

Yes Lord  
(And Wakes 15)

## MP 518 MUSIC - PRAYERS

A few weeks ago, for the Feast of the Transfiguration, we had a kind of opposite biblical reaction to the one of Elijah lying down under the furze bush unwilling to go anyplace further. Then, you remember, Peter, James and John, so entranced, ecstatic about the vision of Jesus transfigured on the mountain top & accompanied by Moses & Elias, wanted to stop and stay there, in a permanent dwelling place. But Jesus reminded them that life goes on — life which is never static and can't be stopped at the high points of joy and happiness, or at the low points of depression and sadness. For it's a pilgrimage we are on, to our Father's house. There's always the temptation to stop along the road, to rest in something that we find attractive — a place, a relationship, security. If we do, then it becomes harder to go on because we begin to trust and rely on, not God Himself, but something that is less than He. Not that we shouldn't form ties, grow roots — but whatever it is has to be nourished by God's grace if we're going to grow and develop into the perfect fulness of brothers & sisters of Christ, children of our Father in heaven who waits to receive us when joy is perfect, the beautiful music doesn't come to an end. On the way there, though, there are bound to be "Elijah" times, and worse: for we go with Christ, who had to suffer and to die and so come to the glory of His resurrection.