

Super Savings for the Needy II Kings 4

The helpless widow, 1-7

- ◆ SOP's = men being taught / trained in modest communities led by Elijah / Elisha (can be married) 2:3,7, 5:22, 6:1, 9:1, I Kgs. 20:35.
- ◆ Temporary slavery for indebtedness, Lev. 25:39-41, Dt. 15:12ff.
- ◆ Elisha's use of the widow's resources suggests . . .? I Kgs. 17:14

The hungry sons of the prophets, 38-41

- ◆ Famine for apostasy (Dt. 28:23,24) is later explicit in 2 Kgs. 8:1.
- ◆ Wild gourds (*Citrullus Colocynthis*) ruin the soup till Elisha fixes it.
- ◆ Odd meal additive recalls 2:20, and later 5:10. See Jn. 9:6,7 too.
- ◆ Note evil rulers / nation bring struggles for faithful folk as well.

The hundred men, 42-44

- ◆ Why is this fellow offering *firstfruits* (Dt. 18:4,5) to Elisha?
- ◆ Elisha's multiplication here recalls Jn. 6:5-13. What similar lesson seems apparent here as well?



These = cool stories here, but what must we remember about our biblical supers? They save the day plus they . . .

Again it is Yahweh and not Baal who is in control of oil and foodstuffs. These miracles again show Baal is a bogus god!