

# Fourteenth Sunday in Kingdomtide

## August 25, 2024

### SERMON SERIES

*Where is God When It Hurts?*

### TODAY'S MESSAGE:

*"Blue and All Alone"*

Scripture: I Kings 19:1-10 (New Revised Standard Version)

1 Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. 2 Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, "So may the gods do to me, and more also, if I do not make your life like the life of one of them by this time tomorrow." 3 Then he was afraid; he got up and fled for his life, and came to Beer-sheba, which belongs to Judah; he left his servant there. 4 But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O Lord, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors." 5 Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat." 6 He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again. 7 The angel of the Lord came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you." 8 He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God. 9 At that place he came to a cave, and spent the night there. Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" 10 He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away."

# Sermon Notes

Elijah was feeling blue and all alone. You and I can relate to that. We know what it is to be crushed by the pressures of life because we think life is not fair, we feel alone, or because everything just seems too much for us sometimes.

I want to suggest three things that can help us from the story and struggle of Elijah:

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2. Find \_\_\_\_\_.

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3. Align \_\_\_\_\_.

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