

## **I WILL CELEBRATE CHRIST'S GRACE**

### **I Kings 17: 8-16**

Grace is God's unmerited favor. It is not something we can earn or work for but it is the favor that God gives us many times undeserved. Grace is God filling in the gap when we cannot achieve our goal on our own. Grace is God looking beyond our faults to meet our need. Grace like love never runs out because God gives more grace like He multiplies His love.

Our text reflects the love and grace of God when nature is beyond our control. In the midst of a famine God makes a way out of no way. This miracle occurs as a result of two people trusting God and obeying His voice during tough times. Elijah obeyed God when He sent Him to Zarephath to meet a widow woman. The widow obeyed the man of God Elijah by feeding him before she and her son ate their last meal. All of them survived and lived by the grace of God.

Our text suggests three ways that we can celebrate Christ's grace.

1. Observe the Examples of Grace. (vs. 10-11)
  - A. People of grace. (Elijah and the widow)
  - B. Provisions by grace. (bread and water)
  
2. Overcome the Excuses for Grace. (vs. 12-14)
  - A. Celebrate what you have (He supplies)
  - B. Celebrate what is happening (He's our source)
  
3. Ordain the Expectations by Grace. (vs. 15-16)
  - A. Learn to follow orders (God's voice)
  - B. Lean on the faithfulness of the Omnipotent (Our victory)