**Qualities Of A Hero**

**Reading - 1 Kings 17:8-16**

***[1 Kings 17:17-23] [1 Kings 18:20-40]***

***[Luke 17:1-2] And he said to his disciples, “Temptations to sin are sure to come, but woe to the one through whom they come!  2It would be better for him if a millstone were hung around his neck and he were cast into the sea than that he should cause one of these little ones to sin.***

***[Ephesians 6:1-4] Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right.  2£“Honor your father and mother” (this is the first commandment with a promise),  3“that it may go well with you and that you may live long in the land.”  4Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.***

***[John 18:3-10] So Judas, having procured a band of soldiers and some officers from the chief priests and the Pharisees, went there with lanterns and torches and weapons.  4Then Jesus, knowing all that would happen to him, came forward and said to them, “Whom do you seek?”  5They answered him, “Jesus of Nazareth.” Jesus said to them, “I am he.”Judas, who betrayed him, was standing with them.  6When Jesus said to them, “I am he,” they drew back and fell to the ground.  7So he asked them again, “Whom do you seek?” And they said, “Jesus of Nazareth.”  8Jesus answered, “I told you that I am he. So, if you seek me, let these men go.”  9This was to fulfill the word that he had spoken: “Of those whom you gave me I have lost not one.”  10Then Simon Peter, having a sword, drew it and struck the high priest’s servant and cut off his right ear. (The servant’s name was Malchus.)***

***[Acts 4:32-37] 32Now the full number of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one said that any of the things that belonged to him was his own, but they had everything in common.  33And with great power the apostles were giving their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all.  34There was not a needy person among them, for as many as were owners of lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold  35and laid it at the apostles’ feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.  36Thus Joseph, who was also called by the apostles Barnabas (which means son of encouragement), a Levite, a native of Cyprus,  37sold a field that belonged to him and brought the money and laid it at the apostles’ feet.***

***[Colossians 4:10-11] Aristarchus, my fellow prisoner, sends you his greetings; and also Barnabas’ cousin Mark (about whom you received instructions; if he comes to you, welcome him);  11and also Jesus who is called Justus; these are the only fellow workers for the kingdom of God who are from the circumcision, and they have proved to be an encouragement to me.***

***[1 Corinthians 9:3-7] This is my defense to those who would examine me.  4Do we not have the right to our food and drink?  5Do we not have the right to be accompanied by a wife, as the other apostles and the brothers of the Lord and Cephas?  6Or is it only Barnabas and I who have no right to refrain from working for a living?  7Who serves as a soldier at his own expense? Who plants a vineyard without eating any of its fruit? Who tends a flock without getting some of the milk?***

***[Acts 9:36-39] Now there was at Joppa a disciple named Tabitha, which means Dorcas. She was full of good works and acts of charity.  37In those days she fell sick and died; and when they had washed her, they laid her in an upper room.  38Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, hearing that Peter was there, sent two men to him entreating him, “Please come to us without delay.”  39So Peter rose and went with them. And when he had come, they took him to the upper room. All the widows stood beside him weeping, and showing tunics and other garments which Dorcas made while she was with them.***

***[James 5:16-20] Therefore, confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another so that you may be healed. The effective prayer of a righteous man can accomplish much.  17Elijah was a man with a nature like ours, and he prayed earnestly that it would not rain, and it did not rain on the earth for three years and six months.  18Then he prayed again, and the sky poured rain and the earth produced its fruit. 19My brethren, if any among you strays from the truth and one turns him back,  20let him know that he who turns a sinner from the error of his way will save his soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.***

***[Galatians 6:1-3] Brethren, if a man is overtaken in any trespass, you who are spiritual restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness, considering yourself lest you also be tempted.  2Bear one another’s burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.  3For if anyone thinks himself to be something, when he is nothing, he deceives himself.***