

Message Reflection Guide

Generosity with Resources | 1 Kings 17:8-16



Begin with Prayer

Pray that the Holy Spirit would illuminate the words of Scripture so that you may understand how God is communicating with you.

Scripture

Read 1 Kings 17:8-16. Optional texts: Acts 4:32-35, Romans 5:15, Psalm 24:1

Observe

What do we learn about the widow's situation? What does her response reveal about her faith?

Why do you think Elijah says "do not fear" in verse 13?

What does this passage teach us about God's provision and multiplication?

How does the New Testament describe generosity of other believers? How is Jesus's generosity described?

Apply

What do you personally have in abundance? What do you have in limited supply?

Is there something you've been holding onto that God may be asking you to surrender?

How does fear and anxiety affect your willingness to be generous? What helps you move from a scarcity mindset to an open-hands mindset?

Create a "generosity inventory" by listing items you have in abundance and also items you have in limited supply. How might God use these items to multiply His Kingdom?

Prayer

Close with a time of intentional prayer:

Father God, You are the owner of all things. Everything we have is Yours, and we thank You for entrusting us with resources to steward. Jesus, thank You for Your ultimate act of generosity—giving Your life so that many might live. Teach us to follow Your example, even when it costs us comfort or control. Holy Spirit, speak to our hearts. Show us what we're holding onto and give us courage to release it. Multiply our obedience for Kingdom impact. May our generosity reflect Your love, and may it lead to miracles we cannot yet see. In Jesus's name, amen.