

Day 3: The Proof of Your Faith

Devotional

Imagine being down to your very last meal. Not your last grocery run. Your last handful of flour and your last drop of oil. That was the reality for the widow of Zarephath.

And in that moment, God asked her to give it away first.

What she did next is remarkable. She obeyed immediately. She did not negotiate. She did not hold back a little just in case. She gave what she had, and God made sure she never ran out.

Her obedience was the proof of her faith. She was not serving her fear. She was serving God.

Anxiety and worry have a way of making us serve other masters. They whisper that we have to hold on tightly, that we have to protect ourselves, that we cannot afford to trust. But the widow showed us something different. She showed us that when we release our grip and trust God, He steps in where our own strength runs out.

You can only carry so much on your own. And that is not a weakness. That is exactly the place where God does His best work.

Bible Verse

"And she went and did as Elijah said. And she and he and her household ate for many days. 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." - 1 Kings 17:15-16

Reflection Question

Is there something you are holding onto tightly out of fear that God might actually be asking you to release in trust?

Quote

Anxiety and worry are what push us to serve other masters. She could have been so worried about her and her son that she said, we have to do it this way. This is just what we have left. Instead, she chose to serve God.

Prayer

Father, help me to loosen my grip on what I am holding and trust that You will provide. Give me the courage to obey even when it feels risky. Amen.