

LIVING ON THE WORD OF GOD.
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1Kings 17:1-7

1 ELIJAH THE Tishbite, of the temporary residents of Gilead, said to Ahab, As the Lord, the God of Israel, lives, before Whom I stand, there shall not be dew or rain these years but according to My word.

2 And the word of the Lord came to him, saying,

3 Go from here and turn east and hide yourself by the brook Cherith, east of the Jordan.

4 You shall drink of the brook, and I have commanded the ravens to feed you there.

5 So he did according to the word of the Lord; he went and dwelt by the brook Cherith, east of the Jordan.

6 And the ravens brought him bread and flesh in the morning and bread and flesh in the evening, and he drank of the brook.

7 After a while the brook dried up because there was no rain in the land.

When you are down to nothing, God is always up to something if you just hold onto His word.

1Kings 17:8-16-AMP

8 And the word of the Lord came to him:

9 Arise, go to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and dwell there. Behold, I have commanded a widow there to provide for you.

10 So he arose and went to Zarephath. When he came to the gate of the city, behold, a widow was there gathering sticks. He called to her, Bring me a little water in a vessel, that I may drink.

11 As she was going to get it, he called to her and said, Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand.

12 And she said, As the Lord your God lives, I have not a loaf baked but only a handful of meal in the jar and a little oil in the bottle. See, I am gathering two sticks, that I may go in and bake it for me and my son, that we may eat it--and die.

13 Elijah said to her, Fear not; go and do as you have said. But make me a little cake of [it] first and bring it to me, and afterward prepare some for yourself and your son.

14 For thus says the Lord, the God of Israel: The jar of meal shall not waste away or the bottle of oil fail until the day that the Lord sends rain on the earth.

15 She did as Elijah said. And she and he and her household ate for many days.

16 The jar of meal was not spent nor did the bottle of oil fail, **according to the word which the Lord spoke through Elijah.**

Proverbs 13:12-TLV

Hope deferred makes the heart sick, but longing fulfilled is a tree of life.

Passion - When **hope's dream seems to drag on and on, the delay can be depressing.** But when at last your dream comes true, life's sweetness will satisfy your soul.

Romans 4:18-Passion

Against all odds, when it looked hopeless, Abraham believed the promise and expected God to fulfill it. He took God at his word, and as a result he became the father of many nations.

1Kings 17:21-22-AMP

21 And he stretched himself upon the child three times and cried to the Lord and said, **O Lord my God, I pray You, let this child's soul come back into him.**

22 And **the Lord heard the voice of Elijah,** and the soul of the child came into him again, and he revived.

Our **simple obedience** in one area, can give us **confidence** that God can do even more in other areas of our lives.

Philippians 4:19-AMP

And **my God will liberally supply (fill to the full) your every need according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus.**

"Our obedience and God's faithfulness—that's a combination that leads to miracles."