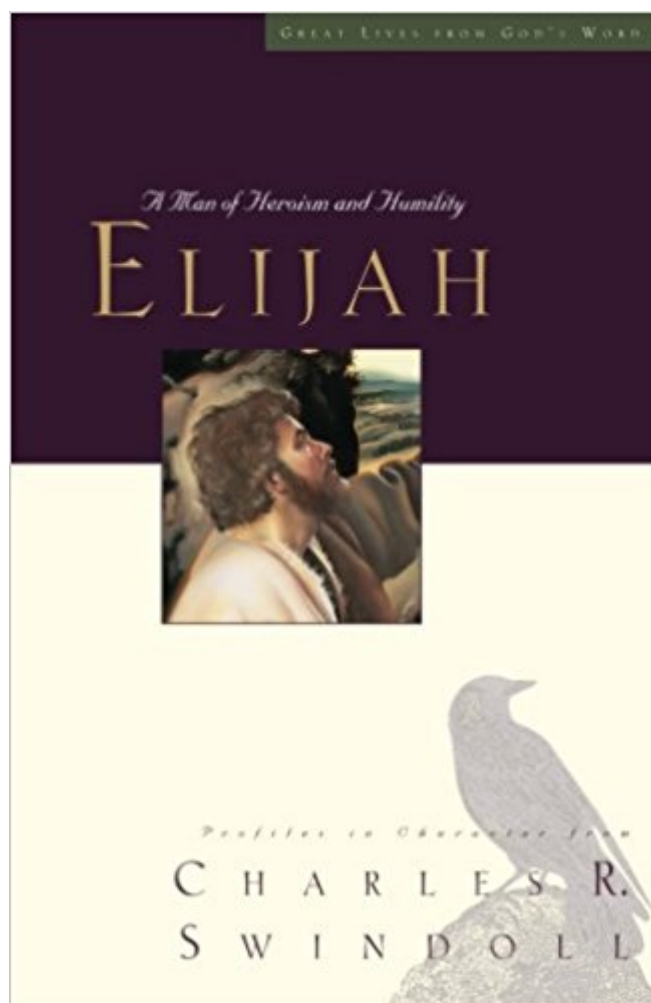


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# Elijah: A Man Of Heroism And Humility (Great Lives Series)



## Synopsis

Where are great leaders like Elijah today? Uncompromisingly strong, yet self-controlled. Disciplined, yet forgiving. Audaciously courageous, yet kind. Heroic in the heat of battle, yet humble in the aftermath. We see a few such men and women, but the list is tragically short. Rarely does someone model these invaluable traits more obviously than God's mighty prophet Elijah, whose calling was anything but calm and free from conflict. Nevertheless, as you are about to discover in this book, Elijah exemplified true heroism and genuine humility amid the relentless pressure of battle. *Elijah: A Man of Heroism and Humility* is the fifth volume in the best-selling *Great Lives from God's Word* series by Charles Swindoll. The series also includes such powerful biographies as Joseph, David, Esther, and Moses. Exploring the depths of Elijah's fascinating life as a prophet of God, Swindoll does not gloss over his human weaknesses; rather, he presents an honest picture of this ordinary man who God transformed into His personal spokesman to confront idolatry and evil in the ancient world. You will find that it's a life worth emulating. In a world that has lost its way, due in part to the lack of balanced, godly leadership, we are more than ever in need of a few Elijah-like men and women who are not afraid to live courageously among their peers as they walk humbly with their God. "May this book establish deep within you a desire to stand strong for what is right as you bow low before Him who is worthy of your trust and obedience." -Charles Swindoll

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## Customer Reviews

Charles R. Swindoll has devoted his life to the clear, practical teaching and application of God's Word. He currently pastors Stonebriar Community Church in Frisco, Texas, and serves as the chancellor of Dallas Theological Seminary. His renowned Insight for Living radio program airs around the world. Chuck and Cynthia, his partner in life and ministry, have four grown children and ten grandchildren.

We live in a dark time in our nation. We have wicked rulers who have no respect for God and his word. It is easy sometimes to look around and think, "I'm the only one left!" Elijah is the story of a man much like you. He hurt like you, he doubted like you, he was scared like you. But God takes this man and patiently builds him into a courageous warrior. Swindoll masterfully breaks down Elijah's life and makes the Eternal truths relevant and easily accessible to today's reader. I was thoroughly encouraged in my walk with Christ and I believe any reader will be encouraged to take a courageous stand for the faith should they read this book.

As with all of Chuck Swindoll's work, this hits the mark. It is about growth, man's struggle, and relationship with God. It is true that no two people are the same but we face many struggles that are similar. With the Bible, God gives us direction as well as people to help us with our growth. Elijah is a great man of faith and this is a fantastic book about his work and faith. If you have never known about Elijah, or if you do, read this insight for life.

I love Swindoll's books, just like I love his teaching. I have been listening to him and reading his books since the early 80s when I first began turning towards the Lord. Chuck Swindoll has a way of putting things that really gets the point across, and his writing style is friendly and warm, even familiar -- just like his teaching style on the radio. Excellent book, as are all the books in this series!

Elijah arrives on the scene in such a subtle and quiet manner that no one sees him coming. Elijah comes to Israel and declares a drought in front of King Ahab (1 Kings 17). After Elijah delivers his news, The Lord tells him to go hide by Brook Cherith where he will supply all his needs. Elijah remains there until The Lord instructs him to go find this widow who will take care of him. The widows son becomes ill and Elijah must use his divine powers to bring her son back to life. The Lord instructs Elijah to go back to Samaria where he must prove The Lord is God. The people of Israel are worshippers of Baal, therefore Elijah is given the task of showing how powerful his god is. Elijah brings their God to shame, then is threatened by Jezebel, so The Lord instructs him to go to Horeb

where he gives a servant Elisha. There is so much power given to Elijah but he never uses it for his own glory. He really tried to help the people of Israel because by serving idol Gods this will lead to their destruction. After Elijah has done the work of The Lord, he is taken to heaven by a whirlwind. The book itself is very informative but there is A LOT of unnecessary information that drags the book along. I appreciate the added information provided but I would love to have the book stay on topic.

Dr. Swindoll is a gifted orator, scholar and writer. His easy-to-read method allows you to soak in the imagery that flows from one page to another. I endorse his biography of Elijah and heartily recommend you read it. Dr. E.C. McKinley

Once again Pastor Charles writes in ways that I can apply in my weirdly worldly life. We are certainly blessed that God has given such a spiritual gift to the good Pastor in order to spiritually help us.

Love, love, love it! I had to purchase a new one because I had given away my other two copies! It was inspirational, educational, resourceful and convicting. Charles Swindoll is truly one of the most gifted Christian authors of our time.

I never read a book that I had to take notes on until now. So I purchased this book not expecting too much of anything but what I got was wisdom, confirmation, knowledge and encouragement. I prayed and asked God to speak to me through this book and as I'm reading currently on chapter 2. I have so much fire burning within and I can't believe it.....so worth the money

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