

Calvary Kids

September 12th and 13th 2020
God provided in miraculous ways.
Bible Passage: 1 Kings 17



MEMORY VERSE

"I am the Lord ... I will not give
my glory to another."
Isaiah 42:8

**Thank you so much for watching our Calvary Kids online message today!!
Here are some fun ways to dig deeper into today's lesson with the entire family.**

1. TODAY'S BIBLE LESSON SUMMARY

Elijah was a prophet. He gave God's messages to the people. One day, he went to King Ahab, the evil king of Israel. God sent Elijah to give the king a message: "No dew or rain would fall for years, until I say so. No rain meant no food or water! God told Elijah to go to a place near a stream and I will take care of you. God said ravens would provide food for Elijah to eat. Elijah obeyed God. Ravens brought bread and meat, and Elijah drank from the stream. After a while, the stream dried up because there was no rain. God told Elijah to go to small village and a woman in the town will help you. The woman was a widow; her husband had died. At the gate of the town, Elijah saw the widow gathering wood. "Please give me a little water and bread." The woman was sad. She and her son did not have enough food to eat. The woman said, "I only have a little bit of flour and oil." "Don't be afraid," Elijah said. "Bring me a small piece of bread. Then go make bread for yourself and your son. God will not let the oil or flour run until He makes it rain again." The woman obeyed and made bread. The woman's oil and flour did not run out, just like the Lord had said. She and her son had plenty to eat. Sometime later, the widow's son got sick and he stopped breathing. Elijah laid the boy on the bed. He cried out to God, stretched himself over the boy three times, and cried out to God again: "God, please let this boy live!" God listened to Elijah and let the boy live again! Elijah led the to his mother. She said to Elijah, "Now I know you are a man of God, and the Lord really does speak through you. The words you speak from God are true."

2. EXPERIENCE THE STORY

- **Family Activity (Do the following activity together as a family to reinforce the Bible Lesson and spend time together.)**
- For a fun family activity, everyone will draw their "Favorite Meal." Provide each family member a paper plate. You will need markers, crayons or colored pencils for everyone to share. If you knew you would not eat again for a very long time, what would you choose to eat? Invite everyone to draw on their plates, what they would want to eat for their most favorite meal. Have everyone share what their favorite meal is and why it is their favorite. Talk about how during a drought, there isn't enough rain to grow crops of food, that are needed to feed people. As a result, people may go hungry for long periods of time. In our lesson we learned about how God provided a widow and her son with more food than they expected during the time of drought. They did not go hungry. God took care of the widow and her son. God takes care of us, too! He took care of our greatest need when He sent His Son, Jesus to die on the cross for our sins. Jesus frees us from sin and gives us life forever with Him.

3. FAMILY DISCUSSION QUESTIONS (Have a family discussion about the Bible Lesson and ask the following questions. Retell the story if needed by reading the Bible Passages from our lesson.)

1. **Who was the king of Israel when Elijah told of the famine?** (Ahab was the king of Israel at this time.)
2. **How did God provide for Elijah during the drought?** (He sent Ravens which brought him food and provided a stream for Elijah to drink from.)
3. **Who did God say would help Elijah in the village?** (A widow, a woman whose husband had passed away.)
4. **What did the widow say when Elijah asked her for bread?** (She told Elijah that she did not have any bread. I only have a little bit of flour and oil.)

5. **What did God do to the widow's little bit of flour and oil?** (God kept her flour and oil from running out.)
6. **What did Elijah's miracles prove to the widow?** (Elijah's miracles were proof that God was working through him. The widow told Elijah after her son was healed that she knew he was a man of God, because only God can do miracles.)
7. **What are ways, God has provided for you and your family?** (Discuss different ways that God provides for us. Things such as homes, food, friends are all good blessings from God.)
8. **What was God's ultimate provision for people?** (We are all born sinners and our greatest need is salvation. God provided the only way to be saved from sin is through Jesus. When we trust in Jesus, He removes our sins and gives us salvation.)

4. PRACTICE THE MEMORY VERSE: Isaiah 42:8 (Help kids memorize and understand their Bible Verse.)

"I am the Lord...I will not give my glory to another."

SAY: Our memory verse comes from the writings of the prophet Isaiah. Isaiah was a prophet like Elijah. The verse teaches us that God does not allow anyone or anything to take away His glory. God's glory is His greatness and He will not share it with anyone else. God shows us that no other gods are real or powerful and God will not allow His people to worship false gods. God loves us and He knows that idols are not real and do nothing for us. We can be tempted to turn away, from God. God reminds us to keep our focus on Him alone, the one true God. God wants us to worship Him and only Him. God loves us perfectly and provides us with everything we need.

5. FAMILY REFLECTION AND PRAYER: (Time to reflect on the over arching theme of our Bible Lesson and spend time in Prayer.)

SAY: In today's lesson, the people were suffering because of a drought. God held back rain so there was no food or water. God had warned that this would happen if the people disobeyed His commands by worshipping false idols instead of Him. God sent Elijah to find a widow, take care of her and make her sick son well. God sent His own Son, Jesus, to free us from sin and gives us life forever. Jesus provides salvation for us in a miraculous way.

For some additional activities and discussion questions, please check out the Family Experience Page below.

FAMILY EXPERIENCE

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“The Church Has Left The Building”
Parents remember: “Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old, he will not depart from it.” Proverbs 22:6
We miss you!!!

MAIN POINT: 1 Kings 17

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FAMILY TIME QUESTIONS

- Why did the widow’s oil and flour not run out?
- How did God provide for Elijah? For the widow and her son?
- How does God provide for us?

FAMILY ACTIVITY

Spend time together as a family.

■ For a fun family activity, play a game of wants and needs. Have an adult create a list of different items that family members might want and items that they need. Instruct the family to raise their hand if the item is a want and cross their arms if it is a need. Some of the items may be both a want and a need. Take turns allowing everyone to explain their reasoning. Here is list of suggested items: Video Games, food, television, love, air, school, Jesus, cell phone, water, or a puppy. Discuss the differences between a need and a want. Talk about how Jesus provides salvation for us and He wants to take care of us.

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