Oct 19, 2025 - Elisha II Kings 2-6

Story:

★ Introduction & Story:

When King Solomon (King David's son) died, the tribes of Israel split into two different kingdoms and then had two kings. The Northern Kings were all evil. The Southern Kings sometimes followed God and sometimes were evil. During this time, God sent prophets to tell the Israelites (and others) to follow God. Last week, we talked about Elijah - a famous prophet of God.

When the prophet Elijah had grown old and his work for God was nearly done, God sent a new man by the name of Elisha. Elisha went everywhere with Elijah. He was learning the ways of the older prophet. Both men knew that it would soon be time for Elijah to go to heaven.

Elijah asked young Elisha, "What do you want me to do for you before I am taken away?"

Elisha answered, "Let me have a double portion of your spirit."

Elijah knew that only God could give such a gift. He said, "If you see me when I am taken away from you, you will know that God has given you what you ask."

The two men walked on and talked. Suddenly, chariots of fire and horses separated the two of them. Elijah was taken up to heaven by a whirlwind.

Elisha was well loved by the Israelites. He visited the people in Israel, both rich and poor. God enabled Elisha to perform many miracles.

Once he helped a woman who was very poor and needed money to pay her debt. She told him that the only thing she had was a small pot of oil. (In those days, everyone needed oil to burn in their lamps.) Elisha told her to borrow as many pots from her neighbors as she could. He told her to pour the oil in the pots. She kept pouring and pouring, but she still had oil in her small pot. She was able to sell all the oil and pay her debt.

Another miracle - he raised a child from the dead. A couple in a town called Shunem had a small boy that suddenly became ill. The child died and the mother quickly traveled to where the prophet Elisha was. Elisha came and prayed over the boy and asked God to raise him from the dead. And God did!

One time there was a man who had leprosy. (This is a very bad disease that at the time could not be cured.) Elisha told him to go to wash in the Jordan river seven times and the leprosy would be healed. And that is exactly what happened.

Still another time. He made an axe head that had fallen into the river, float to the top of the water. The axe head was made of iron and was very heavy, but God gave Elisha the ability to cause it to float to the top of the water.

God used Elisha in a mighty way.

★ Connection to God's Overall Story/Plan: God used Elisha to perform so many miracles so that the Israelites would remember to follow Him. Not because Elisha was super smart or super powerful on his own, but Elisha was willing and obedient. These miracles show us that God loves us - He cares about our needs and will provide for us. Also, God promised to take care of the Israelites - He does that through Elisha - even though the Israelites are not following the Lord at this point.

Follow Up:

* Retell: Have kids share what they recall from the story. Fill in any major holes they missed.

* Examine:

- Comprehension Questions:
 - Why do you think Elisha was able to do miracles? (He was used by God.)
 - How was Elisha like Jesus? (They did many similar miracles.)
 - How was Elisha different from Jesus? (Elisha was a prophet. Jesus is the son of God and died for our sins.)
- Ask, "What do we learn about God from this story? What does He do?"
 - God cares about us and keeps His promise to love us. He sends Jesus to fulfill this promise.
- Ask, "What do we learn about humans from this story? What are humans doing?"
 - We are needy and cannot do everything on our own. God can work through us.
- **Application**: Ask, "What is Jesus asking us to do through this story? Why did God include this in the Bible?"

God is not promising that we can all raise the dead or make axes float.
 Rather, God is asking us to trust Him. He is also asking us to let Him use us.

★ Prayer

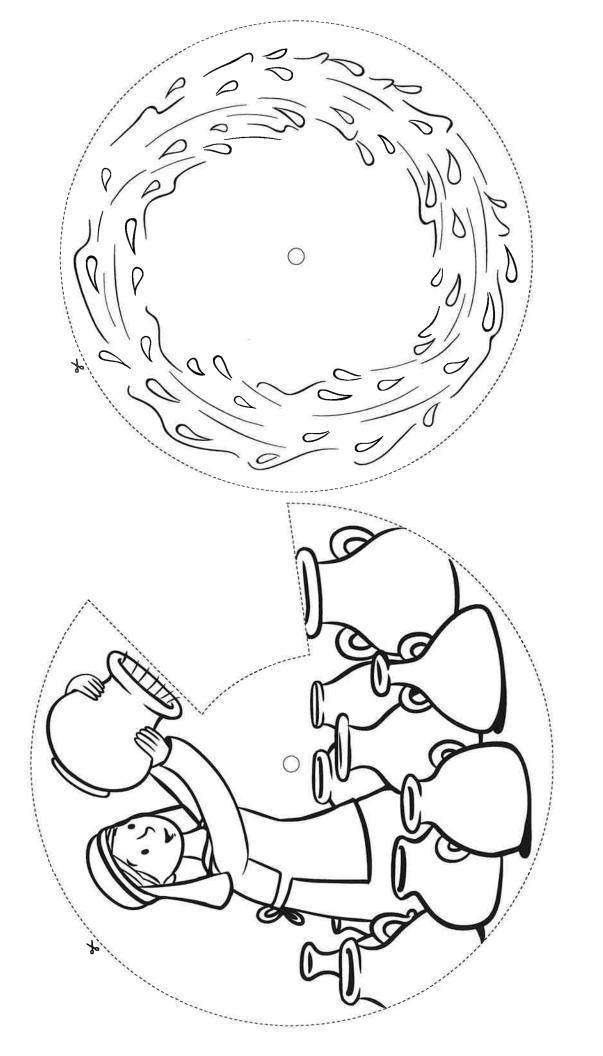
Memory Verse Practice:

