



## *“What Does it Mean to be ‘Reformed’?”*

*2 Ki. 4:8-37*

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### INTRODUCTION

- how would you define “baptistic” and “Reformed”?
- theocentrism *v.* existentialism *v.* anthropocentrism

### *1. The Lord gives. (4:8-17)*

- a survey of the geography
- a reciprocal gift
- the ever-present reality of barrenness

Lk. 7:16

Gen. 18, 25, 29; Jdg. 13; 1 Sam. 1; Lk. 1

1 Tim. 6:17

### *2. The Lord takes away. (4:18-37)*

- the crisis and response
- Elisha in action-mode
- God’s unusual ways

2 Ki. 13:20-21; Acts 19:12

### CONCLUSION

- a comparison of two grief-stricken people
- the call of God in the gospel
- making the abstract practical...

Job 1:20-22

Is. 46:8-11; 48:11