

Putting Jesus 1st

1st Kings 17:2-6

In 1st Kings 17, God has told Elijah to go hide at the Brook Cherith
for it's not going too.....

After awhile the brook dries up and God tells Elijah..... look at vs 7-9

In our story in 1st Kings 17, God's Word is going to teach us some
valuable lessons about faith.

Notice 3 things:

I. Requirements of faith will sometimes seem _____.

They just won't make any sense, but remember if God's instructions
were always logical we.....

Notice 3 things God told Elijah to do that didn't make sense.

1. The _____ God told Elijah to take was illogical. v9

Taking a 100 mile trip on foot, during a famine, while Queen Jezebel
is trying to kill you.....

2. The _____ seemed illogical. v9 We learn about Zidon in 1st Kings 17:

God sent Elijah out of Israel to Sidon which was the _____ of Jezebel.....

Now if you're trying to hide from you wouldn't hide out in the hometown of her
relatives and a place that Baal. But that's what God told Elijah to do.

3. The _____ God sent Elijah to was illogical. v9

If you know God's Word, the Bible instructs us to _____ for the widows.

This is the **ONLY** place in God's Word that you'll find where God used
it doesn't make sense.

God doesn't send Elijah to a _____ widow but to a _____ widow.

God isn't sending Elijah to a widow

As a matter of fact when Elijah meets this woman at the city gate
she's starving.....

II. Response of faith must be _____. v10

Now there's no record of Elijah asking the Lord to explain him.

There's no record of Elijah saying, "Lord can we sit down this out."

The Bible says God **SPOKE** and Elijah **OBEYED**.

He didn't wait till tomorrow to do what God today.

_____ is God's Word _____ is satan's word

Psalm 119:60 I made haste, and did not delay to keep Your commandments.

When God spoke, Elijah moved. Now notice what happens. vs 10-14

III. Reward of faith will be _____. v10

Elijah was a man of faith, now the widow becomes a woman of faith. vs 15-16

Now the little widow woman had _____ promise from God. v14

There are over _____ promises in God's Word, this little widow woman would sustain her for _____ years until the drought was over.

Now Jesus summed up this message in 1st Kings 17 for us in the New Testament in one verse in Matthew 6:_____.

Elijah put God 1st God..... The little widow woman put God 1st

Here's the test: Have we learned to put God 1st ?

If not, YOU can start TODAY.

Putting God 1st **ALWAYS** begins by putting Jesus 1st by accepting and trusting Him as our personal Lord and Savior.