

Daily Homily
10 Week in Ordinary Time
Wednesday
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Out of all the prophets in the Old Testament, I think Elijah is my favorite.

The quality that I love about him include that fact that he is so uninhibitedly confident about what the Lord God can do and will do.

This scene captures that. Elijah is it. The only one left. The last prophet of the Lord God. He stands alone. Elijah is on one side and he comes against the popular, socially acceptable, endorsed by the government of the day, 450 prophets of Baal – the God of pleasure and self-seeking and self-endorsement. Even though the numbers are against him, Elijah is not swayed ... he is uninhibited and confident in what the Lord God can do.

Then the whole test... the altar set up for sacrifice. Being the gentleman, Elijah allows the 450 prophets of Baal to go first. And they parade around and make quite a show, a spectacle of themselves even. And nothing happens.

Elijah is up. He doesn't cause a scene. He actually makes his test more challenging. He pours four jars of water over the wood on the altar of sacrifice. And God answers with fire.

That's what I am praying for today. I would encourage you to do the same... pray for an uninhibited confidence in God, and just like Elijah and just like what we saw at Pentecost, may the Lord God answer with fire.