Introduction:

A. Who was this Elijah that was so much like us?
   1. Mention by name 30 times in N.T. — Compare Isaiah 21, Jeremiah 3.
   2. John the Baptist came in his power and spirit. (Luke 1:17)
   3. On the Mt. of transfiguration. (Matt. 17:4,5)
   4. Lived Israel in days of Ahab.

B. O. T. presents several pictures of Elijah with lessons for us today.

Discussion:

II. Elijah: “A Man Of God.” (1 Kings 17:24)
   A. God provided for him.
      1. Ravens (1 Kgs. 17:1-7)
      2. Widow (1 Kgs. 17:8-16)
   B. God confirmed him. (1 Kgs. 17:17-24)
   C. God answered him. (Jas. 5:17ff; 1 Kings 18:41-45)
   D. God took him home. (2 Kgs. 2)

III. Elijah: A “Troubler Of Israel.” (1 Kings 18:17,18)
   A. He troubled Jezebel. (1 Kings 19:1,2)
   B. He trouble Ahab and Jezebel over their killing of Naboth. (1 Kings 21)

IV. Elijah: A Challenger Of Prophets. (1 Kings 18:20-40)
   A. The challenge (v. 1)
   B. The antics of the prophets. (v.25-29)
   C. The mocking of Elijah. (v. 27)
   D. The victory for Elijah. (30-40)

V. Elijah: “A Man Of Like Passions As Us.” (Jas.5:17 KJV)
   A. Elijah under Juniper tree. (1 Kings 19:4-8)
   B. Elijah in the cave. (1 Kings 19:9-10)
   C. Elijah at the cave entrance. (1 Kings 19:11-14)
   D. Elijah is reassured. (1 Kings 19:18)

Conclusion:

A. We need men like John with “spirit and power of Elijah”
B. We need to understand “effectual fervent prayers of righteousness men avail much”
C. We need to understand that God will provide - if we will be righteous.