★ Verse: "I am able to do all things through him who strengthens me." Philippians 4:13

Sticky Activities:

- ★ Coloring page
- ★ Preschool: Have the kids fill jars with water (talk about how her oil never ran out)
- ★ Spinner Wheel of never ending oil
- ★ Activity pages

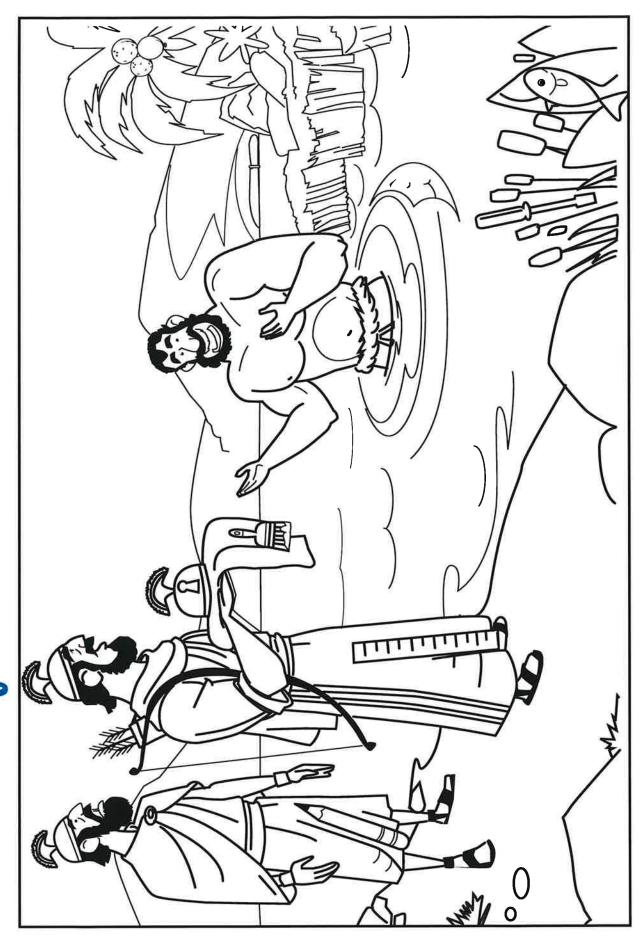
