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**"INVEST IN THE NEXT"**  
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**TEXT:** 1 Kings 19:1-21

**VALUE 5 OF 6: INVEST IN THE NEXT**

**THE VALUE DEFINED:** Our desire is to take every opportunity to invest in the next generation and effectively steward a leadership pipeline to ensure the future of the church.

The journey to *Invest in the Next* for Elijah:

1) Elijah did not start in a good place either mentally or in ministry (vv. 1-8).

**TRUTH:** Elijah needed a reminder about the true source of life.

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2) Elijah needed to answer the question, "What are you doing here?" (vv. 9-14).

**TRUTH:** It is all too easy for us to look inward instead of toward God.

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3) Elijah needed a reminder from God (vv. 15-18).

**REMINDER 1:** God is in the big and small moments.

**REMINDER 2:** You are not alone.

**REMINDER 3:** God has a purpose for you: Invest in the Next.

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4) Elijah needed to be obedient (vv. 19-21).

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**MEMORY VERSE:** Romans 5:17—*For if, because of one man's trespass, death reigned through that one man, much more will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man Jesus Christ.*

