

### God is With Us

- Ps.37 - A Psalm for our time
- 1Kings 17:17-24
- Vs.17 - After this... Everything led up to this
- Time for the final exam. Have you learned the lesson of moment by moment dependence?
- What was the last test? Sickness and death
- The Mountain top and the Valley
- God teaches us principles in the light, then allows us to come into a time of trial to put those principles into practice.

### Lessons in the Light, Trials in the Dark

- **Never doubt in the dark what God has taught you in the light**
- Mk.6:38-52
- Words to Note: vs.45-immediately; 48-He saw; 51- astonished 52 – they did not understand about the loves
- What was the lesson Jesus was trying to teach them?
- Our Father is also trying to teach us lessons in the same way
- He gives opportunity for us to learn in the light, then will give us challenging opportunities to apply the lesson - Moses
- James 1:4 Consider it all joy when you encounter various trials knowing the testing of your faith produces endurance

### Elijah's Lessons

- Elijah and the woman had been taught the faithfulness of God during the past couple of years
  - The valley of death was the opportunity to practice the truth had been teaching them
  - Two Responses to this situation – How would I respond?
1. Would I be angry and bitter? 18
    - Her anger was directed at an innocent person
    - The statements about past sin indicate a guilty conscience
    - Though daily exposed to the power of God the woman had not learned the lesson of dependence on the living God

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2. Would I respond in dependence on the living God? 19-21
- 3 Things to Note:
    - A. It was a disciplined response -19
    - B. It was a wise response
      - I. Questions were asked
      - II. Questions were asked in the privacy of his room
    - C. It was a humble response
  - How do we respond in a time of testing?