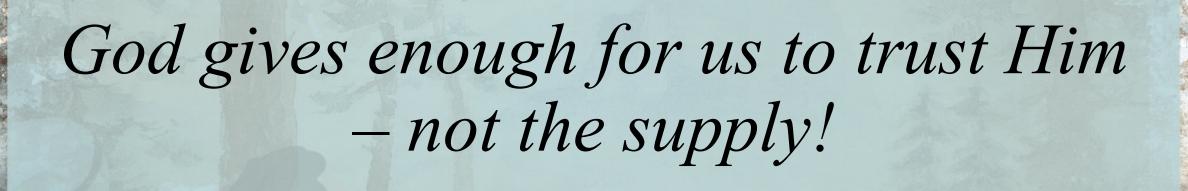


God Gives Us Enough! 1 Kings 17:7-16



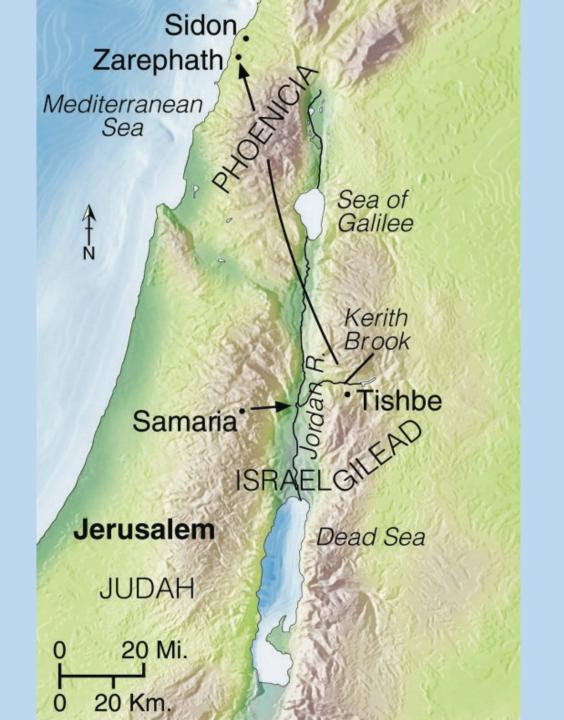
1 Kings 17:1-7 God gave Elijah the message – No Rain! God led him to Cherith for water God sent him ravens with bread and meat God kept His word – No Rain! God's brook dried up – vs 7

7 But it happened after a while that the brook dried up, because there was no rain in the land.

8 Then the word of the LORD came to him, saying,

9 "Arise, go to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and stay there; behold, I have commanded a widow there to provide food for you."

Who was Baal in Bible? Baal is the name given to several different deities who are designated as false gods or idols. However, it is most often used to describe the specific **Canaanite-Phoenician god of** fertility and rain. During the reign of King Ahab, the King allowed people to worship idols. His wife, Jezebel, set up many Baal worship temples.



Helpless 7-9

- God sent Elijah hungry to another hungry
- God told Elijah He would provide
- •God needs for the messenger to understand the message he was thirsty she was hungry

"And my God will supply all your needs according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus." Php 4:19

As soon as we forget how helpless we are – we cease to be help for others!

9 "Arise, go to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and stay there; behold, I have commanded a widow there to provide food for you."

10 So he arose and went to Zarephath, and when he came to the entrance of the city, behold, a widow was there gathering sticks; and he called to her and said, "Please get me a little water in a cup, so that I may drink."

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11 As she was going to get it, he called to her and said, "Please bring me a piece of bread in your hand."

12 But she said, "As the LORD your God lives, I have no food, only a handful of flour in the bowl and a little oil in the jar; and behold, I am gathering a few sticks so that I may go in and prepare it for me and my son, so that we may eat it and die."

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Hopeless 9-12

- Desperate sent to the dying not much help!
- Gentile city awkward!
- Jezebel daughter of King of Tyre (Sidon)
- ·Baal was no better! Why no rain? WARNING!

"Beware that your hearts are not deceived, and that you do not turn away and serve other gods and worship them. Or the anger of the LORD will be kindled against you, and He will shut up the heavens so that there will be no rain and the ground will not yield its fruit; and you will perish quickly from the good land which the LORD is giving you." Dt. 11:16-17 Walk WITH



13 However, Elijah said to her, "Do not fear; go, do as you have said. Just make me a little bread loaf from it first and bring it out to me, and afterward you may make one for yourself and for your son.

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14 For this is what the LORD, the God of Israel says: 'The bowl of flour shall not be used up, nor shall the jar of oil become empty, until the day that the LORD provides rain on the face of the earth.'"

15 So she went and did everything in accordance with the word of Elijah, and she and he and her household ate for many days.

16 The bowl of flour was not used up, nor did the jar of oil become empty, in accordance with the word of the LORD which He spoke through Elijah.

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"And if you forget the Lord your God and go after other gods and serve them and worship them, I solemnly warn you today that you shall surely perish. Like the nations that the Lord makes to perish before you, so shall you perish, because you would not obey the voice of the Lord your God." Dt. 8:19-20

Heavenly Hope 13-16

- Past years of a great famine
- Present show hospitality
- *SHARING DOES NOT REQUIRE A SURPLUS!
- Provision supply as long as there was need
- *Daily supply inspired daily trust! 'daily bread'

"For the LORD God is a sun and shield; The LORD gives grace and glory; No good thing does He withhold from those who walk uprightly." Psa 84:11

"A daily portion is really all we need!
We do not need tomorrow's supply for
that day has not yet dawned and its needs
are still unborn." C.H. Spurgeon

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MANNA IN THE WILDERNESS

Exodus 16:19,20 "Then Moses said to them, "No one is to keep any of it until morning." However, some of them paid no attention to Moses; they kept part of it until morning, but it was full of maggots and began to smell."

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Is God enough?

- · How can we trust God for heaven but not here?
- How can we wish for surplus?
- What are you trusting God for right now?
- Are you hoarding manna?
- Are you asking for surplus for security?



