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**Topic: A Living Faith**

Scripture text: 2 Kings 4:1-7

1. The woman in this passage, whose name is not made known, was the wife of a prophet under Elisha. As a widow, she was helpless and in a desperate situation. But she exhibited genuine faith in her response to her circumstances. She did not blame God for the situation but looked to God for help. She did not demand God to deliver her but expected God to do so because she trusted in God's character. Her confidence was in God.

2. A living faith is one that relies on God and obeys God. Elisha's instructions seemed odd and impossible that the oil would multiply. Human reasoning would conclude that this was ridiculous. But faith is manifested in obedience to God's Word. She obeyed exactly and completely. She did not just pay lip service. Obedience is the fruit of faith.

3. Such an obedient faith will please God and it brings peace, joy and assurance to our hearts. It will also bring glory to God. There is no lack in God when we exercise our faith. God will show forth His favour. Let us not lose out on God's blessings but please God by relying on Him and obeying Him in faith.