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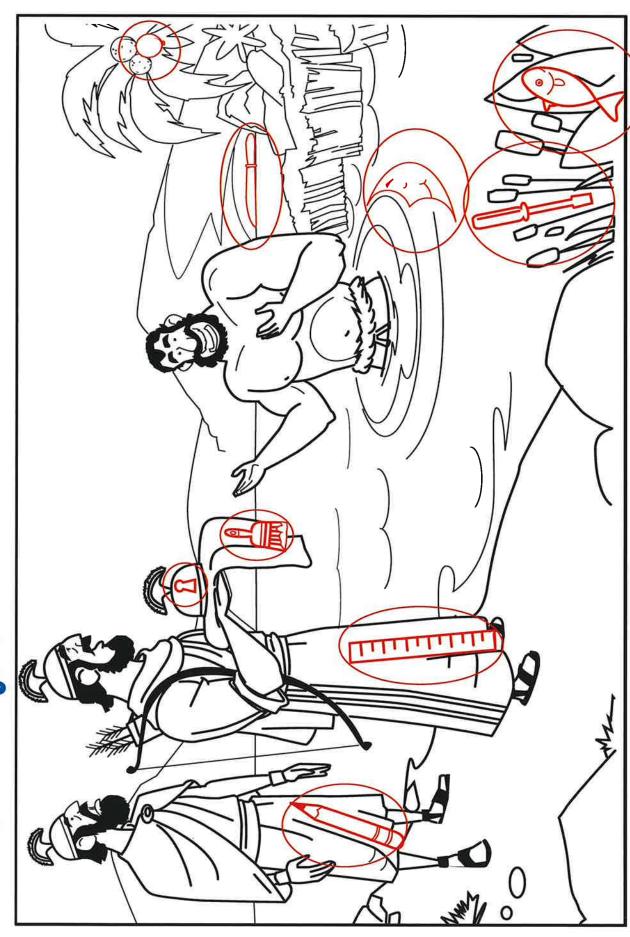
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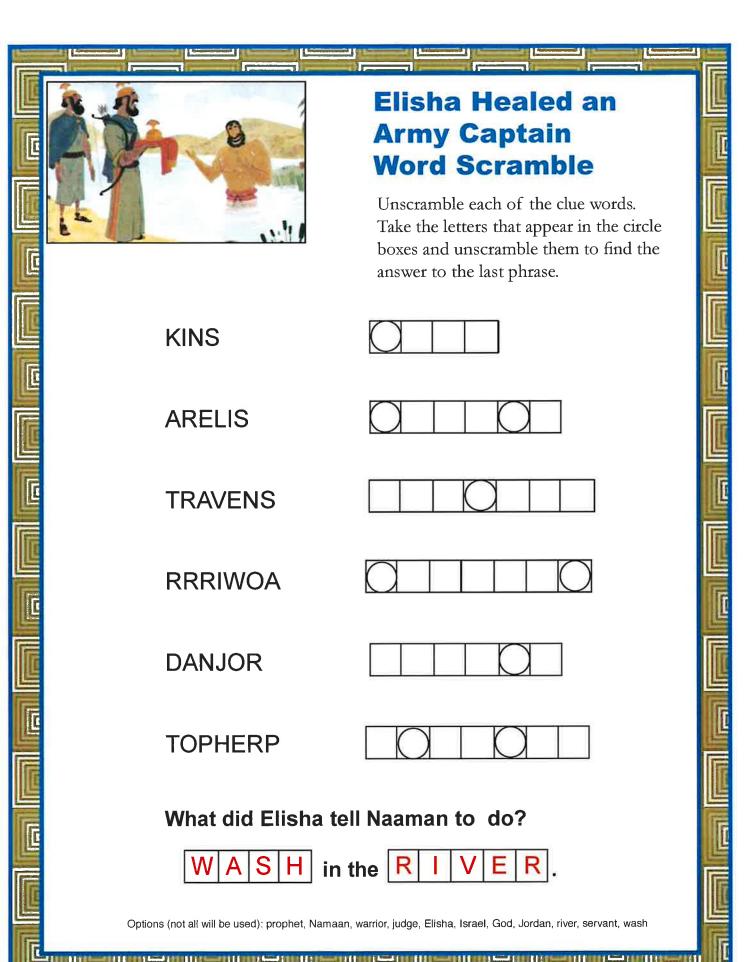
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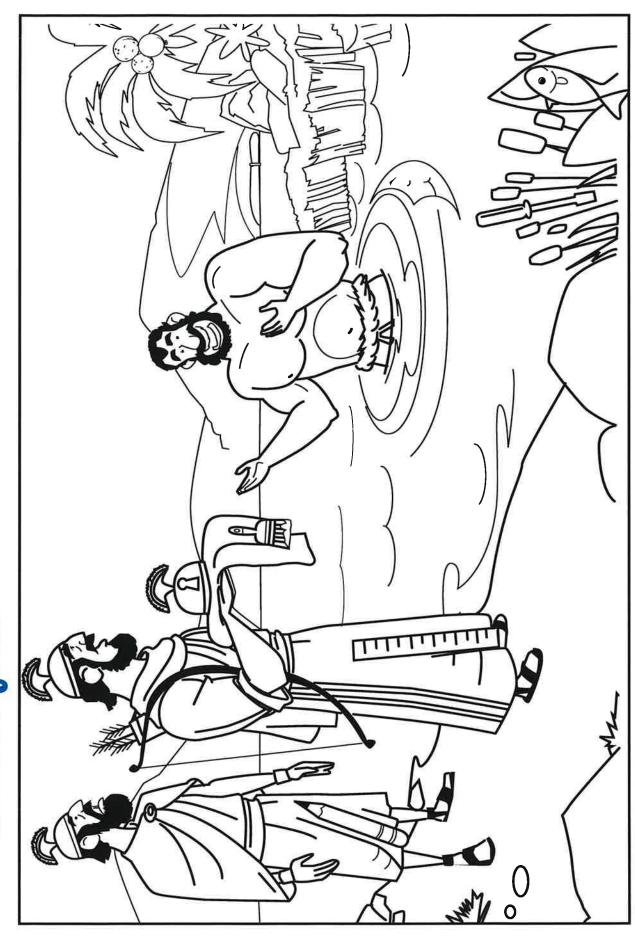




