

# Before the THRONE

## The Devotional

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1 Kings 19: 10 – 12

### Sustaining Personal Revival

“And the Lord said, “Go forth, and stand upon the mount before the Lord, and behold the Lord passed by...and after the earthquake, a fire...and after the fire, a still small voice.”  
1 King 19:10-12

Without expectation, faith has no springboard from which to launch out into the realms of God.

But if our expectation is faulty, that is, not based upon the word of God and the character of God, our faith is in danger of becoming shipwrecked. “Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.” (Hebrews 11:1).

The importance then of how God answers our prayer is minimized that we can better focus on the knowing that we have asked according to His will. Expectations or hopes based upon human reasoning or human senses, whether it be wind, earthquake, or fire must diminish until not only are we in a position to hear the “still small voice” of the Spirit, but that we are in the spiritual position to receive the “small voice” as being from God.

Once our plans fail; once our designs falter; once our hopes are lost; once we have tried every human resource – God appears! He will rarely make an appearance until we are ready to hear and to obey what He has to say! As long as we continue to trust in our own human strengths we have little need for God’s intervention. To sustain a personal revival you must allow all expectation in human resources to die, that when He speaks, you will be prepared to hear and obey regardless of what any man may say!

“Lord, in Jesus’ name, I surrender now all my human resourcefulness and abilities! I need to hear from You. I want Your plans for my life and I will receive that word without the need for earthquakes, fire or wind! Lord, I’m listening...!