

# Elijah: Tug of War

**Text:** 1 Kings 17:1-6

**Purpose:** *To recognize seasons of life where God is preparing and testing us for greater purpose and faith.*

**Opening Question:** *What's the most difficult test you have ever had to take?*

**Read and Discuss: 1 Kings 17:1**

1. *In what context of your life do you find yourself as the lone believer?*
2. *What are some of the gods that people wrestle with today? How might we cooperate with God to reveal the truth about God's power and character?*
3. *What are some of the fears that you have about being different and standing out as a Christian in different areas of your life?*

**Read and Discuss: 1 Kings 17:2-3**

4. *What's the purpose for God sending Elijah to Cerith, the place of cutting?*
5. *What is the reason God would take us to seasons of shaping? How have you grown through difficult seasons in life? What was the outcome of challenging times?*
6. *Is it right or fair for God to test you? How do you recognize or know when God is testing you?*

**Read and Discuss: 1 Kings 17:4-6**

7. *When was a time that you had to rely on God to provide for you? What happened?*
8. *How does relying on God grow our faith?*