I KINGS 17; May 26; Elijah, Fed by Ravens, Helps a Widow

ANALYSIS:

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2. What prophet saw a brook dry up, and where did the LORD tell higo?	m to —
3. Describe how destitute this widow women of Zarephath was.	
4. How is the death and the reviving of the widow's son described?	
5. How many miracles do you see in this chapter?	

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT:

God's dealings with Gentile individuals during the O. T. period magnified His grace. Here He directs Elijah into the life of a Gentile widow. The LORD through the prophet meets her desperate food situation with a miraculous supply of meal and oil until rain again brings a harvest (vs 14-15). Even more significant was the restoring to life of her son who had died. She testified, "Now by this I know that thou art a man of God, and that the word of the LORD in thy mouth is truth" (v 24).

Are you thankful the LORD choose you and spoke spiritual life into your soul? Have you thanked Him today?!

HELP:

- 1. Elijah said this to Ahab (v 1).
- 2. Elijah. He was to go to Zarephath where a widow woman would sustain him (vs 7-9).
- 3. Her food supply had dwindled to one handful of meal and a little oil which she and her son were going to eat and then die of starvation (v 12).
- 4. The child's death is described: "there was no breath left in him" (v 17), the child's reviving to life is described: "the soul of the child came into him again, and he revived" (v 22).
- 5. [1] No dew or rain but by Elijah's word (v 1), [2] God directing Elijah, to the brook Cherith, then to Zarephath (vs 3, 9), [3] Ravens brought food to Elijah morning and evening (v 6), [4] that a widow woman would sustain him (v 9), [5] the widow's meal & oil would not fail (v 14), [6] What was originally the last meal for the widow and child, miraculously fed her, her house and Elijah many days (v 15), [7] The child's soul coming back into his body and the child reviving after being dead (v 22).