

“A REMARKABLE WOMAN”

II Kings 4

“Now it happened one day that Elisha went to Shunem, where there was a notable woman, and she persuaded him to eat some food. So it was, as often as he passed by, he would turn in there to eat some food.” (v.8)

The nameless woman in II Kings chapter 4 was like so many other obscure women of faith who succeeded her. Different translations have rendered the Hebrew variously, and each one adds to this woman’s notoriety:

The KJV translates the Hebrew as “A great woman”; the NKJV “a notable woman”; the ASV “A prominent woman”; the NIV “a well-to-do woman” and the RSV “a wealthy woman”.

Therefore, I have called her, “A Remarkable Woman”. Notice the divisions as this story unfolds:

I. THE TASK THAT SHE ENJOYED. II Kings 4:8-10

- A. It Was A Pleasant Task.
- B. It Was A Practical Task.

II. THE TRAIT THAT SHE EXHIBITED. 4:11-17

- A.. What She Rejected.
- B. What She Received.

III. THE TEST THAT SHE ENCOUNTERED. 4:18-20

- A. A Sick Son On Her Lap.
- B. A Dead Son On The Bed.

IV. THE TRUST THAT SHE EVIDENCED. 4:21-37

- A. Her Trustful Actions. V. 21
- B. Her Trustful Attitude. V. 22-

You too can be a remarkable mother and your children will rise up and call you blessed: *“Her children arise and call her blessed, her husband also, and he praises her.”* (Prov. 31:28)

We will have more women and men of faith when we have more mothers of faith.

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