Elijah Fed by the Ravens, by Cody F. Miller



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"Most important is to take risks," says Cody F. Miller in describing his artistic process—"to let go of the familiar and the usual and consent to the new and unknown." This approach is evident in his series on biblical figures such as Moses and Elijah, who dare to trust God. Using papercuts, paint, texture, and patterns, Miller builds designs that weave portrait and story. In this image of Elijah, we meet the prophet at perhaps his weakest moment, hiding in the Kerith Ravine east of the Jordan River. Even in his despondency he is sustained by God, who had commanded the ravens to provide him with food.