



God Talk At Home

This Week's Kingdom Quest Lesson:
God Miraculously Provides for Elijah

Take Home Point:
Trust God to take care of you.

Drive Time Home

Tickler Question: How did God provide for Elijah during hard times? (*1 Kings 17:6. Ravens brought bread and meat in the morning and in the evening.*) Who else did God provide for? (*1 Kings 17:14. God provided flour and oil to the widow.*)

Select questions and adapt for your family.

God Time at Home

FOR STARTERS: Have family gather together for a dessert or snack. Ask: "Tell about a time when you were so hungry, you just did not know if you could take it. What happened? Do you remember what you finally ate?" After every one has had a chance to share, say: "Sometimes we take for granted all we have, like food and homes. Remember that God gives these to us and we should to be thankful every day. This will help us **trust God to take care of us.*"

READ THE BIBLE: 1 Kings 16:29 – 17:16

KEY VERSE: Proverbs 3:5, "*Trust the Lord with all your heart, and do not rely on your own understanding.*"

TALK ABOUT IT: What did Ahab do to make the Lord God of Israel more furious than all the kings of Israel before him? (*1 Kings 16:31-33. He married Jezebel; worshiped the god, Baal; and made poles dedicated to the goddess, Asherah.*) What warning did Elijah give to Ahab? (*1 Kings 17:1-2. The God of Israel will not let there be any dew or rain for the next few years.*) How did God first provide for Elijah while he was hiding beside the river? (*1 Kings 17:6. Ravens brought him bread and meat in the morning and in the evening, and he drank from the stream.*) The stream dried up and God sent Elijah to Zarephath. How did God provide for the widow and Elijah? (*1 Kings 17:14. Until the Lord would send rain, the widow's jar of flour and the jug of oil would never be empty.*)

How do you think the widow felt when she was asked for bread and water knowing she had only enough for her family for one last meal? (*She was worried about her and her son's survival. It didn't make sense to give away her last food to the prophet. Maybe she felt hopeless. Maybe she had faith in God and the prophet Elijah, whom God sent.*) When times are hard will God still take care of us? Can we still trust him? We can **trust God to take care of us.* Just like God provided for Elijah, God is always with us. And best of all, he gives us his own Son Jesus, so that no matter what, we can be friends with him forever.

PRAYER POWER: Thank God for sending Jesus so that our sins can be forgiven and we can be friends with God forever. Pray for some of the things that might be bothering any family member and then ask that in each need, family members learn to **trust God to take care of them.*

Family Time Option

One day this week, try...

FAMILY TIME OPTIONS: To better appreciate how God provides, let the family voluntarily give up a meal. Still gather at that time and give thanks for how God provides and ask him to continue. Calculate the money saved from the meal and donate it toward feeding the hungry.

"Discovery Digs" Lesson 3