

ELISHA WORKS MIRACLES

2 Kings 2:19- 22, 2 Kings 4:38- 44

Lesson No. 69 Primary Course

Memory Verse: “Behold, I make all things new” (Revelation 21:5).

BIBLE TEXTS

II Kings 2:19- 22

19 And the men of the city said unto Elisha, Behold, I pray thee, the situation of this city is pleasant, as my lord seeth: but the water is naught, and the ground barren.

20 And he said, Bring me a new cruse, and put salt therein. And they brought it to him.

II Kings 4:38- 44

38 And Elisha came again to Gilgal: and there was a dearth in the land; and the sons of the prophets were sitting before him: and he said unto his servant, Set on the great pot, and seethe pottage for the sons of the prophets.

21 And he went forth unto the spring of the waters, and cast the salt in there, and said, Thus saith the LORD, I have healed these waters; there shall not be from thence any more death or barren land.

22 So the waters were healed unto this day, according to the saying of Elisha which he spake.

39 And one went out into the field to gather herbs, and found a wild vine, and gathered thereof wild gourds his lap full, and came and shred them into the pot of pottage: for they knew them not.

40 So they poured out for the men to eat. And it came to pass, as they were eating of the pottage, that they cried out, and said, O thou man of God, there is death in the pot. And they could not eat thereof.

41 But he said, Then bring meal. And he cast it into the pot; and he said, Pour out for the people, that they may eat. And there was no harm in the pot.

42 And there came a man from Baalshalisha, and brought the man of God bread of the

firstfruits, twenty loaves of barley, and full ears of corn in the husk thereof. And he said, Give unto the people, that they may eat.

43 And his servitor said, What, should I set this before an hundred men? He said again, Give the people, that they may eat: for thus saith the LORD, They shall eat, and shall leave thereof.

44 So he set it before them, and they did eat, and left thereof, according to the word of the LORD.

Notes

God's Spirit upon Elisha

Elisha had followed Eijah until he saw him taken up into Heaven in the chariot of fire. When the mantle fell from Eijah, Elisha picked it up. This meant that Elisha's prayer had been heard, and God had given him power to do many great things for Him.

We learned that the first miracle Elisha did was to smite the waters of the river Jordan and they parted so he could walk over. It was God who gave him the power to do that.

The Water Healed

The next miracle that Elisha did was to make bad water good. There was a certain city, which had very bad water. So Elisha told the

men to bring him a new cruse and put salt into it. Then Elisha went to the spring, from where the water came, and put the salt into it. God “healed” the waters and they were good for the people to drink.

Visitors who have been there say that near the foot of the mountain is a fountain, which is believed to be that very same fountain. The water is some of the best water in the world. It is called “The Fountain of Elisha.” What God gives is always the best.

Poison Taken out of Food

At another time Elisha told his servant to put a large kettle on the fire and cook pottage for some men. At this time food was scarce, and people probably had to search in the fields for vegetables or green things to eat. One man went out and gathered some wild gourds and put them into the pot; but he did not know that the gourds were poison. The people tried to eat the pottage, but they said to Elisha, “O thou man of God, there is death in the pot.” Elisha asked them to bring some meal. He threw it into the pot of gourds and all the poison was gone. God had given Elisha great power because Elisha had asked Him for it.

Plenty to Eat

At one time a man came to the prophet bringing him 20 barley loaves and some ears of corn. There were with Elisha that day a hundred men of the sons of the prophets. Elisha’s servant asked him what he should give the people to eat. Elisha said, “Give the people, that they may eat: for thus saith the LORD, They shall eat, and shall leave thereof.” The servant obeyed and gave them the food; and every man ate, and some was left over, according to the word of the Lord.

Everything belongs to God and he can do anything He wants to do. With the five loaves and the two small fishes the little boy had,

Jesus fed 5,000 people and there were 12 baskets of food left over. We need never be afraid to trust our Heavenly Father to give us all that we need if we do what He wants us to do and love Him with our whole heart. We should be very thankful that we have such a kind Father in Heaven.

QUESTIONS:

1. Who made the Heaven and the earth and all the things that are in them? Genesis:1:1]).
2. How did God make all these things?
3. What did God make in the first day? Genesis:1:3]).
4. Who were with God the Father when He made all these things?
5. In whose likeness did God make man? Genesis:1:26]).

