

SPIRITUAL TASK — ELIJAH SENT TO THE WIDOW (1 Kings 17)

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Story During a famine in Israel, Elijah was sent to a widow who was at the gate of the city gathering sticks to make a fire to cook the last meal for herself and her son before they died. Elijah asked her for water, and then for some bread to eat. She told him her situation, but he told her to make some for him first. When she did her jar of oil and her container of flour never ran out.

Meaning The spiritual meaning here is clear. If our attitude is one of being willing to serve the Lord and our neighbor we will have all the spiritual nourishment we need to carry us through difficult times.

Task This week in order to open ourselves up to serving the Lord and our neighbor, begin each day with this simple prayer: Lord, what is Your will for me today? Please open my eyes that I may see, and my heart that I may do.