

“At Death’s Door

1 Kings 17:1-24

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“Jesus answered, ‘It is written [Deut. 8:3]: ‘Man does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.’” – Matthew 4:4

- The bread from heaven seen in God’s **provision** for
 - **Israel** during the 40-year desert wanderings
 - **Elijah** and the **widow** from Zarephath in *Sidon* (the heart of Baal worship, and outside the land of Israel)
 - **Christ**, during the 40-days of temptation
 - **Us**, through the trials of life and at the Lord’s Table

Food for thought

Think of “manna” (Exodus 16:17-18) as the verse from scripture, the assurance in prayer, the *positive* report, the encouraging word from a friend. Do we look to heaven, and to Christ the *bread* of life (John 6:35), or are we trying to provide the manna ourselves, running ourselves ragged in the process, overlooking what God *continually* provides?