

SUNDAY MORNING  
09-26-2021

Pre-service Psalter 17:1, 2\*\*  
Silent Congregational Prayer  
Votum and Salutation  
Psalter 266:1, 2\*\*  
Reading of the Law: Exodus 20:1-20  
Response to the Law: Psalter 337:3, 4\*\*  
Scripture Reading: 1 Kings 16:29-34; 17:1-6  
Congregational Prayer  
Offerings for the Lord's service (2 collections)  
Psalter 216: All\*\*  
Text: 1 Kings 1:17

**Theme: The Prophet Elijah**

1. *His sober identity*
2. *His sudden appearance*
3. *His striking message*

Prayer  
Psalter 123: All\*\*  
Doxology: Praise God...\*\*  
Benediction  
\*\* Please stand if enabled

**Family Sermon Discussion Questions:**

- 1\*. What was Jeroboam's great sin that was committed in every generation after him?
- 2\*. What was the exceeding wickedness of Ahab and Jezebel?
3. What is the meaning of the name "Elijah," and why was it such a fitting name for the prophet?
4. How does Scripture communicate to us that Elijah was a godly man?
5. Why was Elijah's sudden appearance in Ahab's court very risky for him?
6. What did Elijah confess by saying regarding the LORD, "...before whom I stand?"
7. What does Scripture teach about God giving rain and withholding rain?
8. How did God confront Baal by withholding rain for 3 ½ years?

**Question for Self-reflection**

1. Do you fear God more than you fear man?

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Pre-service Psalter 20:1, 3\*\*

Silent Congregational Prayer

Votum and Salutation

Psalter 408: All\*\*

Scripture Reading: Matthew 3; John 1 :19-34

*Canons of Dort, II, Rejection of Errors, 3 & 4 (p. 105)*

Congregational Prayer

Offerings for the Lord's service (2 collections)

Psalter 143:1-3\*\*

Text: Mark 1:4-11; John 1:31

***Theme: The Baptism of John***

***1. The uniqueness of his baptism***

***2. The message of his baptism***

***3. The purpose of his baptism***

Prayer

Psalter 362:1, 3\*\*

Doxology: May the grace...\*\*

Benediction

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1. Why is it so important to note that John was the son of the PRIEST Zacharias?
2. What connection is there between John's baptism and the fact he was the last of the Old Testament prophets?
- 3\*. Give several biblical reasons why John's baptism *cannot* be New Testament baptism.
4. Why is it so significant that we read repeatedly that John *preached* the baptism of repentance?
5. Why was repentance the focal point of John's message?
6. How do we know that John also preached Christ in connection with his call to repentance?
7. What does John 1:31 teach us about the ultimate and overarching purpose of John's baptism?
- 8\*. Why did Christ insist on submitting to John's baptism?

***Question for Self-reflection***

1. What does it mean that the axe also lies at the root of *your* tree?

\* Questions for younger children