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Bible Truth Sleuth

LESSON 1

# Elisha Helps a Widow and Her Sons

2 Kings 4:1-7

## My Caring Act



## Showing Love

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## BIBLE FOCUS (THE BASICS)

God cares for each of us, whether we're rich or poor, because he loves us. God uses people who love him to care for his children. In today's Bible passage, a widow was being hounded by bill collectors trying to collect money the widow didn't have. All the widow had was a few drops of oil. In desperation, the widow went to Elisha to ask for help. Elisha told the widow and her sons to go to all of her neighbors and ask for empty jars. After they'd collected the jars, the widow was to take her little bit of oil and begin pouring it into the empty jars. And so she did.

The widow began pouring the oil into the jars as her sons gave them to her. She kept filling and filling and filling, until they ran out of jars. Then the oil stopped flowing. The widow sold all the jars of oil to pay her bills. And she and her two sons lived on the money that was left.

**Bible Point:** God cares for needy people.

**Key Verse:** "He [God] defends the cause of the fatherless and the widow, and loves the alien, giving him food and clothing" (Deuteronomy 10:18).



### Care Date

Plan a way with your family to care for those in need. Maybe it's cleaning out your closets, looking through

your cupboards and donating to those in need. Decide as a family how you can show care to God's needy people.

Then pray for the people you will care for. Pray for your family to be able to show God's love to needy people. God works through each of us to care for others, and one of the best ways we can care for others is to pray for them.

### Daily Challenge

This week kids committed to caring for someone in need in a specific way

and described that commitment on the other side of this page. Help your child weave faith into life this week and follow through on this commitment!

## THE WORD FOR THE WEEK

### MONDAY Jeremiah 49:11

God protects the widows and the orphans of this world. What kinds of needs do widows and orphans have?

### TUESDAY James 1:27

How do you think someone becomes "polluted by the world"? How can you avoid that?

### WEDNESDAY Exodus 22:25

God's Word tells us to give generously to those in need. How can you show compassion to someone who owes you something?

### THURSDAY Deuteronomy 10:18

God tells us to give to those in need. What can you give to someone this week?

### FRIDAY 1 Samuel 2:8

God's Word promises to lift up the needy from their bad situations and to place them on thrones of honor. Who do you know who needs your encouragement this week? What can you do to show God cares for that person?

### SATURDAY Psalm 40:17

Whenever we're in need, all we have to do is pray and God helps us. What are some needs you can pray about this week?





## Dear Parents,

Your family is important to our church, and we want to support your role as spiritual leader to your child.

In our effort to provide the highest quality Christian education, we are using **FaithWeaver NOW**® Sunday school. FaithWeaver NOW makes Bible learning fun by using a variety of active experiences to help students learn in the ways they learn best.

FaithWeaver NOW also helps people of all ages “weave faith into life” by applying the Bible to their lives throughout every week. With FaithWeaver NOW, students walk through the Bible over the course of three years.

Research shows that the most powerful influence on children’s faith development is the conversation about faith that takes place in the home. We want to partner with you in your child’s Christian education.

With the resources that are part of FaithWeaver NOW, you can make a huge contribution to your child’s Christian growth by leading activities and discussions that help make connections and apply what’s learned at church to daily life. That’s why every week your child will receive a take-home page that includes ideas for family discussions and activities that will help cement what your child learns at church.

All FaithWeaver NOW resources—for infants through adults—explore the same Bible passage each week, making it easier for you to help your family grow in faith together.

This quarter, we hope you’ll find encouragement in your role as a parent and a spiritual leader to your child. May these tools serve to remind you how important you are in your child’s life—and how blessed you are to be entrusted with this awesome responsibility!

God bless you,

Your **FaithWeaver NOW** Church



The FaithWeaver NOW Student Book is woven into every lesson to provide an essential transformative experience that makes the Bible unforgettable.

**BONUS...every Student Book includes weekly take-home activities!**

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*This quarter you'll explore these Bible passages:*

	BIBLE CONTENT/SCRIPTURE	KEY VERSE	BIBLE POINT
WEEK 1	Elisha Helps a Widow and Her Sons (2 Kings 4:1-7)	"He defends the cause of the fatherless and the widow, and loves the alien, giving him food and clothing" (Deuteronomy 10:18).	God cares for needy people.
WEEK 2	God Heals Naaman's Leprosy (2 Kings 5:1-16)	"Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time" (1 Peter 5:6).	God wants us to be humble.
WEEK 3	Jonah Learns a Lesson (Jonah 1-3)	"The ways of the Lord are right; the righteous walk in them, but the rebellious stumble in them" (Hosea 14:9).	Following God is always the right choice.
WEEK 4	Jonah Complains About God's Compassion (Jonah 3:10-4:11)	"The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance" (2 Peter 3:9).	God wants us to love everyone.
WEEK 5	God Calls Isaiah (Isaiah 6:1-8)	"Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the Lord our Maker" (Psalm 95:6).	God is holy.
WEEK 6	Josiah Promises to Follow the Lord (2 Chronicles 34)	"All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work" (2 Timothy 3:16-17).	God's Word changes our lives.
WEEK 7	Daniel's Friends Are Safe in the Fiery Furnace (Daniel 3)	"Be on your guard; stand firm in the faith; be men of courage; be strong" (1 Corinthians 16:13).	Stand strong for God.
WEEK 8	God Protects Daniel in the Lions' Den (Daniel 6:1-23)	"Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus" (Philippians 4:6-7).	God protects us.
WEEK 9	God Promises to Restore Israel After the Exile (Jeremiah 29:4-14)	"'For I know the plans I have for you,' declares the Lord, 'plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future'" (Jeremiah 29:11).	We seek God no matter what happens.
WEEK 10	Nehemiah Seeks God's Forgiveness for Israel (Nehemiah 1:1-2:9)	"If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land" (2 Chronicles 7:14).	We seek God's forgiveness.
WEEK 11	Nehemiah Rebuilds the Wall (Nehemiah 2:11-6:19)	"Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men" (Colossians 3:23).	God helps us face challenges.
WEEK 12	Esther Saves Her People (Esther 2-9)	"For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do" (Ephesians 2:10).	Everyone can serve God.
WEEK 13	Job Remains Faithful in Suffering (Job 1:1-2:10; 42:1-6, 10-17)	"But those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint" (Isaiah 40:31).	God brings us hope when we're hurting.



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