

**PATRONESS OF THE PROPHET**  
**2 Kings 4:8-37**

- I. **A GOOD WOMAN** (8-10, 13-14)
  - A. A Shunammite
  - B. Wealthy
  - C. Generous
  - D. Spiritual
  - E. Childless
  - F. Content
  
- II. **A GOOD GOD**
  - A. Cares for Women
  - B. Rewards Kindness (Mat 10:41; Mk 9:41)
  - C. Pushes the Envelope (16, 18)—safety vs. abundant life
    - 1. Feeling Our Desire—feels dangerous; contentment or fear?
    - 2. Trusting God with our children—takes our faith to a whole new level
    - 3. Safety or Abundant Life?—staying alive or really living?
  
- III. **THE MIRACLES**—life, from conception to resurrection
  - A. Fertility (14-17)
    - 1. God created and commanded procreation. (Gen 1:27-28; Mat 19:4, 14)

2. **Every child is a miracle, a gift from God the Creator.** (Ps 127:3; 139:13-14)—not just to *you* but to the *human race*
3. **Miracles of fertility are reminders of God's promise to Eve.** (Gen 3:15-16; Lk 1:34)—ultimately fulfilled in the Virgin birth of the Messiah

**B. Resurrection (32-36)**

1. **God can raise the dead.** (Acts 26:8; Heb 11:19)
2. **Miracles of resurrection point to THE Resurrection to come.** (Job 19:25; Isa 26:19)

**IV. THE MESSIAH**

**A. Jesus is THE promised Son.** (Isa 7:14; 9:6)—given to all of us

**B. Jesus is the Lord and Giver of Life.**

1. **Jesus created life.** (Jn 1:3-4)
2. **Jesus conquered death.** (Jn 11:25; 1 Cor 15:20-22, 54-57; Rev 1:17-18)
3. **Jesus gives eternal life.** (Jn 5:21, 24; Jn 6:40; Rom 6:23; 1 Jn 5:11; 1 Thes 4:13)
4. **Jesus gives abundant life.** (Jn 10:10)

**C. All is well.** (23, 26; Rom 8:35-39; 1 Cor 15:52; 1 Thes 4:13-18; Heb 2:14-15; Rev 21:4-5)

1. **God is good and all that He does is good.** (Psalm 119:68; Mk 7:37; Rom 8:28, 32)
2. **Nothing can separate us from the love of Christ.** (Rom 8:35-39)
3. **Jesus has conquered death and hell.** (1 Cor 15:52; 1 Thes 4:13-18; Heb 2:14-15)
4. **He is making all things new.** (Rev 21:4-5)