

# *Resurrection Life of Jesus Church*

## TRUSTING AND RESTING IN GOD

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### PART 1: LEARNING TO TRUST

#### THE PROPHET ELIJAH

(Elijah is Hebrew and means "My God is Yahweh")

#### LEARNING TO TRUST

- The Bible does not tell us anything about Elijah, his parents or his birth. All the Bible tells us is that this man came from an area around Gilead. We do not know his age at this time, all the Bible tells us is that when God activated this prophet, he had been up to now an unknown man in the Northern kingdom. **1 Kings 17:1**
- Without hesitation, Elijah went and told King Ahab that from now on it would be he, not the king, who was in control of Israel!
- Resisting a king meant an automatic death sentence, and that is why God told Elijah to go and hide. **verses 2-3**
- Elijah trusted that God would take care of him supernaturally, there was no hesitation. **verses 4-6**
- When the brook dried up, God told Elijah to move to a different location. **verses 7-9**
- Why did not God from the beginning tell Elijah to go to the widow? The answer: Trusting God requires faith and faith comes in stages. *Before a Christian can trust God in large and difficult matters, faith is built in small increments.* **Romans 10:17**
- When Elijah met the widow, he needed to have faith in God and she needed to have faith that Elijah was indeed a man of God! **verses 10-16**
- A new time of testing came for both Elijah and the widow with the death of her only son. **verses 17-18**
- There was unbelief in the widow and also in Elijah. **verses 19-21**
- God heard his prayer and the issue between the widow and Elijah as to whether or not he really was a man of God was settled once and for all. **verses 21-24**

If we cannot trust God in small things, why do we deceive ourselves by thinking that we will be able to withstand the Mark of the Beast when it is issued? **Revelation 13:11-18**

Do you have an ear to hear with?

