

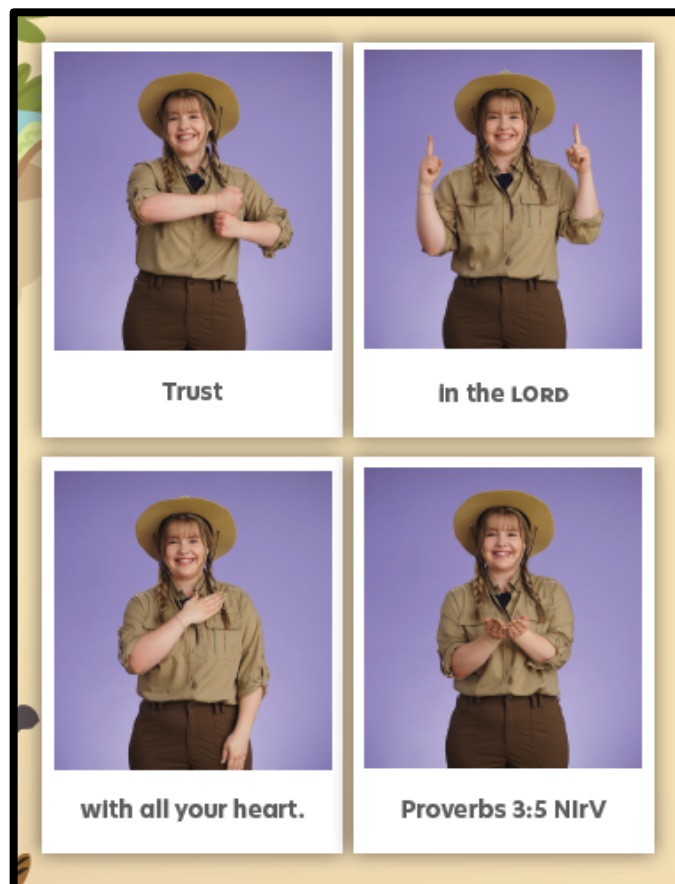


**Today's Bible Story:** **Elijah and the Widow • I can trust God no matter what.** 1 Kings 17:1-16

**Key Question:** Who's got it?

**Bottom Line:** God's got it.

**Memory Verse:** "Trust in the LORD with all your heart." • Proverbs 3:5 NLT



# Story Time

*Gather children on a rug or in a specific area of the classroom.*

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## WELCOME

### Show Series Graphic: Game Time

Hello, friends! My name is [your name], and I'm so glad to see you today. Today we're going on a great adventure! In today's story, we'll hear about a man named Elijah, some ravens, and a woman who trusted God. Let's get ready!

First, let's flap our arms like ravens and say, "Caw, caw!"

(Flap arms like birds.)

Now let's pretend to carry food to Elijah.

(Cup hands together and carefully carry them across the room.)

Next, let's stir flour and oil to make bread.

(Pretend to stir in a bowl.)

Great job! You helped act out parts of our Bible story.

Today we'll hear a true story about Elijah, ravens, and a woman who trusted God, and we'll learn that we can trust God no matter what because God's got it!

Now sit right down and shake the wiggles out (wiggle hands) so we can hear (cup hands behind ears) what the story's all about!

(Hold open the Bible.) The Bible tells us that we can trust God no matter what because God's got it! Let's visit Ollie and our friends at the clubhouse and hear our true story from the Bible!

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## WORSHIP

Now we are going to worship. Time to stand up and sing and dance for Jesus!

### Show 2-3 worship songs

That was so fun! I think we are ready to hear our Bible story. Shake the wiggles out (**wiggle hands**) so we can hear (**cup hands behind ears**) what the story's all about.

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## **BIBLE LESSON**

Let's hear a true story from the Bible. Time to visit Ollie and friends!

### **Show Bible Story Video**

Let's learn some of God's words from the Bible!

### **Show Video: Memory Verse Motions**

### **Show Verse: Proverbs 3:5**

**“Trust (**pretend to tug a rope**)**

**In the LORD (**point up**)**

**With all your heart. (**Tap heart twice.**)**

**Proverbs 3:5 (**open hands like a book**)**

Let's pray!

Dear God, thank You for loving us so much. Thank You that we can talk to You anytime—when we're happy, when we're sad, and even when we're scared. Help us remember that You always hear us. We love You. In Jesus' name, Amen.

