our ears)

#### Psalm 100

- •Shout
- Worship
- •Know
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God is in and is active in your place

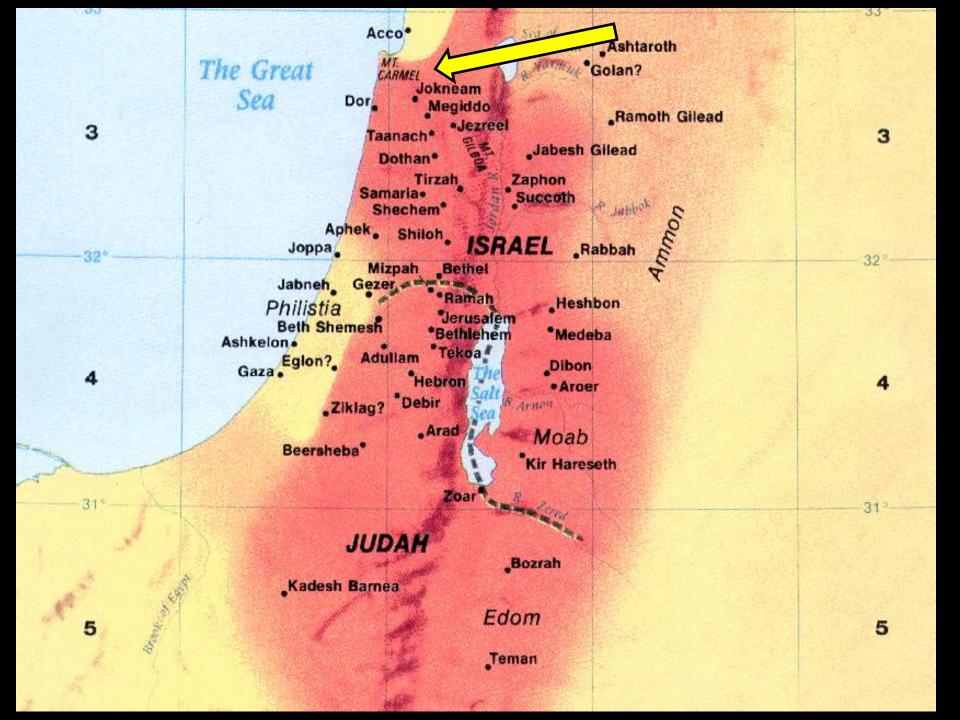
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This place

The Very Presence of God place

#### The Region of Mount Carmel









#### 1King 18 Vs 1

After a long time, in the third year, the word of the LORD came to Elijah: "Go and present yourself to Ahab, and I will send rain on the land."

#### 1King 17:1

Now Elijah the Tishbite, from Tishbe in Gilead, said to Ahab, "As the LORD, the God of Israel, lives, whom I serve, there will be neither dew nor rain in the next few years except at my word."

## 1King 16:30 Ahab son of Omri did more evil in the eyes of the LORD than any of those before him.

#### $\overline{Vs}$ 2

So Elijah went to present himself to Ahab. Now the famine was severe in Samaria...

#### Vs 3-4

...and Ahab had summoned Obadiah, who was in charge of his palace. (Obadiah was a devout believer in the LORD. While Jezebel was killing off the LORD's prophets, Obadiah had taken a hundred prophets and hidden them in two caves, fifty in each, and had supplied them with food and water.)

Ahab had said to Obadiah, "Go through the land to all the springs and valleys. Maybe we can find some grass to keep the horses and mules alive so we will not have to kill any of our animals."

So they divided the land they were to cover, Ahab going in one direction and Obadiah in another.

#### Vs 7-8a

As Obadiah was walking along, Elijah met him. Obadiah recognized him, bowed down to the ground, and said, "Is it really you, my lord Elijah?" "Yes," he replied.

# Obadiah was faithful in his relationship with God as he waited for Him to answer his prayer

#### Vs 8b-9

"Go tell your master, 'Elijah is here.""What have I done wrong," asked Obadiah, "that you are handing your servant over to Ahab to be put to death?

As surely as the LORD your God lives, there is not a nation or kingdom where my master has not sent someone to look for you. And whenever a nation or kingdom claimed you were not there, he made them swear they could not find you.

#### Vs 11-12

But now you tell me to go to my master and say, 'Elijah is here.' I don't know where the Spirit of the LORD may carry you when I leave you. If I go and tell Ahab and he doesn't find you, he will kill me. Yet I your servant have worshiped the LORD since my youth.

#### Vs 13-14

Haven't you heard, my lord, what I did while Jezebel was killing the prophets of the LORD? I hid a hundred of the LORD's prophets in two caves, fifty in each, and supplied them with food and water. And now you tell me to go to my master and say, 'Elijah is here.' He will kill me!"

#### Vs 15-16 Elijah said, "As the LORD Almighty lives, whom I serve, I will surely present myself to Ahab today." So Obadiah went to meet Ahab and told him, and Ahab went to meet Elijah.

#### Vs 17-18

When he saw Elijah, he said to him, "Is that you, you troubler of Israel?" "I have not made trouble for Israel," Elijah replied. "But you and your father's family have. You have abandoned the LORD's commands and have followed the Baals.

Now summon the people from all over Israel to meet me on Mount Carmel. And bring the four hundred and fifty prophets of Baal and the four hundred prophets of Asherah, who eat at Jezebel's table."

So Ahab sent word throughout all Israel and assembled the prophets on Mount Carmel.

Elijah went before the people and said, "How long will you waver between two opinions? If the LORD is God, follow Him; but if Baal is God, follow him." But the people said nothing.

#### Vs 23-35

- •Elijah sets up a contest
- •Prophets of Baal you prepare a sacrifice to your gods
- •I will prepare a sacrifice to my God
- •And we will see whose god/God shows up

At the time of sacrifice, the prophet Elijah stepped forward and prayed: "O LORD, God of Abraham, Isaac and Israel, let it be known today that you are God in Israel and that I am your servant and have done all these things at your command.

Answer me, O LORD, answer me, so these people will know that you, O LORD, are God, and that you are turning their hearts back again."

Then the fire of the LORD fell and burned up the sacrifice, the wood, the stones and the soil, and also licked up the water in the trench.

#### God answered in split second

### In one moment the answer was there

When all the people saw this, they fell prostrate and cried, "The LORD-- he is God! The LORD-- he is God!"

### Vs 40 prophets of Baal are killed

#### Vs 41

And Elijah said to Ahab, "Go, eat and drink, for there is the sound of a heavy rain."

#### Vs 42-43

So Ahab went off to eat and drink, but Elijah climbed to the top of Carmel, bent down to the ground and put his face between his knees. "Go and look toward the sea," he told his servant. And he went up and looked. "There is nothing there," he said. Seven times Elijah said, "Go back."

#### Vs 44-45

The seventh time the servant reported, "A cloud as small as a man's hand is rising from the sea." So Elijah said, "Go and tell Ahab, 'Hitch up your chariot and go down before the rain stops you." Meanwhile, the sky grew black with clouds, the wind rose, a heavy rain came on and Ahab rode off to Jezreel.

### Elijah persistent in prayer until the evidence was visible

#### Obadiah

Obadiah was faithful in his relationship with God as he waited for Him to answer his prayer

### What if God answers in years in your life?

#### Elijah God answered in a split second

In one moment the answer was there

What if God answers you in a moment?

## Elijah Elijah persistent in prayer until the evidence was visible

What if God answers in our persistence and expectancy?

Will we remain faithful for the years, be ready for the moment, and be persistent and expectant in prayer