



Sermon
Discussion
Guide

Sunday, February 5, 2023

RESOLVE

Money – I Kings 17:10-16

Read/Reflect

1. Read I Kings 17. What most fascinates you about this account:
 - That Elijah learned to trust God by being fed by ravens,
 - That the widow of Zarephath trusted Elijah for her daily bread,
 - That Elijah was able to revive the widow's son,
 - That the widow was not an Israelite, but demonstrated greater faith than God's own people.
2. What was it like for the widow of Zarephath to entrust her daily bread to God (through a prophet, Elijah, she had only recently met)? What did it require of her, do you think?

Explore

3. In what way(s) does your lifestyle reflect the generosity of God and his giving character?
4. Does your attitude of giving reflect God's image, his holiness, his grace, his generosity, or his glory and honor? What are some attitudes you have to resist in your giving?
 - Giving is a mere obligation.
 - Giving is a "fee for service."
 - Giving is only for a tax benefit.
 - My giving pays the bills.
 - Giving makes me look good.
 - Other: _____
5. What are some incidents or circumstances in your life that helped you to build greater trust in God's provision for you?
6. In what area of God's kingdom do you love to give to? Where do you see God working that gets you excited to work with him?
7. Assessing your giving, how does it reflect your focus upon your Father in heaven and on your priority for God's work in the world?

Pray

- Pray the Lord's prayer, noticing how much of that prayer is about devotion to and reliance on God.
- What part of the Lord's prayer can someone especially pray over you?

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