



## God Cares for Elijah

*This story is based on 1 Kings 17:8-16.*

Elijah [ee-LIE-jah] was God's helper. He went on a trip to tell people about God. *(Pat knees.)* Elijah became hungry. He was thirsty, too. Elijah didn't need to worry, though, because God was watching over him.

God said to Elijah, "Go into town. A woman there will give you food and a drink."

In town, Elijah saw the woman God told him about. He asked her for food and water.

The woman said, "I can give you water, but

I can't give you food. *(Shake head.)* I have only a little flour and oil to make one last meal for my son and me."

Elijah said, "Fix the food for all of us. God will give us more."

So the woman mixed the flour and oil. She made bread for Elijah and her son and herself.

Then God made a wonderful thing happen. God gave the woman all the flour and oil she needed to make food for her family and Elijah every day.

# God Cares for Us

Bible Truth: God takes care of us.

It was Saturday afternoon. Mrs. Johnson was preparing lunch for Anthony and Tiana. She invited a family from church to come and eat too. Anthony and Tiana were so hungry. They couldn't wait to eat. But they had to wait.

"Children, go and play," said Mrs. Johnson. "I am still preparing food and our guests won't be here for a little while."

"Who is coming over?" asked Tiana.

"A new family from church. The dad lost his job, and they do not have a

lot of money for food," said Mrs. Johnson.

"So we are sharing some of our food with them?" Anthony asked.

"Yes, and they have children about your age," said Mrs. Johnson.

The children were excited. They played until the family came.

Everyone sat down to eat. Anthony prayed, "Dear God, thank You for giving us food to eat and share with our new friends. Thank you for taking care of us. In Jesus' name. Amen."



## Bible Memory Verse

God is love. 1 John 4:8

**Family Time** Just as He did for Elijah in today's Bible story, God takes care of us. To remind your family of this Bible truth, label a paper "We can trust God to take care of us." Help your child think of things God provides, and write them on the chart. Some ideas to include are food, clothing, a home, and family. Have your children draw these items or cut pictures from a magazine to glue on the chart. Then hang the chart in a place where your family will see it. You may put the memory verse on the chart and say it each day.