
Standing In The Gap

"Disaster"

1 Kings 17:17-24

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Introduction: We are in the midst of a study focused on the life and times of Elijah.

1. God called Elijah to confront the evil in the days of Ahab and Jezebel.
 2. His first move as prophet was to announce an impending drought that would last for three plus years.
 - This drought was an act of discipline on a sinful Israel, but it also served a valuable lesson for Elijah.
 - As God miraculously provided for Elijah, he was learning God can be trusted.
 - This will be important in light of today's narrative,
 3. Today things go from bad to worse, but even in the darkest moments of our lives, we can count on God.
- I. Disaster At Zarephath
- A. Death

 - B. Blame
- II. A God Sized Faith
- A. Give Me Your Son

 - B. An Unbelievable Prayer

C. An Amazing Answer

D. Awe

Conclusion: This is a unique story.

1. I have no doubt God was using the circumstances Elijah faced to grow him and prepare him for the future.
2. That is His commitment to us.
3. We are not immunized from evil.
4. But we are promised:
 - God is with us always; He'll never leave or forsake us.
 - He will use our trials to grow us.
 - He'll turn evil into good.
 - "We can do all things through Christ."
5. Do you believe this? If so, act like you do!