

# *Before the THRONE*

## *The Devotional*

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1 Kings 18:22

“Then Elijah said to the people, “I, even I alone, remain a prophet of the Lord; but Baal’s prophets are four hundred and fifty men.” 1 King 18:22

For those whose desire is to follow the Lord wholeheartedly there will be plenty of moments that you will feel as if you are the only one who is “following on to know the Lord.” The culture, the workplace, your family, and maybe even the church, seems to be far from the vision you have seen of God’s coming Kingdom!

But be neither discouraged nor self absorbed – there are others whose hearts are set upon the Lord and His glory! “Yet I have reserved seven thousand in Israel all whose knees have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him.” (1 King 19:18)

Wholehearted surrender to Christ may appear rare, but God has never been left without a people. “Many are called, but few are chosen.” (Matthew 22:14) While being called of God is surely significant, especially in light of an understanding that He has called us because of His great love for us. We must however clearly understand that a call means little unless it is answered! To move from “the called” to “the chosen” we must ourselves choose to follow after Jesus.

Make that choice today – a quality decision – a decision from which there is no return.