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1. Pass On Your Good, Godly  
Attributes and Character - Not Your  
Bad Stuff (*2 Timothy 1:5; 3:14-17*)

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1 Timothy 1:5 I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, dwells in you as well.

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1 Timothy 3:14 **But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it**

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<sup>15</sup> and how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.

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<sup>16</sup> All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness,

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<sup>17</sup> that the man of God may be  
complete, equipped for every  
good work.

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2. Put God First in Your Life and  
Family - Stop Your Despairing and  
Disillusionment

*(1 Kings 17:8-16, 17-24)*



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1 Kings 17:8 Then the word of the LORD came to him,

<sup>9</sup> “Arise, go to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and dwell there. Behold, I have commanded a widow there to feed you.”

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<sup>10</sup> So he arose and went to Zarephath. And when he came to the gate of the city, behold, a widow was there gathering sticks. And he called to her and said, “Bring me a little water in a vessel, that I may drink.”

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<sup>11</sup> And as she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, “Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand.”

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<sup>12</sup> And she said, “As the LORD your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of flour in a jar and a little oil in a jug. And now I am gathering a couple of sticks that I may go in and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it and die.”

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<sup>13</sup> And Elijah said to her, “Do not fear; go and do as you have said. But first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterward make something for yourself and your son.

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<sup>14</sup> For thus says the LORD, the God of Israel,  
‘The jar of flour shall not be spent, and the  
jug of oil shall not be empty, until the day that  
the LORD sends rain upon the earth.’”

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<sup>15</sup> And she went and did as Elijah  
said. And she and he and her  
household ate for many days.

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<sup>16</sup> The jar of flour was not spent,  
neither did the jug of oil become  
empty, according to the word of  
the LORD that he spoke by Elijah.



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<sup>17</sup> After this the son of the woman, the mistress of the house, became ill. And his illness was so severe that there was no breath left in him.

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<sup>18</sup> And she said to Elijah, “What have you against me, O man of God? You have come to me to bring my sin to remembrance and to cause the death of my son!”

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<sup>19</sup> And he said to her, “Give me your son.”  
And he took him from her arms and carried  
him up into the upper chamber where he  
lodged, and laid him on his own bed.

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<sup>20</sup> And he cried to the LORD,  
“O LORD my God, have you brought  
calamity even upon the widow with  
whom I sojourn, by killing her son?”

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<sup>21</sup> Then he stretched himself upon the child three times and cried to the LORD, “O LORD my God, let this child's life come into him again.”

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<sup>22</sup> And the LORD listened to the voice of Elijah. And the life of the child came into him again, and he revived.

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<sup>23</sup> And Elijah took the child and brought him down from the upper chamber into the house and delivered him to his mother. And Elijah said, “See, your son lives.”

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<sup>24</sup> And the woman said to Elijah, “Now I know that you are a man of God, and that the word of the LORD in your mouth is truth.”



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3. Prove Your Commitment to Jesus -  
Quit Playing with Him (and with the  
World)

*(1 Samuel 1:1-11, 19-20, 24-28)*

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1 Samuel 1:1 There was a certain man of Ramathaim-zophim of the hill country of Ephraim whose name was Elkanah the son of Jeroham, son of Elihu, son of Tohu, son of Zuph, an Ephrathite.

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<sup>2</sup> He had two wives. The name of the one was Hannah, and the name of the other, Peninnah. And Peninnah had children, but Hannah had no children.

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<sup>3</sup> Now this man used to go up year by year from his city to worship and to sacrifice to the LORD of hosts at Shiloh, where the two sons of Eli, Hophni and Phinehas, were priests of the LORD.

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<sup>4</sup> On the day when Elkanah sacrificed, he would give portions to Peninnah his wife and to all her sons and daughters.

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<sup>5</sup> But to Hannah he gave a double portion, because he loved her, though the LORD had closed her womb.

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<sup>6</sup> And her rival used to provoke her grievously to irritate her, because the LORD had closed her womb.

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<sup>7</sup> So it went on year by year. As often as she went up to the house of the LORD, she used to provoke her. Therefore Hannah wept and would not eat.



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<sup>8</sup> And Elkanah, her husband, said to her,  
“Hannah, why do you weep? And why do  
you not eat? And why is your heart sad? Am  
I not more to you than ten sons?”

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<sup>9</sup> After they had eaten and drunk in Shiloh, Hannah rose. Now Eli the priest was sitting on the seat beside the doorpost of the temple of the LORD.

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<sup>10</sup> She was deeply distressed and  
prayed to the LORD and wept  
bitterly.

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<sup>11</sup> And she vowed a vow and said, “O LORD of hosts, if you will indeed look on the affliction of your servant and remember me and not forget your servant, but will give to your servant a son, then I will give him to the LORD all the days of his life, and no razor shall touch his head.”

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<sup>19</sup> They rose early in the morning and worshiped before the LORD; then they went back to their house at Ramah. And Elkanah knew Hannah his wife, and the LORD remembered her.

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<sup>20</sup> And in due time Hannah conceived and bore a son, and she called his name Samuel, for she said, “I have asked for him from the LORD.”

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<sup>24</sup> And when she had weaned him, she took him up with her, along with a three-year-old bull, an ephah of flour, and a skin of wine, and she brought him to the house of the LORD at Shiloh. And the child was young.

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<sup>25</sup> Then they slaughtered the  
bull, and they brought the  
child to Eli.



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<sup>26</sup> And she said, “Oh, my lord! As you live, my lord, I am the woman who was standing here in your presence, praying to the LORD.

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<sup>27</sup> For this child I prayed, and the LORD has granted me my petition that I made to him.

<sup>28</sup> Therefore I have lent him to the LORD. As long as he lives, he is lent to the LORD.”



"All that I am or  
ever hope to be, I  
owe to my angel  
mother."

— Abraham Lincoln