

## Sermon Scripture Passage: I Kings 17:7-24

7 And after a while the brook dried up, because there was no rain in the land.

8 Then the word of the Lord came to him, 9 “Arise, go to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and dwell there. Behold, I have commanded a widow there to feed you.” 10 So he arose and went to Zarephath. And when he came to the gate of the city, behold, a widow was there gathering sticks. And he called to her and said, “Bring me a little water in a vessel, that I may drink.” 11 And as she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, “Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand.” 12 And she said, “As the Lord your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of flour in a jar and a little oil in a jug. And now I am gathering a couple of sticks that I may go in and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it and die.” 13 And Elijah said to her, “Do not fear; go and do as you have said. But first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterward make something for yourself and your son. 14 For thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, ‘The jar of flour shall not be spent, and the jug of oil shall not be empty, until the day that the Lord sends rain upon the earth.’” 15 And she went and did as Elijah said. And she and he and her household ate for many days. 16 The jar of flour was not spent, neither did the jug of oil become empty, according to the word of the Lord that he spoke by Elijah.

17 After this the son of the woman, the mistress of the house, became ill. And his illness was so severe that there was no breath left in him. 18 And she said to Elijah, “What have you against me, O man of God? You have come to me to bring my sin to remembrance and to cause the death of my son!” 19 And he said to her, “Give me your son.” And he took him from her arms and carried him up into the upper chamber where he lodged, and laid him on his own bed. 20 And he cried to the Lord, “O Lord my God, have you brought calamity even upon the widow with whom I sojourn, by killing her son?” 21 Then he stretched himself upon the child three times and cried to the Lord, “O Lord my God, let this child's life come into him again.” 22 And the Lord listened to the voice of Elijah. And the life of the child came into him again, and he revived. 23 And Elijah took the child and brought him down from the upper chamber into the house and delivered him to his mother. And Elijah said, “See, your son lives.” 24 And the woman said to Elijah, “Now I know that you are a man of God, and that the word of the Lord in your mouth is truth.”

### **Scripture References:**

Isaiah 55: 8-9 – *“For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways,” declares the Lord. 9 “As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.*

James 1:27 – *Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world.*

John 6:68-69 – *Simon Peter answered him, “Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. 69 We have come to believe and to know that you are the Holy One of God.”*

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Elijah: The Lonely Prophet #2 – 1 Kings 17:7-24– The Widow and the Prophet

Recap: Elijah confronted King \_\_\_\_\_ over building a temple for the Canaanite god \_\_\_\_\_ in Israel. The Lord withholds sending \_\_\_\_\_ and sends Elijah to \_\_\_\_\_ in the wilderness.

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1 Kings 17:8-9 When the brook dries up God sends Elijah to Zarephath in \_\_\_\_\_.

17:10-12 The Lord uses a widow who has run out of \_\_\_\_\_ to provide for Elijah.

17:13-16 *Why does Elijah tell her to make some bread for him \_\_\_\_\_ before herself?  
What does it say to us that she trusted him and did it?*

James 2 tells us that faith that is not put into action is \_\_\_\_\_. *Why is that?*  
God acts miraculously so that the jar of \_\_\_\_\_ and jug of \_\_\_\_\_ refills each day.  
*Can you imagine other ways God could have provided? Why this way?*

17:17-18 She responds to her son's death by viewing it as God's \_\_\_\_\_ for her sin.

17:19-22 Rather than correct her wrong ideas, Elijah instead springs into \_\_\_\_\_.

17:23-24 *After receiving her son back, what is the woman now convinced of?*

Parallels between Elijah the Prophet and Jesus the Son of God

Mark 5 Miracle with raising a \_\_\_\_\_ back to life

Mark 6 Miracle with providing \_\_\_\_\_ to hungry people

Mark 7 Encounter with a desperate mother near \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

Mark 8 / John 6 Disciples learning to trust in His \_\_\_\_\_.

John 6:68-69 – Simon Peter answered him, “Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of \_\_\_\_\_ life. 69 We have come to believe and to know that you are the Holy One of God.”

*How does someone become convinced that God's Word is true and \_\_\_\_\_?*

**Daily Bread:** *How is the Lord teaching you to trust Him in your day-to-day Life?*

## Sermon Handout Answers:

### *Fill in the Blank Answers:*

- *Ahab*
- *Baal*
- *Rain*
- *Hide*
- *Phoenicia*
- *Flour / bread*
- *First*
- *Dead*
- *Flour*
- *Oil*
- *Judgement*
- *Action*
- *Child*
- *Bread*
- *Tyre and Sidon*
- *Words*
- *Eternal*
- *Reliable*
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