Part 2: What God Do You Serve?

Think About It
When (Ahab) saw Elijah, he said to him, "Is that you, you trouble of Israel?" "I have not made trouble for Israel," Elijah replied. "But you and your father's family have. You have abandoned the Lord's commands and have followed the Baals. 1 Kings 18:17-18 (NIV)

Discussion Starter
Why do you think people tend to idolize entertainers, musicians and athletes?

Further Exploration
Read 1 Kings 18:17-18
• False gods promise what only the one true God can provide.. What false gods do you see being worshipped in the culture around you?
• Christians believe there is one true God, but sometimes we unintentionally serve false gods. What are one or two false gods that continue to resurface in your life?
• What do these false gods promise you that only God can provide?

Read 1 Kings 18:19-21
• What might help you quit wavering between false gods and the one True God?

Read 1 Kings 18:24, 26
• Describe a time when you depended on one of the false gods you mentioned earlier instead of depending on God. What comfort did you think you’d find in that god? Did you find it?

Read 1 Kings 18:36-39
• God answered Elijah’s prayer and revealed Himself to Elijah and the people of Israel. How has God revealed Himself to you in the past? In what way is God currently revealing Himself in your life that may be new and different?

Pray
False gods promise what only the True God provides. With your group, ask God to help you be aware of any false gods in your life. Ask God for strength and wisdom to leave the false gods behind and put your trust in Him in every area of your life.

Apply
How might God use you this week to confront someone you know that is worshiping a false god?
Moving Forward This Week
Here are some suggestions you may want to use for your time with God this week:

Day 1: Read 1 Kings 18:17-18. Pray and ask God to help you remove any false idols in your life.
Day 2: Read 1 Kings 18:19-21. Tell God about any idols that you seem to be constantly battling in your life. Ask for His help in defeating that idol.
Day 4: Read 1 Kings 18:27. Pray for those you know struggling with false idols. Ask God to release them from the hold these idols have on them.
Day 5: Read 1 Kings 18:36-39. Ask God to reveal Himself to you in prayer. Listen for His voice.