

THE GOD WHO ANSWERS WITH FIRE

1Kgs. 18:24 (20-40) *“Then you call on the name of your god, and I will call on the name of the LORD, and **the God who answers by fire, He is God.**” And all the people said, “That is a good idea.”* Baal was the god of rain and storm. Idols of him depicted him with a club in one hand and a lightning flash in the other. Elijah knew that the prophets of Baal thought their pagan deity could and would bring lightning (fire) from the sky, that’s why he said “and the God who answers by fire”. He showed them that their fire god was a hoax, like all the other pagan gods.

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