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AI-Assisted Bible Study for 1 Kings 17

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Headings

Widow's flour and oil never run out.

Widow's son raised from the dead.

Elijah fed by ravens.

Short Summaries

1_Kings_17 tells the story of Elijah, a prophet of God who is instructed by God to go to the Widow of Zarephath's house. Once there, Elijah performs a miracle by bringing the widow's son back to life.

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1_Kings 17 tells the story of the prophet Elijah and how he was able to bring a dead boy back to life. Elijah prayed to God and God answered his prayer, bringing the boy back to life.

Summaries

Elijah is told by God to go and live by a brook, where he is fed by Ravens. The brook dries up, so Elijah is told to go to a widow in Zarephath. Elijah helps the widow's son when he dies, and he is then fed by the widow.

Elijah is instructed by God to go to Zarephath, where he will be cared for by a widow. When he arrives, he finds that the widow's son has died, and he raises the boy from the dead. The widow's faith is restored, and she and her son live with Elijah for the rest of his days.

Application Questions

What did Elijah tell the widow to do first before he would help her?

How did the death of the widow's son affect Elijah?

What did Elijah do when he was fed by the ravens?

What was the drought that Elijah announced going to be like?

How did the widow at Zarephath recognize Elijah?

How did Elijah know that the drought was coming?

Why did Elijah want the jar of flour and jug of oil to not run out?

What did Elijah do after the widow's son was resurrected?

Exegetical Questions

What are the implications of Elijah's prophecy of a great drought?

What are the implications of the Broken pot incident?

What does Elijah's interaction with the widow at Zarephath reveal about his character?

How does Elijah's experience of being fed by ravens relate to his later experience at Zarephath?

What are the implications of the widow's declaration that Elijah is "a man of God"?

What does Elijah's resurrection of the widow's son reveal about his power?

What does Elijah's experience at Zarephath reveal about God's character?

What does the widow's willingness to share her last meal with Elijah reveal about her character?

Observation Questions

What did the widow say to Elijah?

How did the ravens help Elijah?

How did the drought end?

How did Elijah revive the widow's son?

What did Elijah do next?

What happened to Elijah?

What caused the great

Why did the widow's son

drought?

die?

Group Discussion Questions

What does it mean to you that the Lord is the "first and the last" as Elijah proclaims in <u>J.Kings 17:24</u>?

What can we learn from the widow of Zarephath about how to trust God in the midst of difficult circumstances?

What applications do you see from this story for our own lives in terms of dependence on God?

What are your thoughts on why the Lord would provide for Elijah through ravens during the drought?

How do you see God's faithfulness in Elijah's experience of being fed by the widow and her son in 1 Kings_17:7-16?

How does the story of the widow and her son being brought back to life challenge or encourage you in your own relationship with God?

What do you think it means that the Lord heard Elijah's cry in 1 Kings 17:20-23?

How does Elijah's experience with the Lord in 1 Kings_17:1-6 encourage you in your own faith journey?

Prayers Based on 1 Kings 17

Lord, we thank you that you sent ravens to feed him.

Lord, we thank you that you led him to the widow at Zarephath.

Lord, we thank you for the miracle of the oil and flour that never ran out.

Lord, we thank you that you provided for Elijah during the great drought.

Lord, we ask that you would continue to provide for all of our needs, both seen and unseen.

Journal Prompts

Why do you think Elijah was sent to Zarephath?

What do you think is the take away message from this story for us today?

What do you think we can learn from the widow about faith?

How can we apply Elijah's story to our own lives?

What do you think the widow and her son represents for us today?

What was your reaction when you read about Elijah being fed by ravens?

What do you think it means that God provides for us even in the midst of difficult times?

Have you ever been in a difficult situation where you felt like God was not listening to you?

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