

# BIBLE BOOST

<sup>8</sup> Then the word of the LORD came to [Elijah], saying, <sup>9</sup> “Arise, go to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and stay there; behold, I have commanded a widow there to provide for you.” <sup>10</sup> So he arose and went to Zarephath, and when he came to the gate 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 jar, that I may drink.” <sup>11</sup> As she was going to get it, he called to her and said, “Please bring me a piece of bread in your hand.” <sup>12</sup> But she said, “As the LORD your God lives, I have no bread, only a handful of flour in the bowl and a little oil in the jar; and behold, I am gathering a few sticks that I may go in and prepare for me and my son, that we may eat it and die.” <sup>13</sup> Then Elijah said to her, “Do not fear; go, do as you have said, but make me a little bread cake from it first and bring it out to me, and afterward you may make one for yourself and for your son. <sup>14</sup> For thus says the LORD God of Israel, ‘The bowl of flour shall not be exhausted, nor shall the jar of oil be empty, until the day that the LORD sends rain on the face of the earth.’” <sup>15</sup> So she went and did according to the word of Elijah, and she and he and her household ate for many days. <sup>16</sup> The bowl of flour was not exhausted nor did the jar of oil become empty, according to the word of the LORD which He spoke through Elijah.

**1 Kings 17:8-16**

<sup>8</sup> Now there came a day when Elisha passed over to Shunem, where there was a prominent woman, and she persuaded him to eat food. And so it was, as often as he passed by, he turned in there to eat food. <sup>9</sup> She said to her husband, “Behold now, I perceive that this is a holy man of God passing by us continually. <sup>10</sup> Please, let us make a little walled upper chamber and let us set a bed for him there, and a table and a chair and a lampstand; and it shall be, when he comes to us, that he can turn in there.” <sup>11</sup> One day he came there and turned in to the upper chamber and rested. <sup>12</sup> Then he said to Gehazi his servant, “Call this Shunammite.” And when he had called her, she stood before him. <sup>13</sup> He said to him, “Say now to her, ‘Behold, you have been careful for us with all this care; what can I do for you? Would you be spoken for to the king or to the captain of the army?’” And she answered, “I live among my own people.” <sup>14</sup> So he said, “What then is to be done for her?” And Gehazi answered, “Truly she has no son and her husband is old.” <sup>15</sup> He said, “Call her.” When he had called her, she stood in the doorway. <sup>16</sup> Then he said, “At this season next year you will embrace a son.” And she said, “No, my lord, O man of God, do not lie to your maidservant.” <sup>17</sup> The woman conceived and bore a son at that season the next year, as Elisha had said to her.

**2 Kings 4:8-17**

**SUMMARY:** *In your own words, what does the text say?*

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**REFLECTION:** *How can this impact your life?*

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