**Take the Church with you #4**

**Will We Eat Soon?**

I’m Getting Hungry! Are you hungry? Well, where would you like to eat? Vacations often mean eating out, and our options are plentiful! If you’ve driven to a vacation spot, there’s a good chance that you’ve made several stops at fast-food restaurants. If you’re camping, you’ll almost certainly be eating out—eating outside! God is so good in making sure we have food to eat in our various circumstances. Sometimes it might not be a lot, but he still provides it for us. Read: Numbers 11. God put many stories in the Bible about hungry people. When the Lord led his people out of Egypt toward the Promised Land, he fed them with manna from heaven. But the people complained and wanted meat too, so God provided them with quail to eat.

**Read 1 Kings 17** .

*2 Then the word of the Lord came to Elijah: 3 “Leave here, turn eastward and hide in the Kerith Ravine, east of the Jordan. 4 You will drink from the brook, and I have directed the ravens to supply you with food there.” 5 So he did what the Lord had told him. He went to the Kerith Ravine, east of the Jordan, and stayed there. 6 The ravens brought him bread and meat in the morning and bread and meat in the evening, and he drank from the brook.*

In Elijah’s time, there was a great famine in the land, but God had ravens bring him bread and meat every morning and night. Sometime later, Elijah stayed in a house that was just about to run out of food, but God performed a miracle and made sure that the jar of flour and a jug of oil would never run out.

**Discuss:** Can you think of other times God provided food for his people? Do you know the story of the time Jesus fed 5,000 men, plus the women and children with them, using just five small loaves of barley bread and two fish? Jesus fed everyone, yet they had so much food left over. What a miracle! Hungry? Jesus hears when your stomach growls and wants to help. He knows what we need and has plenty of answers for us. Let’s give thanks to the Lord!

**Prayer** : Dear Jesus, please forgive us for the times we take for granted that we have plenty of food to eat. Thank you for all you provide. We know we’d have nothing without you. Help us to see your miracles and always give thanks to you! Amen. A

**Activity:** Have the entire family pretend to be restaurant critics for a newspaper and rate the new food you try. Have each family member order something different and share each dish. Rate the food, atmosphere, and service on a scale of one to five stars.

**Suggested praise songs for family worship**

“Indescribable”

“Shout the Lord”

“If I were a butterfly”

“How great is our God”

“I lift my eyes “

“Seek ye first the kingdom of God”

“Lord, I need you”

“Beautiful name”

“Lord. I lift your name on high”

“Open the eyes of my heart, Lord”