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Lesson 14: ELIJAH GETS FOOD FROM HEAVEN

1st KINGS 16:29-17:6, JAMES 5:16-17

The Bible says that the half-kingdom of Israel got a very wicked king named Ahab. He married a foreign woman named Jezebel. She didn't love God. Instead, she worshiped idols.

Ahab and Jezebel were so wicked that even Jeroboam's 2 false-god cows weren't enough for them. They began to worship the false-god Baal, too. And then they put up false-god poles. Ahab and Jezebel led the Israelites in terrible idol worship of false-god cows, and false-god Baals, and false-god poles.





But, God sent a prophet named Elijah. Elijah loved and worshiped God, even though everyone around him was worshiping idols.





Ahab and Jezebel thought that their false gods controlled the weather and crops. Elijah wanted to prove those false gods were powerless and couldn't do anything at all.

So, Elijah told Ahab, "God will send a drought. As surely as God lives, it's not going to rain again until I tell it to."



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Elijah prayed that it would not rain in Ahab's kingdom. And sure enough... no more rain. You know what happens in a drought when it doesn't rain? The crops can't grow. The rivers dry up. Many things die without water. That makes it very hard for people to find the food and water they need.

Do you think that might humble the people if their water dries up and their crops die out? Do you think that might help show the people that their false gods can't control things, but that God Almighty can? Maybe that would help the people humbly come back to the real God, Yahweh.





God had a plan for Elijah to find water. God told Elijah, "Go hide in a ravine called Kerith." (A ravine is like a deep valley between 2 mountains. It would be hard for wicked King Ahab to find Elijah if he was hiding between mountains!) "And there's a brook to drink from in the ravine," God said. When Elijah arrived between the mountains to hide, he found the Brook Kerith with water to drink.

God also had a plan to send food to Elijah. God sent birds to take food to him. Each morning and evening ravens brought meat and bread to Elijah. God took care of Elijah, didn't He? Every single thing he needed was provided for.



Sadly, Ahab and Jezebel didn't turn back to God. The King and Queen and the Israelites kept on worshiping idols. So, Israel suffered a drought for 3 years.



God has a great plan to bless everyone who trusts and follows Him. God will take very good care of you, too, as you learn to trust and obey Him.

# PRIMARY GRADES ACTIVITY Color the picture of Elijah Fed by Ravens



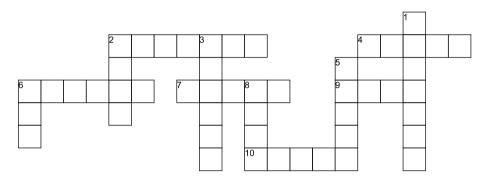
### **UPPER GRADES ACTIVITY**



## Elijah Is Fed by Ravens

"Go to the east and hide by Kerith Brook, near where it enters the Jordan River. Drink from the brook and eat what the ravens bring you, for I have commanded them to bring you food." 1 Kings 17:3-4 (NLT)

Using the clues at the bottom of the page for words that are Across or Down, write the correct words in the numbered grid below.



### **ACROSS**

- 2. The early part of a day.
- 4. A large black bird in the crow family.
- 6. The name of the prophet of God.
- 7. Food made of flour and water mixed together and baked.
- 9. Moisture that falls from the sky.
- 10. A small stream.

### DOWN

- 1. The later part of a day.
- 2. The flesh of an animal eaten as food.
- 3. The nation of the followers of God.
- 5. Take liquid into the mouth and swallow.
- 6. Put food into the mouth and chew and swallow it.
- 8. A wicked king of Israel.

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l	BREAD	EVENING	RAVEN	ISRAEL	DRINK	AHAB



What do you learn about God in this lesson?

How does this help you?