

TWCC Sermon Connection Outline and Notes - "Momma's Oil and Opportunity"

Sunday, May 10th, 2020

2 Kings 4:1 - 8 (NKJV) – "A certain woman of the wives of the sons of the prophets cried out to Elisha, saying, "Your servant my husband is dead, and you know that your servant feared the LORD. And the creditor is coming to take my two sons to be his slaves." ² So Elisha said to her, "What shall I do for you? Tell me, what do you have in the house?" And she said, "Your maidservant has nothing in the house but a jar of oil." ³ Then he said, "Go, borrow vessels from everywhere, from all your neighbors—empty vessels; do not gather just a few. ⁴ And when you have come in, you shall shut the door behind you and your sons; then pour it into all those vessels, and set aside the full ones." ⁵ So she went from him and shut the door behind her and her sons, who brought the vessels to her; and she poured it out. ⁶ Now it came to pass, when the vessels were full, that she said to her son, "Bring me another vessel." And he said to her, "There is not another vessel." So the oil ceased. ⁷ Then she came and told the man of God. And he said, "Go, sell the oil and pay your debt; and you and your sons live on the rest."

MOMMA'S OIL AND FAITH IN OPERATION

•	The oil was "in the house" and she knew where it was. The message behind the miracle begins
	to unfold when Elisha poses the question that sets the tone for our sermonic inquiry, asking the
	mother in our text, "What do you have in the house?"

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o Mark 11:22 - 24 (NKJV) - "²² So Jesus answered and said to them, "Have faith in God. ²³ For assuredly, I say to you, whoever says to this mountain, 'Be removed and be cast

be done, he will have whatever he says. 24 Therefore I say to you, whatever things you ask when you pray, believe that you receive them, and you will have them." **<u>2nd LESSON</u>**: _____and _____to **<u>DIVINE INSTRUCTION</u>** are a vital necessity! Divine ______ and obeying Divine ______ is our **FAITH** and corresponding _____ or **ACTIONS** of _____.
This widowed women and mother, _____ in faith and _____ the Divine Instructions given to her by the Prophet of God. This Prophet Elisha represented the _____ and _____ of the God in her life for the financial ____ she so desperately needed. James 2:17, 20 (NKJV) - "17 Thus also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead. ²⁰ But do you want to know, O foolish man, that faith without works is dead?" God our Father will _____ what we can't, but we must ____ what we can DO. There is: (1) God's _____ and (2) Our ____ to play and partner in receiving _____from Him. I believe He still the God of MIRACLES! What is our working on? We can sit and do nothing and _____ for a miracle from God or we can do like this widow put her _____ and ____ in action and _____ for a miracle. I believe we can be either in (1) _____ or (2) in ____ or (3) in Genuine, Authentic _____ when we face: problems, pain, pressures or o Anybody person can receive _____ and ____ by ____ no matter how bad, ugly, hopeless or dark the situation is. 1 John 5:4 (NLT) - "For every child of God defeats this evil world, and we achieve this victory through our faith." MOMMA'S FAITH OPPORTUNITIES SHE TAKES TO SEE AND SIEZE A MIRACLE Read 2 Kings 4:9 - 37 (NKJV) This next woman, both _____ and ____ two MIRACLES!

First, she ____ an opportunity to ____ and ___ (lay hold) of the ____ of God in her house. She didn't want the ____ of God to pass by and pass over her house. **3rd LESSON:** The third lesson we learn through this Shunamite Women is: o (1st) Our ______ is what God is pleased with, not our FASHION, nor our FAMILY name or our FINANCES. (Hebrews 11:6 (NKJV) - "But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him."). • FAITH please God! FAITH excites and engages God in your life! (2nd) And when we _____and ____ the Lord, He gives us the ____ of our heart. (Psalms 37:4 (NKJV) - "Delight yourself also in the Lord, and He shall give you the desires of your heart."). This women had the desire in her heart to have a child. God granted her that She _____ a Faith Opportunity to step out and step up to _____ the man of God and bring the _____ of God in her house. God was pleased with your faith and granted her a _____ 4th LESSON: _____ maintains and holds on to the _____ of what you **BELIEVE** to **RECEIVE**. o When her son died, she didn't run off and blab, cry and post on Social Media all that went wrong. She told everyone she met..."All is well". She was <u>DISCIPLINED</u> in her speech! Her faith was <u>FOCUSED</u> and TENACIOUS. o Hebrews 10:23 (KJV) - "Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering;

into the sea,' and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that those things he says will

(for He is faithful that promised;)"

- When pain, problems, pressures and contradictory predicaments face off with you, you
 have to get a <u>GRIP</u> on your lip! Maintain your <u>CONFESSION</u> of faith! Hold fast to
 saying what you <u>BELIEVE</u> and not what you <u>SEE</u> or <u>FEEL</u> naturally.
- Her <u>FAITH</u> and <u>FAITHFULNESS</u> was genuine! Our faith to step out is worthless without the faithfulness to stick it out and tough it out through the <u>storms</u> and <u>situations</u> of life.
- The Big Question: Is Your Faith Genuine Mother?
- **2 Timothy 1:3 5 (NKJV)** "³ I thank God, whom I serve with a pure conscience, as my forefathers did, as without ceasing I remember you in my prayers night and day, ⁴ greatly desiring to see you, being mindful of your tears, that I may be filled with joy, ⁵ when I call to remembrance the **genuine faith** that is in you, which dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice, and I am persuaded is in you also."
- We must learn that **FAITH** is not hereditary it is **learned** by <u>observation</u>, <u>association</u> and <u>assimilation</u>.
- The greatest gift parents and grandparents can give their children is the heritage of **GENIUNE** FAITH. An important question for any Christian to ask is: If you were standing on the threshold of eternity and looking back over your life, would you be able to see that your faith lives on in others, especially in your family members?
 - o "What we do becomes history, but what we set in motion becomes legacy." Bishop/Dr. Dale C. Bronner
 - Genuine/Unfeigned = sincere; non-hypocritical
- Eunice (a Mother) was not just a mother; she was a **MODEL**. She and her Mother (Lois) were Mother's on a mission and in the ministry of Motherhood.
- <u>Titus 2:3 5 (NKJV)</u> "³ the older women likewise, that they be reverent in behavior, not slanderers, not given to much wine, teachers of good things— ⁴ that they admonish the young women to love their husbands, to love their children, ⁵ to be discreet, chaste, homemakers, good, obedient to their own husbands, that the word of God may not be blasphemed."
- Motherhood is ordained by God and part of His Great **PLAN**!
- The references here to marriage, family and homemaking are not strict prohibitions against a woman working outside the home. Rather, they're reminders that, during the child-rearing years especially, it is paramount for a woman, wife and mother to manage her household and tend to family life.

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