

**GOD WANTS TO MANIFEST HIS ABUNDANT RAIN IN YOUR LIFE!**

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**1Kings 18:41-AMP**

41 And Elijah said to Ahab, Go up, eat and drink, **for there is the sound of abundance of rain.**

**1Kings 18:1-2-AMP**

1 AFTER MANY days, the word of the Lord came to Elijah ***in the third year***, saying, **Go, show yourself to Ahab, and I will send rain upon the earth.**

2 So Elijah went to show himself to Ahab. ***Now the famine was severe in Samaria.***

**James 5:16b-18 – NKJV**

***...The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much.***

17 Elijah was a man with a nature like ours, and ***he prayed earnestly that it would not rain***; and it did not rain on the land for three years and six months.

18 And ***he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain***, and the earth produced its fruit.

**I Kings 17:1 –AMP**

ELIJAH THE TISHBITE, of the temporary residents of Gilead, said to Ahab, As the Lord, the God of Israel, lives, before Whom I stand, ***there shall not be dew or rain these years but according to My word.***

**CJB - *Get up, eat, and drink, because I hear the sound of heavy rain.***

**MSG - *"Up on your feet! Eat and drink--celebrate! Rain is on the way; I hear it coming."***

**John 20:29-CJB**

...How blessed are those **who do not see, but trust anyway!**"  
**MSG - ... *Even better blessings are in store for those who believe without seeing.***"

a. Elijah **heard the rain** long before he even **saw the rain.**

**Romans 4:17**

...before him whom he believed, *even* God, who quickeneth the dead, and ***calleth those things which be not as though they were.***

**1Kings 18:44 – AMP.**

And at the seventh time the servant said, A cloud as small as a man's hand is arising out of the sea. And Elijah said, **Go up, say to Ahab, Hitch your chariot and go down, lest the rain stop you.**

b. The spiritual realm **operates by sound** and **not by sight.**

**2Corinthians 5:7 – NKJV**

7 For we walk **by faith**, not **by sight.**

c. **Our faith is determined by the sound we are hearing.**

**Romans 10:17 – KJV**

"So then **faith cometh by hearing**, and **hearing by the word of God**"

**Aramaic - ...*"Faith is from the hearing ear, and the hearing ear is from the Word of God."***

**Passion - *Faith, then, is birthed in a heart that responds to God's anointed utterance of the Anointed One.***