

Message

Title: When You Don't See Hope God Still Sees You

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*“Even in your darkest moments,
God never looks away from you.”*

Introduction

Find a quiet moment this week to listen for God's gentle whisper and let Him nourish your soul.

Have you ever felt overwhelmed and wondered if God still sees you?

This week's message, 'When You Don't See Hope, God Still Sees You', invites us into the story of Elijah and the reality that even after spiritual victories, we can still face moments of despair and feel unseen. Pastor Dom O'Connell walks us through Elijah's journey from the mountaintop of victory to the valley of hopelessness, reminding us that the human experience is full of struggles we can't always explain. Yet, when Elijah ran out of strength, God met him with nourishment, rest, and a gentle whisper, demonstrating that His care and presence never leave us—even in the darkest times.

We are challenged to look beyond adrenaline and busyness for true sustenance and to seek out the gentle, sustaining voice of God in quietness. This isn't about quick fixes but about experiencing God's presence in practical, everyday ways—nourishing our souls with His Word, embracing rest, and paying attention to His whisper. No matter where you are today—on the mountaintop or in the wilderness—God's eyes are on you, and His purpose remains.

Scripture

1 Kings 18 — After many days, Yahweh's word came to Elijah, in the third year, saying, “Go, show yourself to Ahab; and I will send rain on the earth.”



1 Kings 19 — Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword.

John 16:33 —

I have told you these things, that in me you may have peace. In the world you have oppression; but cheer up! I have overcome the world.”

Matthew 11:28-30 —

“Come to me, all you who labor and are heavily burdened, and I will give you rest.

Deuteronomy 8:3 — He humbled you, and allowed you to be hungry, and fed you with manna, which you didn’t know, neither did your fathers know; that he might teach you that man does not live by bread only, but man lives by every word that proceeds out of Yahweh’s mouth.

Don’t Miss This

- God Provides Nourishment: Just as Elijah received bread and water for his journey, we are called to nourish our souls with God's word and presence.
- True Rest Renews: Rest isn’t just physical—it’s spiritual. Only in Jesus do we find the deepest rest our souls need for life’s journey.
- God Speaks in a Whisper: God often meets us in the quiet, not the chaos. Look for His gentle whisper rather than expecting only grand signs.

Let’s Chat

1. What is your first reaction when you feel hopeless—do you run, withdraw, or seek God?
2. Can you relate to Elijah’s sense of despair even after a big victory? Share a personal story if you’re comfortable.
3. What do nourishment and rest practically look like for your walk with God?
4. Why do you think God chose to speak to Elijah in a gentle whisper instead of a dramatic sign?



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5. How can we help each other listen for God's voice and make real space for His presence this week?

