1 Kings 17:1, "And Elijah the Tishbite, of the inhabitants of Gilead, said to Ahab, 'As the LORD God of Israel lives, before whom I stand, there shall not be dew nor rain these years, except at my word."

1 Kings 17:2, "Then the word of the LORD came to him, saying,

The Command (v. 3)

1 Kings 17:3, "Get away from here and turn eastward, and hide by the Brook Cherith, which flows into the Jordan."



Prov. 11:2, "When pride comes, then comes dishonor, but with the humble is wisdom."

Prov. 15:33, "The fear of the LORD is the instruction [training] for wisdom, and before honor comes humility."

Prov. 29:23, "A man's pride will bring him low, but a humble spirit will obtain honor."

Prov. 15:33, "The fear of the LORD is the instruction [training] for wisdom, and before honor comes humility."

Prov. 29:23, "A man's pride will bring him low, but a humble spirit will obtain honor."

rAs...wm (mu®saœr)
"instruction, discipline, training"

Prov. 22:4, "The reward of humility and the fear of the LORD are riches, honor and life."

Heb 2:10, "For it was fitting for Him, for whom are all things, and through whom are all things, in bringing many sons to glory, to perfect the author of their salvation through sufferings."

Hebrews 5:8, "though He was a Son, *yet* He learned obedience by the things which He suffered."

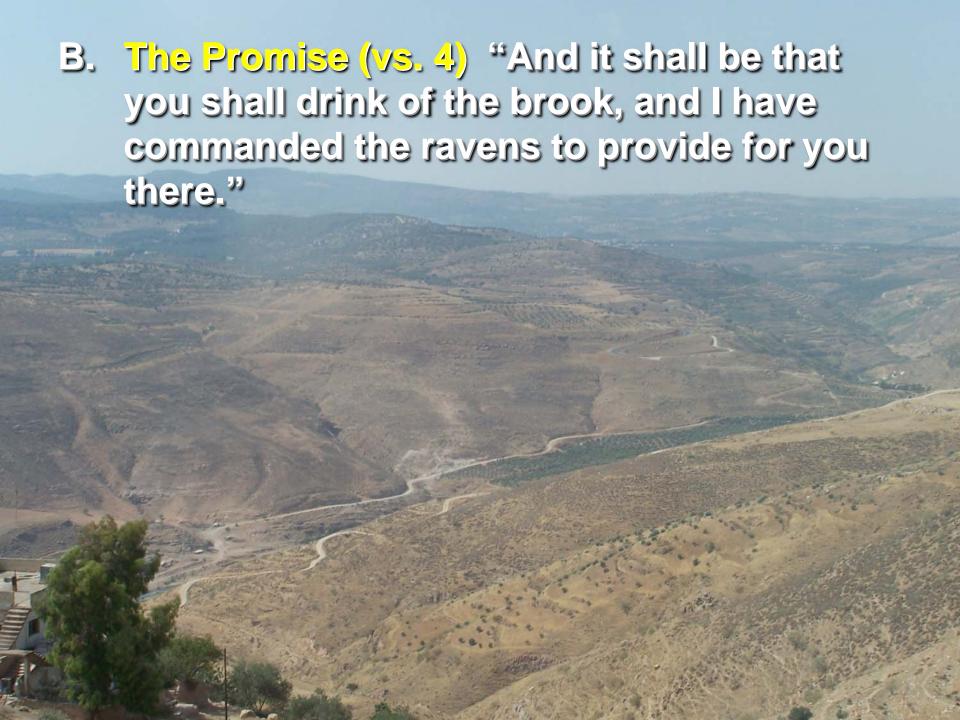
2 Cor 12:7–10,

"For this reason, to keep me from exalting myself, there was given me a thorn in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to buffet me—to keep me from exalting myself!

"Concerning this I entreated the Lord three times that it might depart from me. And He has said to me, 'My grace is sufficient for you, for power is perfected in weakness." James 1:2-4,

"Count it all joy my brethren when you encounter various tests, because you know that the testing of you faith produces endurance and let endurance have its maturing result, that you may be mature and complete lacking in nothing."

1 Kings 17:4, "It shall be that you will drink of the brook, and I have commanded the ravens to provide for you there."



C. The Response (vss. 5, 6) "So he went and did according to the word of the Lord, for he went and lived by the brook Cherith, which is east of the Jordan. And the ravens brought him bread and meat in the morning and bread and meat in the evening, and he would drink from the brook."

1 Kings 17:7, "It happened after a while that the brook dried up, because there was no rain in the land."

1 Kings 17:8, "Then the word of the LORD came to him, saying,

1 Kings 17:9, "Arise, go to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and stay there; behold, I have commanded a widow there to provide for you."

A. The Command (vs. 9a) "Arise, go to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon and stay there."



B. The Promise (vs. 9b), "I have commanded a widow there to provide for you."

Ephesians 1:3, "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ,"

2 Pet. 1:3, "seeing that His divine power has granted to us everything pertaining to life and godliness, through the true knowledge of Him who called us by His own glory and excellence.

2 Pet. 1:4, "For by these He has granted to us His precious and magnificent promises, in order that by them you might become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world by lust."

What is Grace Orientation?

Aligning our thinking and actions with God's policy of grace: that all that we are and have in this life comes from the kindness and benevolence of God, and that nothing is due to our own inherent abilities, talents, or efforts.

GRACE ORIENTATION

- Humility
- Authority orientation
- Relaxed mental attitude
- Mastery of the details of life

Philippians 2:8, "Being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross."

C. Lesson Applied (10–12)

"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, 'Please get me a little water in a jar, that I may drink.' And as she was going to get it, he called to her and said, 'Please bring me a piece of bread in your hand.' But she said, 'As the Lord your God live, I have no bread, only a handful of flour in the bowl and a little oil in the jar; and behold, I am gathering a few sticks that I may go in and prepare for me and my son, that we may eat it and die.""

1 Kings 17:13–14

"Do not fear; go, do as you have said, but make me a little bread cake from it first, and bring it out to me, and afterward you may make one for yourself and for your son. For thus says the Lord God of Israel, 'The bowl of flour shall not be exhausted, nor shall the jar of oil be empty, until the day that the Lord sends rain on the face of the earth."