LESSON RESOURCES

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GOD MADE THE WORLD

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Genesis 1:1-31

All Things Bright And Beautiful

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All Things Bright And Beautiful

Chorus: All things bright and beautiful
All creatures great and small
All things wise and wonderful
The Lord God made them all

Each little flower that opens
Each little bird that sings
He made their glowing colours
He made their tiny wings

Chorus: All things bright and beautiful

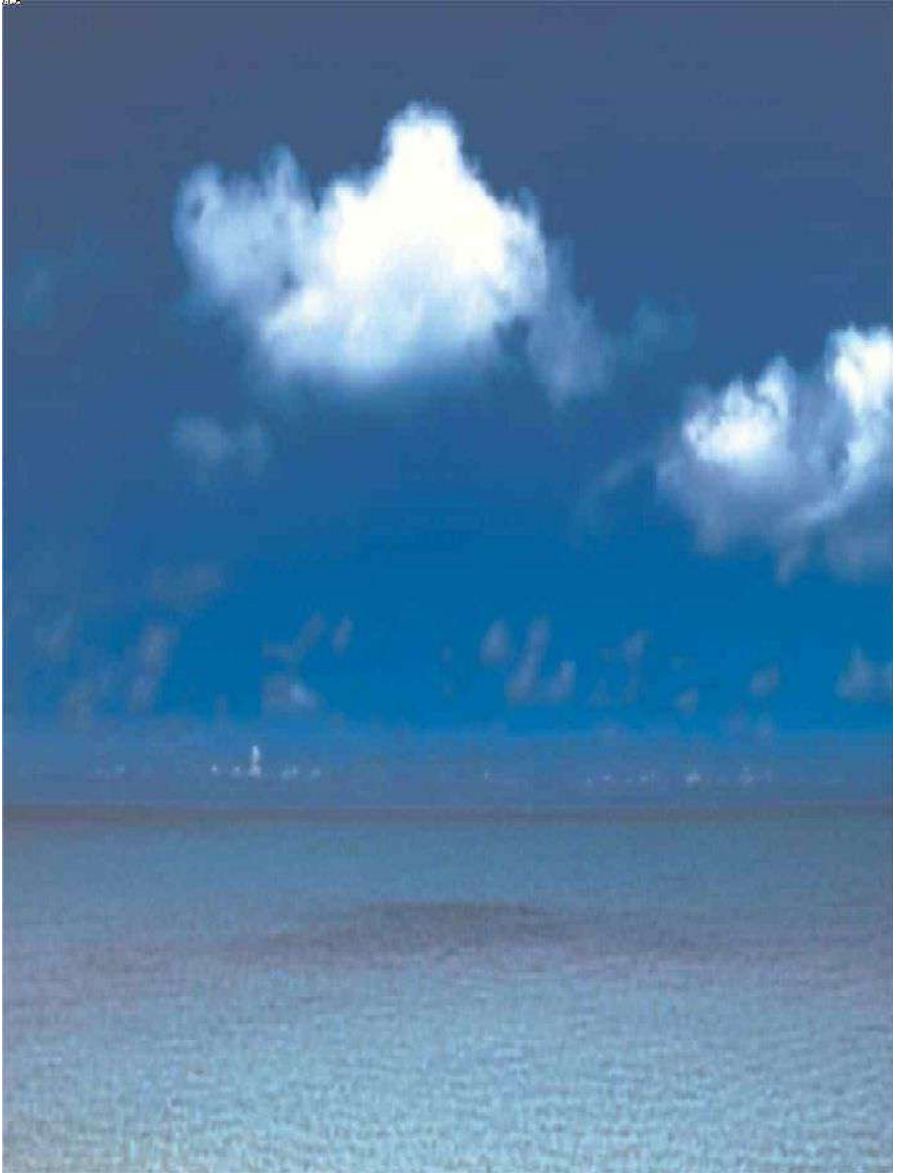
