Keep Digging Deeper

A five-minute audio study from Bible teacher Woodrow Kroll with a challenge to apply the message. Listen or read via email.

**SAMPLE MESSAGE:**

**Obeying God Even When it Doesn’t Make Sense**

*Tami Weissert:* Sometimes God asks us to do stuff that just doesn’t make sense. That’s hard. And that kinda describes Elijah’s story. That’s where Dr. Kroll is teaching today in I Kings 17. Here’s a little setup. Elijah is the prophet of God. The King of Israel at the time is Ahab, who is completely wicked. As a result the people of Israel had turned away from the Lord and they’re worshiping the pagan god of Baal who was the god of rain. Now the Lord had had enough so he sent Elijah to deliver the message that there will be a drought over the land. This, to show the people that the god of Baal was no god at all.

*Bible Teacher Woodrow Kroll:* 1 Kings chapter 17 verse 1. “And Elijah the Tishbite, of the inhabitants of Gilead, said to Ahab, ‘As the Lord God of Israel lives, before whom I stand, there shall not be dew nor rain these years, except at my word’” (NKJV).

First of all, do you know how many times Elijah appears in the Bible before this verse? Zero. None. This is the very first time his name occurs in the Bible, and notice there’s not a lot of introduction here.

... You see, at some point in our lives, folks, we have to come to the conclusion: We don’t need to understand God in order to obey God. God doesn’t say, “If you understand what I’m asking you, then obey.” No, the choice is for us, Do you obey God whether we understand what He’s doing or not? That’s the choice and the challenge that this man Elijah had to face.

*Tami Weissert:* We have a choice to make: Are we willing to obey God even when we don’t understand what he’s doing in our lives? And are we going trust God when we don’t see him at work? You need to consider that for your own life. How does the story of Elijah encourage you today?