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1 ¶ Now there cried a certain woman of the wives of the sons of the prophets unto Elisha, saying, Thy servant my husband is dead; and thou knowest that thy servant did fear the LORD: and the creditor is come to take unto him my two sons to be bondmen.

2 And Elisha said unto her, What shall I do for thee? tell me, what hast thou in the house? And she said, Thine handmaid hath not any thing in the house, save a pot of oil.

3 Then he said, Go, borrow thee vessels abroad of all thy neighbours,*even* empty vessels; borrow not a few.

4 And when thou art come in, thou shalt shut the door upon thee and upon thy sons, and shalt pour out into all those vessels, and thou shalt set aside that which is full.

5 So she went from him, and shut the door upon her and upon her sons, who brought *the vessels* to her; and she poured out.

6 And it came to pass, when the vessels were full, that she said unto her son, Bring me yet a vessel. And he said unto her, *There is* not a vessel more. And the oil stayed.

7 Then she came and told the man of God. And he said, Go, sell the oil, and pay thy debt, and live thou and thy children of the rest.

We ended last week on the thought that sometimes we are told to do something that we cannot or at times should not do. The question was asked: “What is the proper response when you cannot do what you have been told to do by someone who has the authority over some aspect of your life or work?”

We looked at two scenarios: One in which the person told to act just does not want to or it goes against some personal objections which are minor when looked at in the light of God’s word. We talked about not trying to reason away why you will not submit or obey.

The weight of the objection has to be weighted against the Word of God.

In the other scenario, we discussed what to do when God’s evident word, way or will stands firmly and strongly against the request and makes His Word concerning submission and obedience the lesser word.

Submission is not always an act, but always an attitude that most often demands we act.

\* followership 101

> Obedience (the lowest level of following)

> Submission (does not begin until you are do not want to obey)

> Loyalty (what you say and how you act once made to submit)

Remember: No one can be your Holy Ghost … and you cannot be theirs either!

Teach me, Love me, Pray for me but …

Please do not ask me to violate the Holy Spirit

Ultimately, you will have to answer to God.

It is not enough to just disagree or have a different set of desires or wants that you champion.