

SERMON NOTES

1 Kings 17 September 17, 2023

Elijah: Highway to Heaven *Confirmation of the Call* Pastor Scott Suskovic

- I. Introduction – The Inner vs. The Outer Call
 - A. American Idol
 - B. Being a Pastor, Doctor or Rocket Scientist
- II. 1 Kings 17
 - A. Review of last week
 - B. Traveling to a foreign, hostile land
 - C. Two unusual stories of God's confirmation of the outer call
 - D. The widow and her meager food
 - E. The raising up of the widow's son

“Now I know that you are a man of God and that the word of the Lord in your mouth is truth.”

What strikes you as significant with these stories?

What remaining questions do you have?

- III. Fighting the Call
 - A. Who is scripture fought the outer confirmation of the call?
 - B. When the inner and the outer calls don't like up.
 - 1. Only the inner call – life of frustration
 - 2. Only the outer call - life of unfulfillment
- IV. Our Baptismal Call
 - A. “Come, take up your cross and follow me.”
 - B. It is never easy.
 - C. But what?