

# ASK: There Will Be Enough

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A widow

A mother of 2

[creditor; predator?]

**Scared** 

**Scarcity Mindset** 

**1** The wife of a man <u>from the company of the prophets</u> cried out to Elisha,

"Your servant my husband is **dead**, and you know that <u>he revered the Lord</u>. But now his creditor is coming to take my two boys as his slaves."

2 Elisha replied to her, "How can I help you? Tell me, what
do you have in your house?"

"Your servant has **nothing there** at all," she said,

"...except a small jar of olive oil."



3 Elisha said, "Go around and ask all your neighbors for empty jars. Don't ask for just a few. 4 Then go inside and shut the door behind you and your sons. Pour oil into all the jars, and as each is filled, put it to one side."



5 She left him and shut the door behind her and her sons. They brought the jars to her and she kept pouring. 6 When all the jars were full, she said to her son, "Bring me another one."

But he replied, "There is not a jar left." Then the oil stopped flowing.

7 She went and told the man of God, and he said, "Go, sell the oil and pay your debts. You and your sons can live on what is left."





# ASK GOD: There Will Be Enough MORE THAN YOU COULD HAVE HOPED!

When you are desperate

You cry out to God

He helps you see

He's already put what you need

There in your house

(within you...

And within your community)



Ask for help

Notice what you have

Let neighbors know your need

Be obedient to God's direction

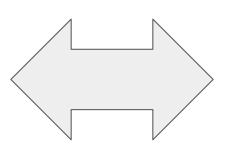
There will be enough (MORE than enough)





### Application:

View of Self



View of Others





## Listen, Notice, Appreciate

https://www.demilked.com/motherhood-comics-paula-kuka/





# Exactly how could "ASK GOD: There Will Be Enough

MORE THAN YOU COULD HAVE HOPED!"

APPLY to

our Self-View and

our View of Others?

#### My inner critic

Felt bad about QT rhythms being inconsistent

Fragmented thought-life

Hadn't preached in a month

How to preach this passage in connection to COVID-19?!

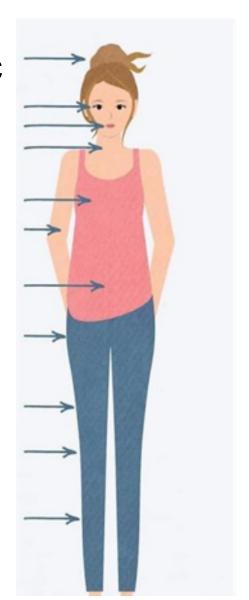
Awkward to preach sitting down

Distracted by self-view

Overheated, then self-conscious

Coming up on 1 year work anniversary

Inadequate



#### How I See Me

#### How God

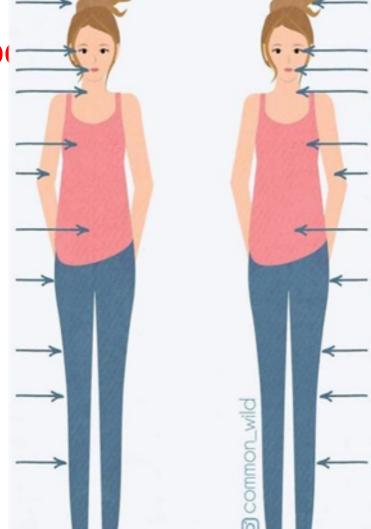
**Anxious** 

Fearful

Tired

Overwhelmed

Inadequate



**Child of God, Beloved** 



Forgiven, covered

Known, Seen

Chosen, Royal, Holy, Special

Joyful, peaceful, hopeful

Men need this too









Listen,
Notice,
Appreciate

#### It works with Children Too



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