

God is > Ups & Downs – Week 2 – 7-23-23 – Pastor Jason
How Long Will You Waver?

1. Would you consider yourself to be spontaneous or a planner?
2. What kinds decisions are tough for you to make?

Read 1 Kings 18:16-39

3. In this passage Elijah is called a troublemaker for Israel, though he was doing what God had told him to. Have you ever been criticized for doing what's right?
4. How does Elijah respond to being called a troublemaker? How would you respond?

1 Kings 18:21 - Elijah went before the people and said, "How long will you waver between two opinions? If the LORD is God, follow him; but if Baal is God, follow him." But the people said nothing.

5. Read verse 21 again. Why do you think that Israel was wavering in following Baal or God?
6. In what areas of life do you tend to waver?
7. Does the Israelites' response to Elijah (in verse 21) surprise you? Why or why not?
8. What are some reasons why we waver with decisions in our life and faith?
9. What decisions are you wavering with now?
10. Below is a list of some specific things that God asks every follower of His to do. Are there any of these areas where you are wavering?

- Gather with other believers
- Be Baptized
- Read the Bible
- Pray Regularly
- Live Righteously
- Serve Others
- Give Generously
- Show Love
- Share Jesus

11. How can our focus on our hurts & troubles keep us from seeing God working in these times?
12. How is believing in Jesus different from following Jesus?
13. In what ways do you intentionally plan your life to follow Jesus?
14. Where are you not following, trusting or listening to Jesus?