



Message Study Guide

(Scriptures & quotes from this week's message are available on thorncreek.church/live)

Warming up

1. If you had enough money, resources, and time, what would you do? What dream would you accomplish, if you had enough?

Digging Deeper & Application

Take your time reading the scripture given. If possible look up the verses in different versions and pause at each verse and discuss it.

2. Read 1 Kings 17:1-7. What strikes you about this passage?
3. God used ravens to feed Elijah!
 - a. Compare with Leviticus 11:13-15. God used an unclean animal to feed Elijah.
 - b. Does this surprise you?
 - c. Why or why not?
 - d. Are there times today when God does something similar? Explain.
4. Scripture says, "the brook dried up." God provided water for Elijah at this brook. Are there times "the brook dries up" in our life? Have you ever experienced this in your life?
5. Read 1 Kings 17:8-16.
 - a. What is God drawing your attention to in these verses?
 - b. This woman was getting ready to die. Is it surprising to you that she stopped her plan to get Elijah some water?
 - c. Is it hard for you to step out of your suffering to help someone else? Why or why not?
 - d. Do you think this woman was afraid?
 - e. What do you think she was afraid of?
 - f. In what ways can we be gripped with fear?
 - g. In what ways can you identify with this woman?



- h. What would have happened if she didn't get Elijah a glass of water?
 - i. What would have happened if she didn't believe Elijah?
 - j. What would have happened if she stayed in her fear?
6. Read 1 Kings 17:17-24.
- a. What are your thoughts?
 - b. Why would God allow this to happen?

Application

Below are some of the points or quotes shared in the message.
Discuss how they apply to your life.

- We underestimate what God can do with:
 - ...one seed.
 - ...one person.
 - ...two fish and five loaves.
 - ...one dream.
 - ...one person.
 - ...one conversation.
 - ...a little faith.
 - ...one word.
 - ...one visit at church.
- God led Elijah to
 - An old woman
 - A gentile woman
 - A widowed woman
 - A poor woman
- Sometimes God will use that very problem that you have been praying for God to remove.
- If you can't step out of "feeling sorry for yourself", then you'll miss out on what God is doing in front of you.
- Has it ever dawned on you that your best days, what you will be remembered for, what will be written about...are what will happen in your future and not in your past?