

FAITH BRINGS FOOD

I Kings 17:10-15

So he (Elijah) arose and went to Zarephath. And when he came to the gate of the city, behold the _____ was there gathering sticks: and he called to her, and said, Fetch me, I pray thee, a little _____ in a _____, that I may drink.

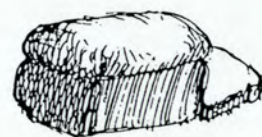
And as she was going to fetch it, he called to her, and said, Bring me, I pray thee a _____ of _____ in thine hand.

And she said, As the Lord thy God liveth, I have not a _____, but an handful of _____ in a barrel, and a little _____ in a cruse: and behold, I am gathering two _____, that I may go in and dress it for me and my son, that we may eat it, and _____.

And Elijah said unto her, _____: go and do as thou hast said: but make me thereof a little _____ first, and bring it unto me, and after make for thee and for thy son.

For thus saith the Lord God of Israel, The _____ of _____ shall not waste, neither shall the _____ of _____ fail, until the day day that the Lord sendeth _____ upon the earth.

And she went and did according to the saying of Elijah: and she, and he, and her house did _____ many days.



FAITH IS THE VICTORY

1 Name a person you know who has strong faith in God, and explain why.

2 How would you grade yourself on a “faith scale” that registered how much faith you have in Jesus?

0 1 2 3 4 5

What grade do you think your friends would give you on that same scale?

0 1 2 3 4 5

3 Do you **A**-agree, **D**-disagree, or **?**-wonder about the following statements? Circle one answer for each:

A D ? — Faith was easier for people in Bible times than it is for people today.

A D ? — You would have much more faith if you could see a miracle.

A D ? — If you have enough faith, nothing will ever go wrong in your life.

A D ? — Only older Christians can have real faith.

A D ? — Faith is believing that God might keep His promises.

A D ? — The time to have faith is after all else fails.

4 Should a people’s faith change as they grow older? How?

5 Name three things that could hinder a person’s faith.

It's a Fact!

Review this lesson on the Widow of Zarephath (1 Kings 17:8-16), and list, in order, ten facts that took place.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____
9. _____
10. _____

The Facts!

(for the teacher) Following is a list of facts, in order, about the Widow of Zarephath (1 Kings 17:8-16). Use these when you review the lesson with your students.

Before text begins:

1. There was a famine, because there was no rain.
2. God sent Elijah to the brook, and the ravens fed him.
3. The brook dried up.

Text begins:

4. God told Elijah to go to Zarephath, which belongs to Zidon.
5. God had commanded a widow in Zarephath to feed Elijah.
6. Elijah went to Zarephath.
7. He saw a widow at the gate of the city.
8. The widow was gathering sticks.
9. Elijah asked her to give him water.
10. She left to get the water.
11. As she left, Elijah asked her to bring him some bread too.
12. The widow said she had only a handful of meal and a little oil.
13. She was gathering two sticks to fix the food.
14. After she ate that food, she expected her son and herself to die.
15. Elijah told her to make his cake first.
16. Elijah told her if she did, the meal and oil would last until the rain came.
17. The widow did what Elijah said.
18. The widow, and Elijah, and those in her house ate of that food for many days.

For Teachers

OBJECT LESSON / OPENER

FAITH FALL

(You may wish to practice this once with a child who knows you well, so that you may demonstrate to the others.)

Have students line up, facing away from you. Come behind one and ask him to fall backward, remaining rigid. Explain that you will catch him.

Students will experience firsthand what it feels like to put their faith in someone.

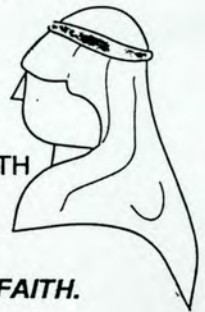
Lesson 73
TEXT: 1Kings 17:8-16



FILL IN ALL THE MISSING E's TO FIND OUT WHAT FAITH IS.

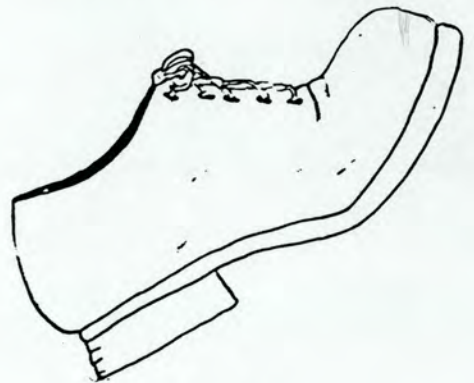
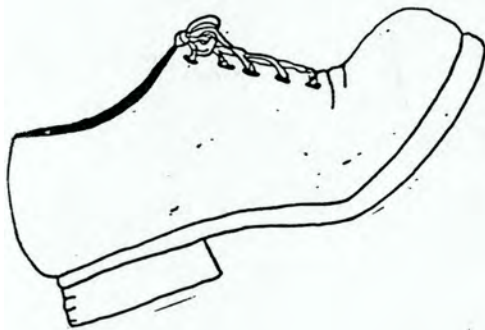


"FAITH IS TH_ SUBSTANC_ OF THINGS HOP_D FOR, TH_ _VID_ NC_ OF
THINGS NOT S_ _N." H_ BR_ WS 11:1

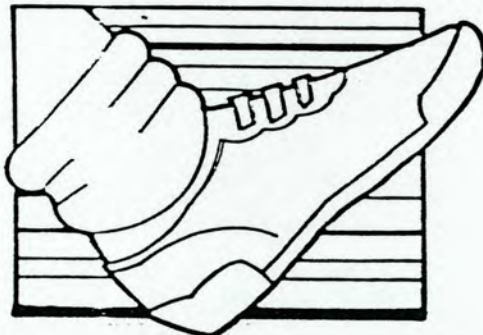


OUR TEXT TELLS US OF TWO PEOPLE, ELIJAH AND THE WIDOW, WHO BOTH
LITERALLY WALKED BY FAITH.

WRITE IN THE SHOES BELOW WHAT STEPS THEY TOOK IN OBEDIENCE AND *FAITH.*



WRITE IN THE SHOES BELOW SOME STEPS OF *FAITH* IN YOUR LIFE.



GOD REWARDED ELIJAH AND THE WIDOW WITH FOOD FOR THEIR FAITH AND OBEDIENCE. WHAT ARE SOME OF THE THINGS GOD REWARDS US WITH WHEN WE EXERCISE FAITH AND OBEDIENCE IN OUR LIVES?