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## **SEE & SHARE**

Okay, my friends, it's See and Share time! Let's sit on a rug with a leader.

(**Help leaders and kids get organized on a rug.**)



# TODDLERS

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See and Share

**SAY:** Today's true story from the Bible (*hold up the Bible*) is about a man named Elijah. Elijah was a prophet, which means he listened to God and told people what God said. One day, it stopped raining for a very long time, and there was no water for plants to grow. But God took care of Elijah!

**DO:** Show items to the group and retell the Bible story using the pictures.

- 1. Picture of Elijah and ravens/raven cutout:** (Let each child hold the raven.) God sent special birds to bring Elijah food to eat every day. Can you flap your arms like a bird?
- 2. Picture of Elijah and the woman/empty cup with 1 cotton ball:** When the stream dried up, God told Elijah to go to a city, and a woman there would help him. Elijah asked the woman for some water to drink and bread to eat, but she only had a tiny bit of flour and oil left to make bread. (Tip the cup over and show the cotton ball.) Oh no, look! There's only a little flour left!
- 3. Picture of sad woman:** The woman was worried and sad that she and her son would run out of food! Can you make a sad face? (Demonstrate.)
- 4. Picture of full jars/bread:** (Pass out bread.) But Elijah told her, "Don't be afraid." God would make sure they always had flour and oil. The woman trusted God and made the bread, and her flour and oil never ran out! Let's pretend to eat our bread!
- 5. Mirror:** God took care of them and God takes care of you and me because God loves us (Hold the mirror up to each child and say, "God loves [child's name].")



## TODDLER CRAFT: FINGERPRINT FILL IN

### What You Need:

- “Fingerprint Fill In” Activity Page, one per child
- Washable ink pads
- Baby wipes
- Markers

### What You Say:

Today, we are going to create a story picture! God told Elijah to go to a city, and a woman would take care of him. Elijah asked the woman for some water to drink and bread to eat, but she only had a tiny bit of flour and oil left to make bread. She was worried that she and her son would run out of food! But Elijah told her, “Don’t be afraid.” God would make sure they always had flour and oil. The woman trusted God and made the bread, and her flour and oil never ran out!

Press your finger on the ink pad, then press it inside the jar on your paper to fill it up. (*Allow time.*) Keep going—fill it up! (*Pause. Clean hands as needed.*) Great job! Every day, they had plenty of food to eat because **[Bottom Line] God’s got it!**

### What You Do:

- Write each child’s name on their paper.
- Encourage children to add their fingerprints to the jar to fill it with oil.
- Clean hands.

*Gather small groups of children around you at a table for toddler craft time. Depending on the size of your group, you may lead the craft two or three times. Not every child may want to participate in craft time. That’s okay. Feel free to send home the craft materials for them to complete with family.*



## TODDLER CRAFT: HANDPRINT RAVEN

- ☐ “Handprint Raven” activity pages, one per child
- ☐ Coloring supplies
- ☐ Black marker
- ☐ Baby wipes
- ☐ Wipes for cleanup

### What You Do:

- Give each child a “Handprint Raven” activity page.
- Write each child’s name on their paper.
- Trace each child’s hand onto the raven with the black marker.
- Clean hands.
- Allow children to color the raven.

### What You Say:

Look! It’s a raven! That’s the bird God used to send food to Elijah in our Bible story today. Your bird is missing something: its wing! Let’s use your handprint for a wing. I need to trace your hand. *(Trace children’s hands. Clean hands as needed.)*

Elijah trusted that God would take care of him. We can trust God, too, because **[Bottom Line] God’s got it!**

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## TODDLER CRAFT: RAVEN HEADBAND

### What You Need:

- ☐ Raven cutouts
- ☐ Glue sticks
- ☐ Coloring supplies
- ☐ Stapler or tape
- ☐ Sentence strips or paper strips

### What You Do:

- Write each child's name on their raven.
- Help children glue their raven cutout to the center of their headband.
- Encourage kids to color the band and raven.
- Measure each child's headband around their head and staple the ends together with the bends facing out.
- Cover the bends of the staples with a piece of clear tape if needed.
- Encourage children to wear their headbands.

### What You Say:

Let's make a raven headband to help us remember that **[Bottom Line] God's got it!** God took care of Elijah by sending birds called ravens to bring him food. God took care of Elijah every single day. We can trust God no matter what happens because **[Bottom Line] God's got it!** Now you can wear your raven on your head.