

“Get Connected” Interactive Discussion Guide

Growth Group Study: 1 Kings 17:1-24

(Plan 30 minutes for your “study time” by focusing on the * questions. If you need to fill out or add to your discussion, select other questions. However, be sure to leave time for “SERVICE” and prayer.)

Open It

1. *How do you go about assessing the truth of the news stories you read and hear every day?
2. What was one of the worst pieces of news you’ve ever had to convey to another person? the best news?

Explore It

3. Where did the prophet Elijah come from? ([17:1](#))
4. What was the prophecy that Elijah took to Ahab, king of Israel? ([17:1](#))
5. After speaking with Ahab, why did God direct Elijah to hide? ([17:2-3](#))
6. How were Elijah’s needs met while he was alone in the desert? ([17:5-6](#))
7. Where did God send Elijah after the brook dried up? ([17:7-9](#))
8. What two requests did Elijah make of the widow at Zarephath? ([17:10-11](#))
9. What did the widow consider inevitable for herself and her son during the drought in Israel? ([17:12](#))
10. *What step did Elijah ask the widow to take in faith? ([17:13](#))
11. What promise did Elijah make if the widow would be obedient to God? ([17:14](#))
12. *What did the Lord do for Elijah, the widow, and her son? ([17:15-16](#))
13. What did the woman of Zarephath assume when her son became ill and died? ([17:17-18](#))
14. When Elijah took the son from his mother, what question did he have for God? ([17:19-20](#))
15. How did Elijah go about petitioning God for the boy’s life? ([17:21-22](#))
16. *How did the widow react when her son was returned to her alive? ([17:23-24](#))

Get It

17. How do you imagine Ahab felt about Elijah after Elijah pronounced judgment on him?
18. What would make you willing or unwilling to be the one to pronounce judgment on a really evil person?
19. What was unusual about the ways God chose to provide for Elijah during the drought?
20. What kind of faith is required for living with just enough for each day and no more?
21. *How would the miracle of the flour and oil have appeared to the widow in retrospect if her son had died?
22. What indicates that Elijah did not expect the death of the widow’s son?
23. Why did God raise the widow’s son from the dead?
24. What is the importance of action to back up our words as believers?
25. *In what way do you find it easy or difficult to obey God when you don’t know what the outcome will be?
26. In what peculiar but sufficient ways is God meeting your needs today?

Apply It

27. *What step of faith do you need to take at this time in your life?
28. What evidence do the people around you need in order to believe that you are a child of God?