

Story 5: Elijah

Main Bible verse
[1 Kings 17:24]

Then the woman said to Elijah, "Now I know that you are a man of God.
I know that the message you have brought from the Lord is true."

It was the time of King Ahab's rule over the Israelites.

King Ahab did not believe in God but served a false god named Baal. God sent the prophet Elijah to the Israelites.

Elijah spent his life sharing God's words with the Israelites.

One day, God told Elijah to go to Zarephath and told him that he would meet a widow.

There he saw a woman gathering sticks. She was a widow. Elijah said to the widow at Zarephath,

"Would you bring me a little water in a jar so I may have a drink and a piece of bread?"

The widow of Zarephath knew at once that Elijah was a man of God.

But because she was extremely poor, Elijah's request was difficult for her.

However, the widow of Zarephath went away and did as Elijah had told her.

Therefore, during the three and a half years of famine in Israel, the widow's jar of flour was not used up and the jug of oil did not run dry. An amazing blessing from God appeared in the house of the widow of Zarephath.

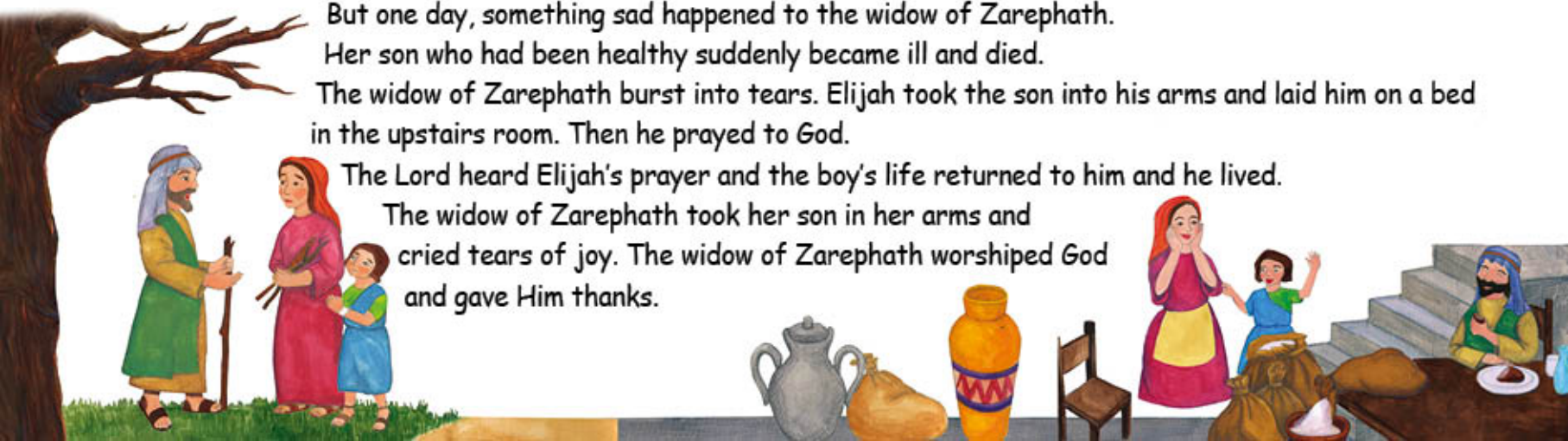
But one day, something sad happened to the widow of Zarephath.

Her son who had been healthy suddenly became ill and died.

The widow of Zarephath burst into tears. Elijah took the son into his arms and laid him on a bed in the upstairs room. Then he prayed to God.

The Lord heard Elijah's prayer and the boy's life returned to him and he lived.

The widow of Zarephath took her son in her arms and cried tears of joy. The widow of Zarephath worshiped God and gave Him thanks.



Activity 1.

Color the flour sack and oil bottle that the widow last used, cut them out, and glue them in the empty space. **Materials:** Glue, scissors, colored pencils.

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Activity 2.

Answer the following questions.

a. Who ruled the people of Israel?

b. What is the name of the prophet that God sent?

c. Read 1 Kings 17:15-24 and answer: What happened to the widow's son?

● Read and memorize the Bible verse. (1 Kings 17:24)

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