



# Trans-form Notes

## IMAGES OF GOD The God of Omnipotence

**Reflect:** (Spend time with God thinking about these statements or questions)

- ❖ Take some time to read and meditate on I Kings 18-19:9.

**Interact:** (Discuss the following questions with your group, some friends, or just you and God)

- ❖ Read 1 Kings 18 together. How do you feel about God, after reading this story? What does this story say about the character of God? What sort of faith would you say Elijah had? What do you think God may be desiring for you, as related to this passage?
- ❖ Where and when have you experienced the inner strength or presence of God? Explain.
- ❖ Read 1 Kings 19:19. Elijah has gone from the highest of heights experiencing God's power, now to the lowest of lows. Why do you think Elijah became so scared even after experience so much of God? Have you ever felt like Elijah in this passage? Explain.
- ❖ How did God take care of Elijah in the midst of his low? Was it the same revelation of His power as in chapter 18? Where have you noticed the small steady strengthening of God?
- ❖ Can you recall a time in your life when you made a decision when you were at a "high" point with God, but reversed your decision when resistance came? Explain the high but also describe the resistance. Can you recall a time when you stayed with a decision that you made at a "high" point with God, even though you came up against resistance? Explain and compare your feelings about the two situations.
- ❖ What role does submission play, if one believes that God is omnipotent? How did Elijah submit to God? How did he not submit in this story?
- ❖ What is your reaction to the word *submission*?

- ❖ How is submitting to God's will and relying on His strength difficult? Read Genesis 4:7. What issues or sins do you have a hard time confronting in yourself? Based on the story of Elijah what do you think the results would be if you faced your issues with God? Discuss.

**Apply:** (Look for ways to apply at least one concept to your life)

- ❖ Consider a character flaw or sin in your life that would like God to transform. What spiritual discipline might help you cooperate with God in His transforming work? Willing practice the discipline for a specific period of time. Submit your process to a trusted friend and share your experience with him/her.