

1. **Watch chapter 8** from The Complete Learning System *Elijah* DVD.

2. **Read:** Mosiah 2:17

“And behold, I tell you these things that ye may learn wisdom; that ye may learn that when ye are in the service of your fellow beings ye are only in the service of your God.”

3. When asked “Master, which is the great commandment in the law?” the Savior said, “Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.” (Matt. 22:36-39)

How does loving our neighbor show Heavenly Father that we love him? (Discuss ideas.)

4. **Sing together:** Children’s Songbook #78, “I’m Trying to Be like Jesus.”

5. “In His earthly ministry, the Master outlined how we should live, how we should teach, how we should serve, and what we should do so that we could become our best selves. ... Our Heavenly Father gave His Son; The Son of God gave His life. We are asked by Them to give our lives, as it were, in Their divine service. ... There are lessons to be taught; there are kind deeds to be done; there are souls to be saved.”
Thomas S. Monson, Liahona, Apr 2006 © Intellectual Reserve, Inc. All rights reserved.

6. “As we love our God, as we love our neighbor, we can be the recipients of our Heavenly Father’s love. Of all the blessings I have had in my life, one of the sweetest is that feeling the Lord provides when I know that He has answered the prayer of another person through me. As we love the Lord, as we love our neighbor, we discover that our Heavenly Father will answer the prayers of others through our ministry.”
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Did the Lord answer the Widow of Zarephath’s prayers through Elijah? (Discuss ideas.)

7. **How was the Widow of Zarephath blessed for her service to Elijah?** (Discuss ideas.)

“To find real happiness, we must seek for it in a focus outside ourselves. No one has learned the meaning of living until he has surrendered his ego to the service of his fellowmen. Service to others...brings true joy.” *Thomas S. Monson, April 1990 General Conference © Intellectual Reserve, Inc. All rights reserved.*

8. **Do you think that the Widow of Zaraphath would have been happy to serve Elijah, even if she had not been blessed with food?** (Discuss ideas. Emphasize that true happiness comes from the feelings you get inside when you serve others.)

9. **Do we have to be financially well off to serve others?** (Discuss ideas.)

“Often small acts of service are all that is required to lift and bless another: a question concerning a person’s family, quick words of encouragement, a sincere compliment, a small note of thanks, a brief telephone call. If we are observant and aware, and if we act on the promptings which come to us, we can accomplish much good.” *Thomas S. Monson, Oct 2007 General Conference © Intellectual Reserve, Inc. All rights reserved.*

10. **What acts of service can our family give to find happiness?** (Discuss specific ways your family can serve each other, neighbors, the church, etc.)

Quote: “I extol you who, with loving care and compassionate concern, feed the hungry, clothe the naked, and house the homeless. He who notes the sparrow’s fall will not be unmindful of such service. The desire to lift, the willingness to help, and the graciousness to give come from a heart filled with love. Serve willingly.” *Thomas S. Monson, Oct 2007 General Conference © Intellectual Reserve, Inc. All rights reserved.*