

1 Kings 17:2-16

<sup>1</sup> Now Elijah the Tishbite, of Tishbe in Gilead, said to Ahab, "As the Lord the God of Israel lives, before whom I stand, there shall be neither dew nor rain these years, except by my word." <sup>2</sup> And the word of the LORD came to him: <sup>3</sup> "Depart from here and turn eastwards and hide yourself by the brook Cherith, which is east of the Jordan. <sup>4</sup> You shall drink from the brook, and I have commanded the ravens to feed you there." <sup>5</sup> So he went and did according to the word of the LORD. He went and lived by the brook Cherith that is east of the Jordan. <sup>6</sup> And the ravens brought him bread and meat in the morning, and bread and meat in the evening, and he drank from the brook. <sup>7</sup> And after a while the brook dried up, because there was no rain in the land.

<sup>8</sup> Then the word of the LORD came to him, <sup>9</sup> "Arise, go to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and dwell there. Behold, I have commanded a widow there to feed you." <sup>10</sup> 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, "Bring me a little water in a vessel, that I may drink." <sup>11</sup> And as she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, "Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand." <sup>12</sup> And she said, "As the LORD your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of flour in a jar and a little oil in a jug. And now I am gathering a couple of sticks that I may go in and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it and die." <sup>13</sup> And Elijah said to her, "Do not fear; go and do as you have said. But first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterwards make something for yourself and your son. <sup>14</sup> For thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, "The jar of flour shall not be spent, and the jug of oil shall not be empty, until the day that the LORD sends rain upon the earth.'" <sup>15</sup> And she went and did as Elijah said. And she and he and her household ate for many days. <sup>16</sup> The jar of flour was not spent, neither did the jug of oil become empty, according to the word of the LORD that he spoke by Elijah.

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## One Thing in Common

Fri Sept 28 (No regular midweek talk on Wed/Thurs)

Interview with Stef Reid

12.05-12.45pm (Idea Store)

1.05-1.45 pm (Barge)

Stef Reid is a track and field Paralympian competing for Great Britain at London 2012. She has just won silver in the T42/44 Long Jump, setting two new Paralympic records. She is also competing in the 100m & 200m. The 27th Next Words

Series: The extreme love of God

Talk: ...Plundering the grave (1 Kings 17:17-24)

Speaker: Andrew Latimer

in a boating accident aged 16. She will be interviewed and tell her story of her life and faith in this special event on St Peter's Barge.

# The Extreme Love of God ...Crossing Boundaries

1 Kings 17:1-16

Andrew Latimer

1) We are part of God's team

... with a captain set on giving eternal life

...with others all united in that one purpose

2) Our life (a holy life)

...is a life of ministry

...(because it) is a life of love

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After the talk today, there will be a short Q&A session, time