...ing Together

What was your favorite subject in school? Why?

One of my most difficult life test to date has been…

...wing in Our Understanding

Read 1 Kings 17:7-16 and respond to the following questions:

-- What requests does Elijah make of the Widow?

-- What are all the commands given to Elijah and the Widow?

-- What was the Widow dealing with in life when these mandates were put upon her? What do you think would have been going through her heart and mind at the time?

-- How do Elijah and the Widow respond to God's commands?

Prior to 1 Kings 17:8, what has Elijah been doing for the last several months of his life? Now God is asking Elijah to walk 100 miles through the desert to get some food from a Widow. What would be going through your mind if God made a similar request of you? What do you think powered Elijah's response?

Unwrapping God's Principles

- What is the difference between a test from God and a temptation from Satan? See James 1:2-4 and 2 Peter 5:8.

- How does faith and trust in God factor into the obedient responses of Elijah and the Widow? How does this impact your own sense of faith and trust in God?

- What does 1 Kings 17:12-16 reveal about the Widows emotions? How does Elijah respond to her very real challenge? How do our emotions influence our obedience to God's directives?

- The text does not tell us, but how do you think these events impact the faith of the Widow's son in the story? What could you do today to begin a legacy of faith and obedience to the next generation in your family?

Deepening Our Hearts for God

- Read 1 Corinthians 10:13. What does God promises us whenever we are facing temptation?

- Read Isaiah 49:16. What does this verse teach us about a Christians connection to God? How does this truth help us trust God and obey Him as we walk through the challenges of life?

Looking Ahead

Read 1 Kings 17:17-24. Circle, underline, or highlight anything that stands out to you. What statement in these verses impacted you the most?