

and overrode, and excited, he saw that God had said that the drought would come to an end, when Elijah was permitted to pronounce this fact to Ahab. Elijah cannot simply say, Ahab's gone home and the drought is over. No. Elijah had to, Elijah said to Ahab, Get up and eat and drink. There is sound of abundance of rain. But then Elijah/began to fail. He was tired. He went up to the top of a mountain, and he looked and he said to his servant, Go up and look toward the sea. Elijah-said He said, there is nothing. Elijah says, there is always nothing. The drought is going to continue and are we all going to die? He says to the servant, -and-said; Go up and again and look. The servant comes down and says, I don't see any sign of rain. He keeps this up. Just looking all the edge, to wonder, Is God going to carry out His work? God has always carried out His work this far. He always stood behind Elijah. He had used Elijah in a marvellous way, and/later on in the ... when he pronounced the Word of God against Naboth and when he stood against Ahaziah and his servants in the II Kings 1 and yet he-hadtob-- he had to be excited and upset until he actually sees the evidence of rain. Finally on the seventh time, the servant comes back and says, a little cloud is coming out of the sea. It is as small as man's hand. Now, Elijah says, Here/now, God is going to bring it to pass after all. He says to Ahab, Make ready your chariot and go down quickly that the rain may not stop you. And-that The hand of the Lord was on Elijah. Elijah was full of energy. He was full of excitement. He was realxed, He was rested, but instead of that, he girded up his loins and ran before Ahab all the distance from Carmel to Jezreal. How exhausted he must have been to do that.

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But the failure that any of us can fall into when we are overexcited, when we are-over- have done a great work for God, it is time to stop. It is time to relax. It is time to listen to the still quiet voice of God. Instead of doing that, how often we stop and how often we rush on and- without stopping to wait, without stopping to think. We go against what we know we ought to do because of the earthly excitement that is upon us. -Ahab--- Elijah's overstrain and overtiredness became so much worse that the empty threat