

My God will supply all your needs

2 Kings 4:1-7, Phil 4:19

- A chapter of 5 miracles of provision - Different people, different needs.
- All cry out to God. All of them find the same truth, God provides.

1. **Being a Christian does not exempt you from trouble v1**

- An aggravated problem – they had been faithful, and now this!
- “In this world you will have trouble” (John 16:33).

2. **Fix the problem not the blame v1**

- The widow doesn't blame God - no “Poor me” complex
- A God big enough to be blamed is big enough to have a reason
- She prayed - the privilege of Christians – access to God
- Compare 2 Kings 3:13-14 - Not everyone has this privilege.
- Don't allow trouble to cause bitterness or self-pity.

3. **God is concerned about each of his people v2**

- A nameless widow in a book of kings. But God is interested in the details of her life.
- She gets the same amount of resources as the kings do.

4. **God seeks to strengthen the faith of his people v3**

- God doesn't wave a magic wand - Elisha sends her on a test of her faith.
- God orders the difficulties to strengthen our faith.
- And according to her faith it was done to her. (Matt 9:29)
- We need to keep obeying and trusting even when it seems pointless, because that is when God is at work.

5. **God displays his overflowing kindness in supplying the needs of his people**

- God not only cleared her debt, but he has given her enough to live on.
- That which frees from debt also enables her to live.
- No situation that God's goodness and power aren't able to supply.
- God has more to give than we can ever contain.

A great picture of the Gospel

- Someone in great debt. Unable to pay. What hope?
- In Christ Jesus God has provided the price we needed to pay to be free from sin. A continuous supply of forgiveness.
- And that which frees us from debt enables us to live each day as it comes.
- We need to learn to apply the gospel to ourselves daily.



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Sabbath 9th - Gently Broken by God - Genesis 32

Opening Psalm: 88:7-12

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