



## SCRIPTURE

2 Kings 4:1-7

### **1. Come Empty**

The widow approached Elisha in the aftermath of enduring immense tragedy. She experienced the pain of loss, doubts about God, and overwhelming debt. When life leaves us feeling empty, God's heart is drawn towards us; He cares! Just as Elisha displayed love and compassion towards the widow, the Lord demonstrates the same to us. We aspire to be a people of genuine faith, not concealing our pain but embracing true vulnerability. We also learned the importance of recognising that sometimes we come filled with the wrong things. The only requirement for the vessels was that they be empty. Similarly, the Lord desires to ensure that we do not fill our hearts with



distractions from Christ, but rather guard our hearts, seeking to keep Him as our first love.

## **2. Leave Full**

In this passage, we witnessed that when we come to God, we can have confidence that He will speak to us. We aim to position ourselves to hear the voice of God.

### ***He Speaks***

Through the Scriptures (Psalm 119:105)

Through Creation (Romans 1:20)

Through Prophecy (1 Corinthians 14:2-3)

Through Our Conscience (Romans 2:15)

Through Others (Proverbs 15:22)

Additionally, we observed how the widow obeyed. Sometimes, our emptiness or preoccupation with the wrong things can cause us to ignore or refuse to follow the Lord's instructions. Real faith involves obedience to God's will. Furthermore, we saw how God intervened; He is the God of the supernatural. We desire to be a people who actively seek God's power in our daily lives. He filled every vessel with oil, and He desires to fill us today.

### ***He Fills***

Anointing (1 Samuel 16:13)

Abundance (Job 29:6)

Gladness (Psalm 45:7)

Unity (Psalm 133:1)

Healing (James 5:14)

The Holy Spirit (Isaiah 61:1 / Acts 10:38)

Lastly, we discovered that God provided the widow with everything she needed. Likewise, when He fills us, He equips us with all we need to follow Him.

## **QUESTIONS**

1. Are you in a season of emptiness at the moment? Or filling your heart with the wrong things? What impact has that had on your faith?
2. How does God speak to you? How can we grow in hearing and obeying Him?
3. Of the different promises of what oil is in scriptures, which are you desiring to know in greater measure?

Pray for one another to know God's closeness in our pain, conviction in our distractions and filling of his Spirit