

DON'T QUIT YET: HOW GOD RESTORES SPIRITUAL LEADERS

1 KINGS 19:1-18 (ESV)

I. Every spiritual _____ experiences _____ of discouragement.

This discouragement can be caused by...

- A. _____ from unbelievers,
- B. _____ by those under your care and influence,
- C. A sense of being _____ in the work, or
- D. A sense that no one else _____ about the work.
- E. When the discouragement of spiritual leaders goes unchecked, it can lead to them giving up on their _____...or even on _____ itself

II. When spiritual leaders grow weary, God provides a way back to _____.

- A. God helps discourage leaders through common and special graces.
 - 1. Common grace is a practical means of God's encouragement available to _____.
 - 2. Special grace is a spiritual means of God's encouragement available only to _____.

B. Some of the common graces meant to encourage spiritual leaders are...

1. Physical _____ and self-care (vss. 4-6),
2. Extended times of _____, renewal, and realignment (vss. 7-9), and
3. The provision of other _____ to help us (vs. 16).

C. Some of the special graces meant to encourage spiritual leaders are...

1. _____ and _____ with God
2. A personal _____ of closeness and intimacy with God.
3. Through the Scriptures...
 - a. The Holy Spirit encourages us with God's _____ and
 - b. We understand the _____ realities behind God's providence and power.
4. The Holy Spirit binding your _____ through the Word and providence to continue or _____ your ministry role.