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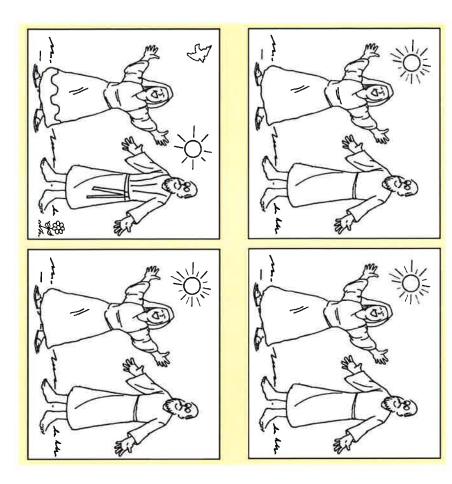
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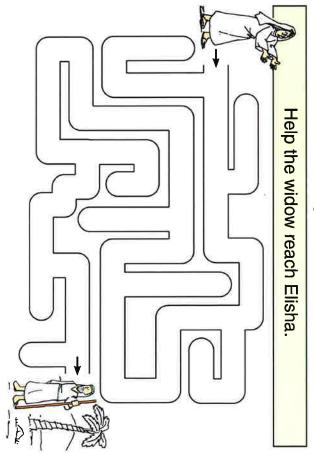


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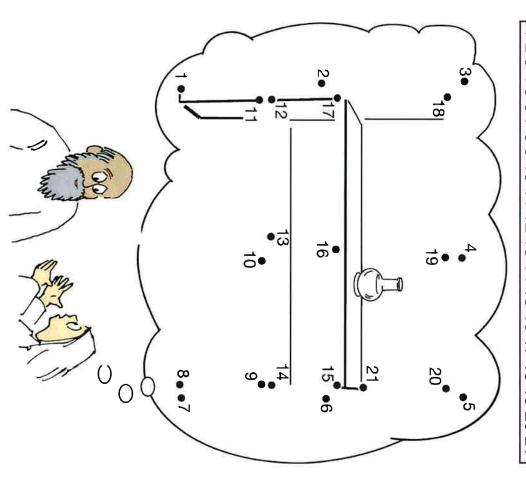
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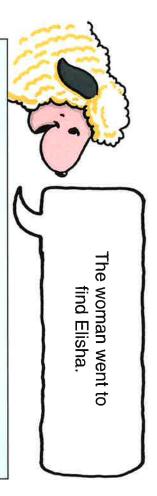
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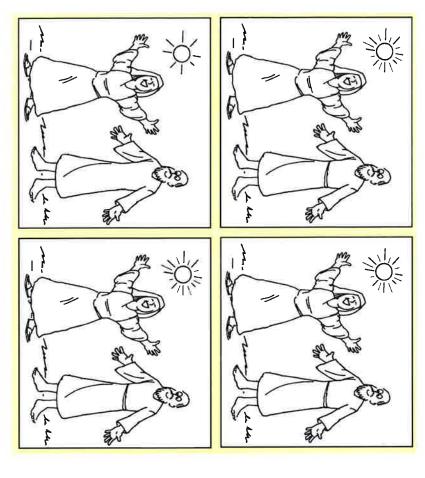
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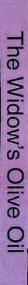
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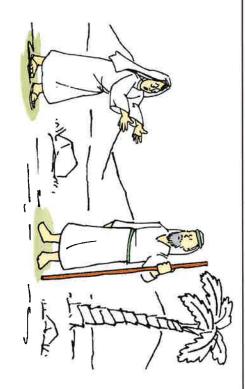
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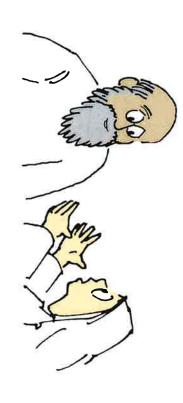


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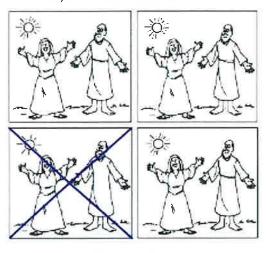
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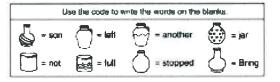


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