



*...Building Little Disciples*

# Elijah Helps a Widow's Son

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## BIBLE STORY

From 1 Kings 17:17-24

Elijah was living in an upstairs room at the house of the woman who had given him bread to eat. One day the woman's son got very sick. Eventually, the boy died.

Elijah carried the child upstairs to his room. "God, please let this boy live," Elijah prayed.

God answered Elijah's prayer. The boy began to breathe again! Elijah carried the boy to his mother. "Look," Elijah said, "your son is alive!"

"You really are from God!" said the happy mother. She knew God listens to our prayers.



Color the picture and say the prayer below!

Dear God,  
Thank You for my family.  
Thank You for my friends.  
Thank You that Your love  
and care for me will never  
end.

Help me to obey You  
And to always do what's  
right.

Please watch over my  
family

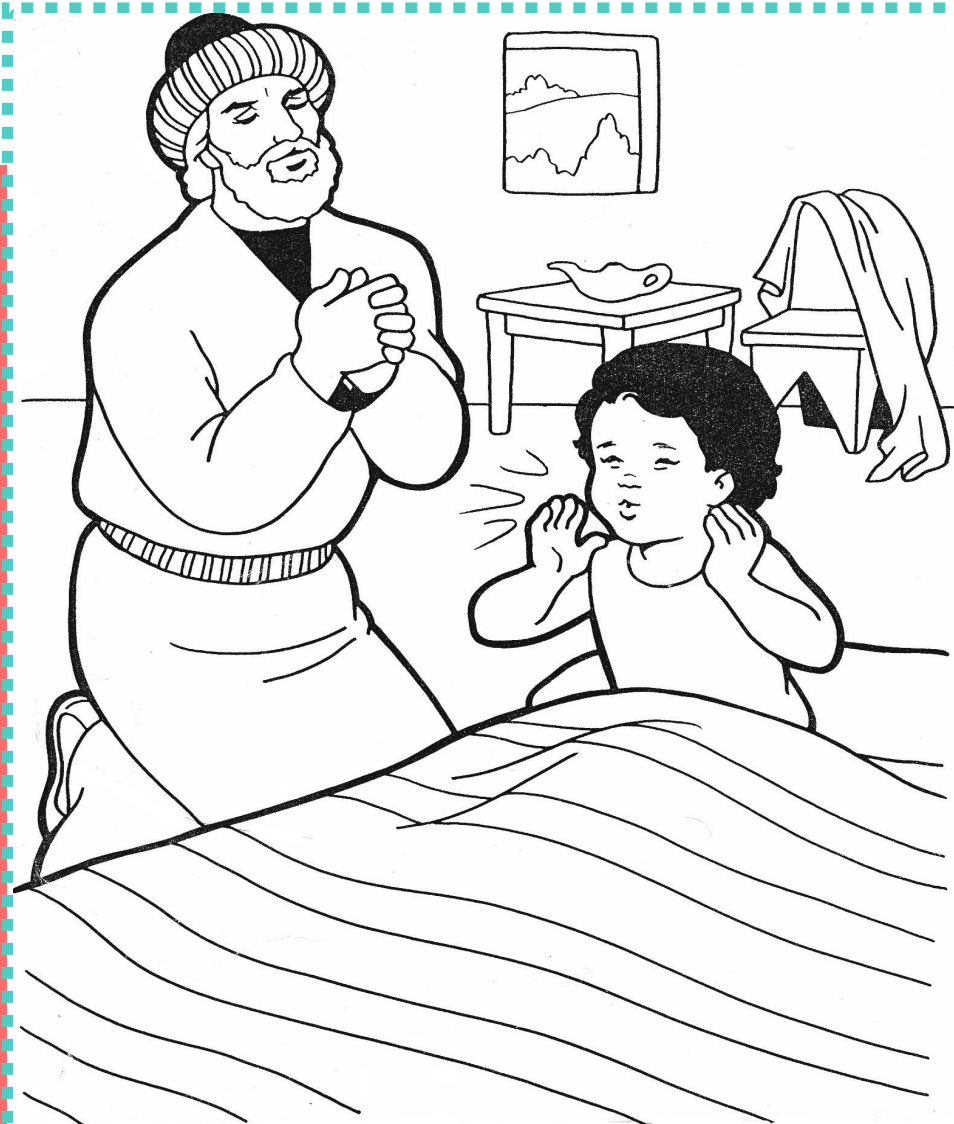
Every day and night.  
In Jesus' name, Amen.



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As you color the picture, talk about how you pray to God and how He answers your prayers!

What did Elijah pray to God?  
What happened when Elijah prayed to God?



## FAMILY TALK

As children learn about God's great power—His power to heal the sick or raise the dead—they may question why God doesn't seem to be answering their own family prayers for people they know.

Guide your child to understand God's answer to prayer. God sometimes answers *no* when He knows that is the best answer for us. He answers *yes* when our prayers request what is best for us. Sometimes God answers *wait* in order that His answer will be at the best time. Teach your child that God wants the very best for us. Believing and trusting God for the very best in our lives requires practice and patience. God may answer *yes*, *no*, or *wait*, but He always answers!

## FAMILY FUN

Family Prayer Journal... Start a family prayer journal. Find a notebook to decorate. Decide to journal once a day, once a week, or at a time that is best for your family. Date each entry. Take turns writing or drawing prayer entries in the journal. Pray together and mark how God listens to and answers your family's prayers!