

Celebrate Mom

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III. God blesses those who bless the saints – 2 Kings 4:11-16

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- B. Elisha tells her she will be with child – why does she react against this?
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 - Sons carry the family name.
 - Children will take care of their parents.
 - Large clan was like a militia – Abram.
 - 2. Shunammite's reaction.
 - 3. Why? Shame, undeserving, fear.

IV. She becomes the compassionate care giver to her son – 2 Kings 4:17-21

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 - 2 King 4:18-19
- B. Her worst fear comes true – the child dies.
 - 2 Kings 4:20-21
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 - 2 Kings 4:22-23
- B. Desperation – she has her servant push the “petal to the metal” with her donkey.
 - 2 Kings 4:24-25
- C. She grabs him by the feet (vv27) – much like the woman with the issue of blood – Luke 8
- D. She tells Elisha “I told you so”.
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- D. Child is healed
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