

God's Provision and My Crisis

In this Series . . .

1. We are reminded that no matter how _____ we may be, there are still times of growing and _____ in our faith. (Even Biblical giants have _____!)

James 5:17 *Elijah was a man just like us. . . .*

2. We will learn that God has a _____, a response and a lesson for every situation that we face and that _____ is the key to our continued spiritual growth.

Scripture - 1 Kings 17:7-24

The World's View of Power vs. the Power of God

"The power of God is that ability and strength whereby He can bring to pass whatsoever He pleases, whatsoever His infinite wisdom may direct, and whatsoever the infinite purity of His will may resolve...." -- Charnock, 1628-1680

Provisions in My Crisis

1. The brook _____ to a mere _____ and then _____.

7 Some time later the brook dried up because there was no rain in the land. *8* Then the word of the Lord came to him: *9* "God at once to Zarephath of Sidon and stay there. I have commanded a widow to supply you with food." *10* So he went to Zarephath.

God didn't send Elijah to Zarephath because there wasn't _____. He sent him to Zarephath because there was a _____ he needed to meet.

"...Some time later..." The _____ was to be a _____ meeting.

Elijah may have thought he was in the _____ when he was really in the _____.



When your brook dries up don't _____ in God. Continue to _____ in obedience.

2. The widow was without _____ for herself and her son.
12 "As surely as the Lord YOUR God lives," she replied, "I don't have any bread---only a handful of flour in a jar and a little oil in a jug. I am gathering a few sticks to take home and make a meal for myself and my son, that we may eat it---and die."

Elijah dealt with her _____ of starvation by issuing a strange _____: "Bring me a cake _____."

The jar of _____ and the _____ did not run dry.

The power of _____.

She put _____ and _____ first.

"Give us today our daily bread". Matthew 6:11

"But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you." Matthew 6:33

3. The widow's son got sick and _____.

17 Some time later the son of the woman who owned the house became ill. He grew worse and worse, and finally stopped breathing. *18* She said to Elijah, "What do you have against me, man of God" Did you come to remind me of my sin and kill my son?"

It was an illness that _____ led to her son's death. It caused her to _____ Elijah and his God.

Elijah responded with _____.

Elijah prayed _____ and _____ to God's mercy.

Elijah made a _____ request: Let this boy's _____ return to him.

_____ God with the _____! Past _____ give us confidence for the _____.

Lessons in the midst of CRISIS:

The _____ place to be is where _____ told you to be!

The _____ thing to _____ is what _____ told you to give!

The _____ prayer to _____ is the _____ God asks you to pray!

As a result of my Christian _____, are people _____ God?