

Elijah – Part 6  
The Non-Law of Miracles  
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*1 Kings 17:7-14 (ESV) “And after a while the brook dried up, because there was no rain in the land. Then the word of the Lord came to him, “Arise, go to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and dwell there. Behold, I have commanded a widow there to feed you.” So he arose and went to Zarephath. And when he came to the gate of the city, behold, a widow was there gathering sticks. And he called to her and said, “Bring me a little water in a vessel, that I may drink.” And as she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, “Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand.” And she said, “As the Lord your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of flour in a jar and a little oil in a jug. And now I am gathering a couple of sticks that I may go in and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it and die.” And Elijah said to her, “Do not fear; go and do as you have said. But first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterward make something for yourself and your son. For thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, “The jar of flour shall not be spent, and the jug of oil shall not be empty, until the day that the Lord sends rain upon the earth.””*

**I Need a Miracle:**

1st) When I’m in the **RUT**.

*1 Kings 17:7 (ESV) “And after a while the brook dried up, because there was no rain in the land.”*

- The brook is going to dry up in your life many, many times.

“And after a while the brook dried up.”

- When something good is all of a sudden gone in your life.

**3 Reasons Why Brooks Dry Up:**

A - So I don’t **DEPEND** on the brook.

- Brooks dry up in your life to keep me from depending on the brook instead of God.
- God says you must trust in me.
- Anything you put before me is a false god. It’s an idol.

B - There are times when I need a **NUDGE**.

- God doesn't intend for you to live in the rut you're in for the rest of your life.
- We don't change when we see the light; we change when we feel the heat.
- How many times has something you thought was bad actually turned out for the good in your life?
- The things that you thought were going to destroy you are actually developing you.

C – To **REMINDE** you He's still your guide.

2nd) When I'm on the **ROAD**.

*1 Kings 17:8 (ESV) "Then the word of the Lord came to him, 9 'Arise, go to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and dwell there. Behold, I have commanded a widow there to feed you.'"*

- Arise, go
- Get up and go
- Make a decision to get moving

*"Behold, I have commanded a widow there to feed you."*

*1 King 17:4b (ESV) "I have commanded the ravens to feed you there."*

### **3 Things to Remember When You're on the Road:**

A - The path to a miracle is always through uncomfortable **TERRAIN**.

- Miracles never happen in your comfort zone.

B - You never know who the **SOURCE** of a miracle will be.

- So that God gets the glory.

C - There's a **PATTERN** for a miracle.

- We will call it CPR
- God gives you a command
- Then he gives a promise
- Then you take the risk
- CPR is how God starts your heart spiritually.

3rd) When I'm in **RECESSION**.

*1 Kings 17:10 (ESV) "So he arose and went to Zarephath."*

*1 Kings 17:10b-11 (ESV) "And when he came to the gate of the city, behold, a widow was there gathering sticks. And he called to her and said, 'Bring me a little water in a vessel that I may*

*drink.’ And as she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, ‘Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand.’”*

*1 Kings 17:12 (ESV) “And she said, ‘As the Lord your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of flour in a jar and a little oil in a jug. And now I am gathering a couple of sticks that I may go in and prepare it for myself and my son that we may eat it and die.’”*

*1 Kings 17:13-14 (ESV) “And Elijah said to her, ‘Do not fear; go and do as you have said. But first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterward make something for yourself and your son. For thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, The jar of flour shall not be spent, and the jug of oil shall not be empty, until the day that the Lord sends rain upon the earth.’”*

- God didn’t just want to bless Elijah.
- He wanted to bless this widow too.
- So she had to go through the same steps of faith he did. CPR

*1 Kings 17:15 (NIV) “She went away and did as Elijah had told her. So there was food every day for Elijah and for the woman and her family.”*