

RAVENS AND WIDOWS

1 Kings 17

Big Idea: *When everything else dries up, God still shows up.*

¹ “Now Elijah the Tishbite, who was of the settlers of Gilead, said to Ahab, ‘As the Lord, the God of Israel lives, before whom I stand, surely there shall be neither dew nor rain these years, except by my word.’ ² The word of the Lord came to him, saying, ³ ‘Go away from here and turn eastward, and hide yourself by the brook Cherith, which is east of the Jordan. ⁴ It shall be that you will drink of the brook, and I have commanded the ravens to provide for you there.’ ⁵ So he went and did according to the word of the Lord, for he went and lived by the brook Cherith, which is east of the Jordan. ⁶ The ravens brought him bread and meat in the morning and bread and meat in the evening, and he would drink from the brook.”

1. God is reminding us that _____
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¹⁵ “So she went and did according to the word of Elijah, and she and he and her household ate for *many* days. ¹⁶ The bowl of flour was not exhausted nor did the jar of oil become empty, according to the word of the Lord which He spoke through Elijah.”

Luke 11:28 “But He said, ‘On the contrary, blessed are those who hear the word of God and observe it.’”

Matthew 7:24 “Therefore everyone who hears these words of Mine and acts on them, may be compared to a wise man who built his house on the rock.”

2. God is reminding us that what feels like _____
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²³ “Elijah took the child and brought him down from the upper room into the house and gave him to his mother; and Elijah said, ‘See, your son is alive.’

²⁴ Then 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.’”

John 9:1-3 “As He passed by, He saw a man blind from birth. ² And His disciples asked Him, ‘Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he would be born blind?’ ³ Jesus answered, ‘*It was* neither *that* this man sinned, nor his parents; but *it was* so that the works of God might be displayed in him.’”

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