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necessary to put yourself in the situation or keep yourself in the situation where you can be used of the Lord to carry on and do this next step.

Peer Elijah. After the tremendous work for which he deserves tremendous credit, he failed at this point and the work had to wait until Elisha could be trained and until Elisha could take over. And there was less, there was a tremendous step in that which was utterly unnecessary.

Well now its easy to see how Elijah would act as he did. And it's easy to see how Elijah would feel discouraged and disappointed over it all. As you read on in these next few chapters it is very sad to read about ~~how~~ how Elijah got so gruff. God told him to go and anoint Elisha. He said, Anoint Elisha to be prophet in your place. So what did he do? He went to the place where Elisha the son of Shaphat was plowing with 12 yoke of oxen and Elijah passed by and cast his coat over him and Elisha left the oxen and ran after Elijah and said, Let me I pray kill my father and my mother and then I'll follow thee. And he said unto him, Go back, what have I done to thee? And he went back and he took a yoke of oxen and slew them and boiled their flesh with the instrument of the oxen and gave to the ^{people} people and they ate and then he arose and went after Elijah. and ministered unto him.

And in later years they said, Who is this man Elisha? Why they said, Why he's the man that used to pour water over the hands of Elijah. He did the simple little menial tasks for Elijah all the time learning from him. He was to be an apprentice and to learn. He was humble, but he was intelligent. And he was studying. Why did he run the minute Elijah threw his cloak over him and go after him? It is very obvious he'd been thinking about these things. He'd been thinking about Elijah. He knew what Elijah had done on Mt. Carmel. He knew how the ~~the~~ people needed the work of Elijah. He said, Oh how I wish I could serve the Lord like that. And then when this wild looking fellow comes by that most of the people were not paying attention to much; they did not even realize that this was perhaps the great man who had done the great work on Carmel, ~~Elisha~~/Elisha recognised him and when he threw the coat, Elisha knew it was the call to him to come and follow him. And he ran after him. And he (Elijah) said, What have I got to do with you? Go back. But ~~he~~ he waited for him you know. He waited while he gave the farewell dinner to his family.

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