

Sunday Sermon – July 27, 2025

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Theme: Serving God

1 Kings 19:9

“There he went into a cave and spent the night. And the word of the Lord came to him: ‘What are you doing here, Elijah?’”

God did not ask Elijah why he was there, but rather what he was doing there. This is a deep question that God is still asking each of us today: “What are you doing where you are?” God wants to know why we are standing where we are and what we are doing with that opportunity. “Why are you here?”

1. Believe in Jesus Christ

John 6:28–29

“Then they asked him, ‘What must we do to do the works God requires?’ Jesus answered, ‘The work of God is this: to believe in the one he has sent.’”

The first thing God desires is for us to believe in the gift of salvation through Jesus Christ. Faith is the foundation of everything else.

2. Obey Jesus’ Commands and Bear Fruit

Matthew 22:36–40; John 15:8–9

Jesus taught that the greatest commandments are two: to love God and to love others. On these two hang all the Law and the Prophets. Those who love Jesus obey Him and bear fruit. “This is to my Father’s glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples.”

God desires that we be filled with love: love for Him and love for others.

3. Grow in Grace and Knowledge of Christ

2 Peter 3:18

“But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.”

Christianity is not just about believing; it is a journey. A mature believer is known by their actions. We don’t stop at receiving salvation—we become co-workers with Christ in His mission.

4. Spread God's Love and the Gospel

Matthew 28:19–20; 2 Corinthians 2:14

Before ascending to heaven, Jesus gave us the Great Commission: “Go and make disciples of all nations...” We are ambassadors of love and the Gospel. We must use our gifts, time, and strength to spread the fragrance of knowing Christ. Evangelism is at the core of our calling to serve God.

5. Care for Our Families – Both Church and Home

God placed each of us where we are for a reason. Ask yourself: “Why did God place me in this church? In this family? In this workplace?” You are God’s representative wherever you are. God is calling you to serve right where you are and to make a difference starting now.

Conclusion

God asked Elijah: “What are you doing here?”—a powerful question. He asks you the same today: “What are you doing where you are?” Now is the time to reflect deeply, answer truthfully, and begin serving God with purpose—at home, at work, in church, in your community, and throughout the world.