

Introduction

- I. We live in times very much like Elijah's time: the truth of God's Word is under attack.
- II. What is especially encouraging to the church in these days is Elijah's final victory.

**The Prophet Standing for Jehovah
(12) Final Victory**

I. The Amazing Departure

- A. Knowing God would take Elijah away to heaven, Elijah and Elisha travelled...
 1. As they talked, a chariot of fire and horses of fire appeared and Elijah went to heaven.
 2. Notice first the chariot of fire and horses of fire.
 3. In this way Elijah was taken by a wonder from earth to heaven.
 4. What a stunning and amazing event for two things happened:

II. The Personal Victory

- A. God graciously gave His faithful Elijah the crown of righteousness that fades not away.
 1. Elijah went from the church militant to the church triumphant.
 2. At the end of his life, Elijah could make the confession of Paul in 2 Timothy 4:6-8.

- B. In this victory of Elijah, we see the reward of grace for all those who believe in Christ., know Christ, and love Christ.
 1. We have a reward in Jesus Christ.
 2. This will happen at the time appointed by God. Two ways to look at this:
 3. This is the reward of those who diligently seek Him.

III. The Victorious Word

- A. We see it in Elijah's victory for he is the messenger of God's Word.
- B. Secondly, we see this victory in the man given by God to carry the mantle of preaching.