

Never Alone – God is With You

1 Kings 17:1-16

Elijah Confronts Ahab

- ◆ **1 Kings 17:1** - Now Elijah the Tishbite, of Tishbe in Gilead, said to Ahab, “As the LORD, the God of Israel, lives, before whom I stand, there shall be neither dew nor rain these years, except by my word.”

4 Principles of Combating Loneliness

1. You Are Never Alone – God is Always With You
2. God Will Send You Help
3. After Being Blessed – Be a Blessing to Someone Else
4. Faith Requires Action

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◆ **1 Kings 17:2** - ² And the word of the LORD came to him: ³ “Depart from here and turn eastward and hide yourself by the brook Cherith, which is east of the Jordan.

Wherever God Sends You – He is With You

- ◆ God was with Moses when sent to Egypt to free the Israelites from Pharaoh.
- ◆ **Exodus 3:10-12** - ¹⁰ Come, I will send you to Pharaoh that you may bring my people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt.” ¹¹ But Moses said to God, “Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the children of Israel out of Egypt?” ¹² He said, “But I will be with you, and this shall be the sign for you, that I have sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall serve God on this mountain.”

Nothing Can Separate You From God

◆ **Romans 8:38-39** - ³⁸ For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹ nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

God is With You

◆ **Isaiah 41:10:**

fear not, for I am with you;
be not dismayed, for I am your God;
I will strengthen you, I will help you,
I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.

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◆ **1 Kings 17:3-6** - ³ “Depart from here and turn eastward and hide yourself by the brook Cherith, which is east of the Jordan. ⁴ You shall drink from the brook, and I have commanded the ravens to feed you there.” ⁵ So he went and did according to the word of the Lord. He went and lived by the brook Cherith that is east of the Jordan. ⁶ And the ravens brought him bread and meat in the morning, and bread and meat in the evening, and he drank from the brook.

All Creation Obeys God


◆ **Jonah 2:10** - ¹⁰ And the Lord spoke to the fish, and it vomited Jonah out upon the dry land.

After Being Blessed
Be a Blessing to Someone Else



One

One tree can start a forest;
One smile can begin a friendship;
One hand can lift a soul;
One word can frame a goal;
One candle can wipe out darkness;
One laugh can conquer gloom;
One hope can raise your spirits;
One touch can show you care;
One life can make the difference,
be that *One* today.



Be a Blessing to Someone Else

◆ **1 Kings 17:8-12** - ⁸ Then 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 feed you.” ¹⁰ 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, “Bring me a little water in a vessel, that I may drink.” ¹¹ And as she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, “Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand.”

5 Ways You Benefit From Helping Others

1. Where You Spend Your Money Affects Your Happiness
2. Serving Others Helps Your Health
3. Helping Others Brings Us Closer Together
4. Helping Others Promotes More Gratitude in Our Lives
5. Giving Spreads to Others

Be a Blessing to Someone Else

- ◆ **Acts 20:35** - Acts 20:35 - ³⁵ In all things I have shown you that by working hard in this way we must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he himself said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'”
- ◆ **1 Kings 17:14** - ¹⁴ For thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, 'The jar of flour shall not be spent, and the jug of oil shall not be empty, until the day that the Lord sends rain upon the earth.'”

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◆ **1 Kings 17:12-13** - ¹² And she said, “As the Lord your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of flour in a jar and a little oil in a jug. And now I am gathering a couple of sticks that I may go in and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it and die.” ¹³ And Elijah said to her, “Do not fear; go and do as you have said. But first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterward make something for yourself and your son

Faith

- ◆ **Hebrews 11:1** - Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.
- ◆ **Hebrews 11:6** - ⁶ And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him.

The Blessing of Faith

◆ **1 Kings 17:15-16** - ¹⁵ And she went and did as Elijah said. And she and he and her household ate for many days. ¹⁶ The jar of flour was not spent, neither did the jug of oil become empty, according to the word of the Lord that he spoke by Elijah.

Each of us is an
INNKEEPER
who decides if
there is room for
JESUS!

-NEAL A. MAXWELL

