

a ministry of centre street church

# **LESSON DISCUSSION GUIDE**

**GRADE SCHOOL** 

Kindergarten to Grade 4

October 21 & 22, 2023 Weekend

God Provides a Plan for Our Needs

#### **MEMORY VERSE:**

**MAIN POINT:** 

"And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus." Philippians 4:19

### **BIBLE STORY SUMMARY:**

Elijah was on the run from an evil king who did not like the warnings God had shared, through Elijah, about a famine. When Elijah hid in the mountains, God fed him with a stream and with ravens who brought him bread. When the stream dried up, God told Elijah to go into the city where there was a widow. She was preparing the last of her oil and flour into a loaf of bread for herself and her son, and then they would not have any more food. Elijah told her to make the loaf for him, and then God would allow her oil and flour to not dry up until the famine ended. Later, her son died, and Elijah raised her son from the dead.

## **WATCH IT**

Find the lesson video on our website: www.cschurch.ca/children-faith-at-home

Search: CSC Children's Ministries on YouTube to find our channel.

#### DO IT → WIDOW'S OIL

#### **SUPPLIES**

- Widow's Oil Template (see last page)
- Scotch tape
- Pencil crayons
- Scissors

#### **Activity Instructions:**

Cut out the oil strip to the left. Colour the picture as desired.

Cut slits where indicated by the jar. Thread the line of oil drops through the slits by the oil jar, starting from the back of the top slit, then through the front of the bottom slip. Make sure it's facing the right direction.

Tape the ends of the oil drop strip together.





Gently pull on the circle to move the drops through the jar.



#### The Point

This craft reminds us that God provides for our needs as we heard He provided for the widow and her son.

#### **TALK ABOUT IT:**

Do this section with your child while they are assembling their craft.

- 1. Which miracle that God did through Elijah excites you the most and why? When He sent ravens to feed Elijah or when He made oil and flour never stop from their containers?
- 2. God provided for Elijah when He sent the ravens, and then with the bread the widow made. God also provided for the widow and her son, by giving them food, and later, by raising the son from the dead. How has God provided for your family? (Maybe someone has passed on clothes to you, you were able to grow a bountiful garden, He helped you find a reliable vehicle when yours stopped running, He gave your parents a job, He gave you a good friend at school etc.)
- 3. God promises to provide for our needs, and sometimes He uses us to care for the needs of others. The widow was generous even though she didn't have much, and God took care of her. Let's think of people who we could bless in our community this week. (Do you know of someone who could use a meal? Do you have extra supplies of winter clothing that you could give? Does an elderly neighbour need help with raking leaves or shoveling snow?)

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# **FAMILY PRAYER:**

Dear God, thank You for always providing for our needs! We don't need to worry about anything because You are in control. Help us to find ways to care for others this week. We love You, and pray in Jesus' name, amen.

# OFFERING:

Our offering project will go to Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child to help with shipping costs of the shoeboxes.

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