Grace Valley Bible Church

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## **Lesson: GOD WILL SUPPLY**

"And my God will supply ALL your needs according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus." (Phl.4:19)

Pay special attention to "The riches of God's glory (doxa) in today's lesson." This is a reference to the **10 characteristics of Essence of God.** 

Omniscience (Rom.11:33-36) Omnipresent (Heb.4:12-13) Omnipotence (Rom.4:17) Veracity (Heb.6:18)

Veracity (Heb.6:18) Immutable (Heb.13:8) Righteousness (Rom.1:16-17)

Sovereignty (Acts 17:22-29)

Eternal Life (1 John 5:11-13)

Love (1 John 4:8) Holy (1 Pet.1:15-16)

This lesson will study **FIVE** aspects of God Will Supply all your needs according to two riches: *His riches in glory* and *in Christ Jesus* (1 Cor.15:22; 2 Cor.5:17). Every person who believes the gospel has access to these **two riches** (1 Cor.15:3-4; Rom.1:16; Eph.2:8-9).

1. During our August Special we have been introducing a doctrinal principle working in life of a biblical believer's.

Today's doctrinal principle is Phil.4:12 working in Elijah to Widow of Zarephath of Sidon (1 Kings 17:2, 8-24/ NOTE 2, 4, 24/ "Word of the Lord").

I chose this story of 8<sup>th</sup> century BC because **Jesus referred to it** in 1century AD. It was at the beginning of His teaching ministry and in His home synagogue of Nazareth (Luke 4:16-30).

2. After He disclosed His messiahship of Isa.61:1-2. He introduces "Truly I say to you" in 4:24 and 25. It is important to study the Scriptures and not just read them.

It was at this time He used two Gentiles illustrations: widow of Zarephath of Sidon and Naaman the Syrian.

- 1<sup>st</sup> Truly I say to you" 4:24 What is the point?
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Truly I say to you 4:25-27 What is the point? **Elijah (25-26/ widow**) and Elisha (27/ Naaman). Note the phrase "none of them" (26, 27).

We will focus on the Elijah and Widow story (1 Kings 17).

3. In Jesus' discussion of the Widow, He described the **cause of her circumstances** of eating her last meals and dying as "In **the days** of Elijah, when the sky was shut up for three years and six months, when there was a great famine over all the land (Israel to Sidon)."

This was divine discipline upon priest-nation of Israel for apostasy (five cycles of discipline Lev.2614-39 and Deut.28:15-68/ spiritual awakening).

God sent Elijah out of Israel for a widow ministry to a foreign nation **for God to supply** a Gentile Widow's needs both physically and spiritually. God shut the sky to bring a message to hunger spiritual soul with positive volition (2 Pet.3:9). *The Lord is still looking at the hearts of mankind* (1 Sam.16:7)

4. God put Elijah through faith-grace training before sending him regarding "God Will Supply" (1Kings 17:1-7/ Brook of Cherith).

**Word of the Lord came to him** (17:2). You have water from brook and ravens will be sent to feed you twice a day from Ahab's table. "I have commanded the ravens to provide for you there." (17:4/ Elijah ate like a king.)

"Then the word of the Lord came to him (17:8).' Go to Zarephath, I have commanded a widow there to provide for you.'" (17:9) This will require the Walk of Faith (2 Cor.5:7/ faith cycle/ Col.2:6-7).

5. When Elijah arrived, the widow and her son were preparing to eat their last meal and die (1 Kings 17:8-16/12).

Stop being afraid! "Thus says the lord God of Israel, 'The bowl of flour and jar of oil shall not be emptied until the day the Lord sends rain on the face of the earth." (17:14/ promise of today and of tomorrow of God supplying her needs/ read 17:15-16.)

This was where Jesus stopped the story in Luke 4:24-26. But there was another chapter in the story when her son died (1 Kings 17:17-24). It was at the end of this chapter that she became a believer.

"Then the woman said to Elijah, 'Now I know (1) that you are a man of God and (2) that the word of the Lord in your mouth is truth." (17:24/17:2, 4, 24)

God's Promise to you: "And my God will supply all your needs according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus." (Phil.4:19)