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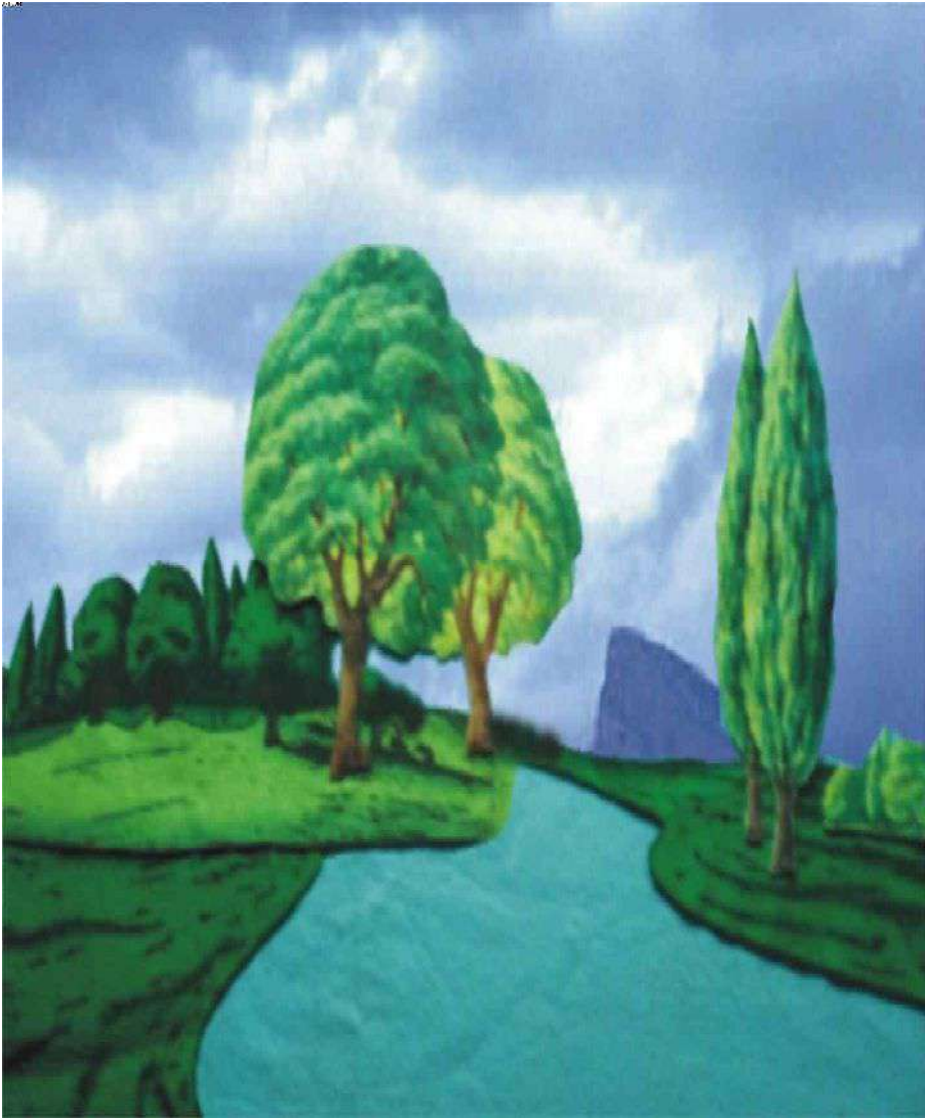
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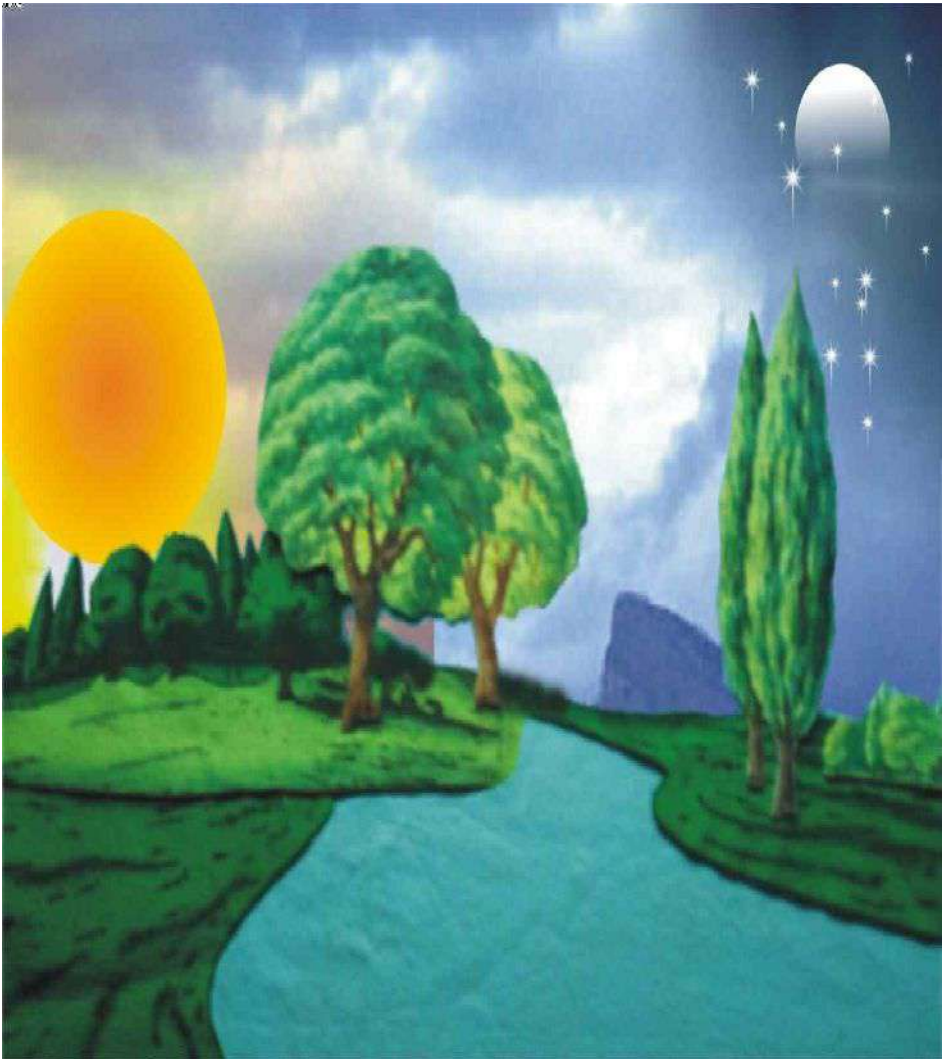
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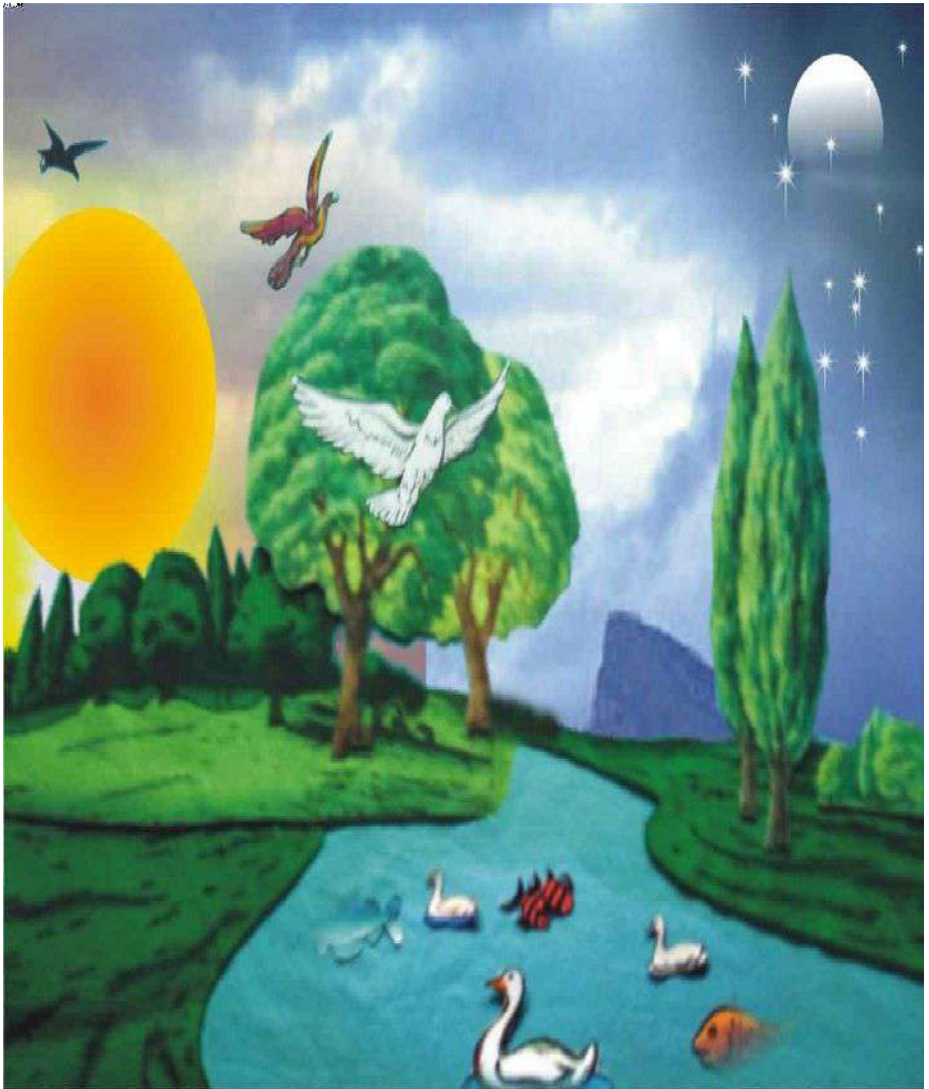
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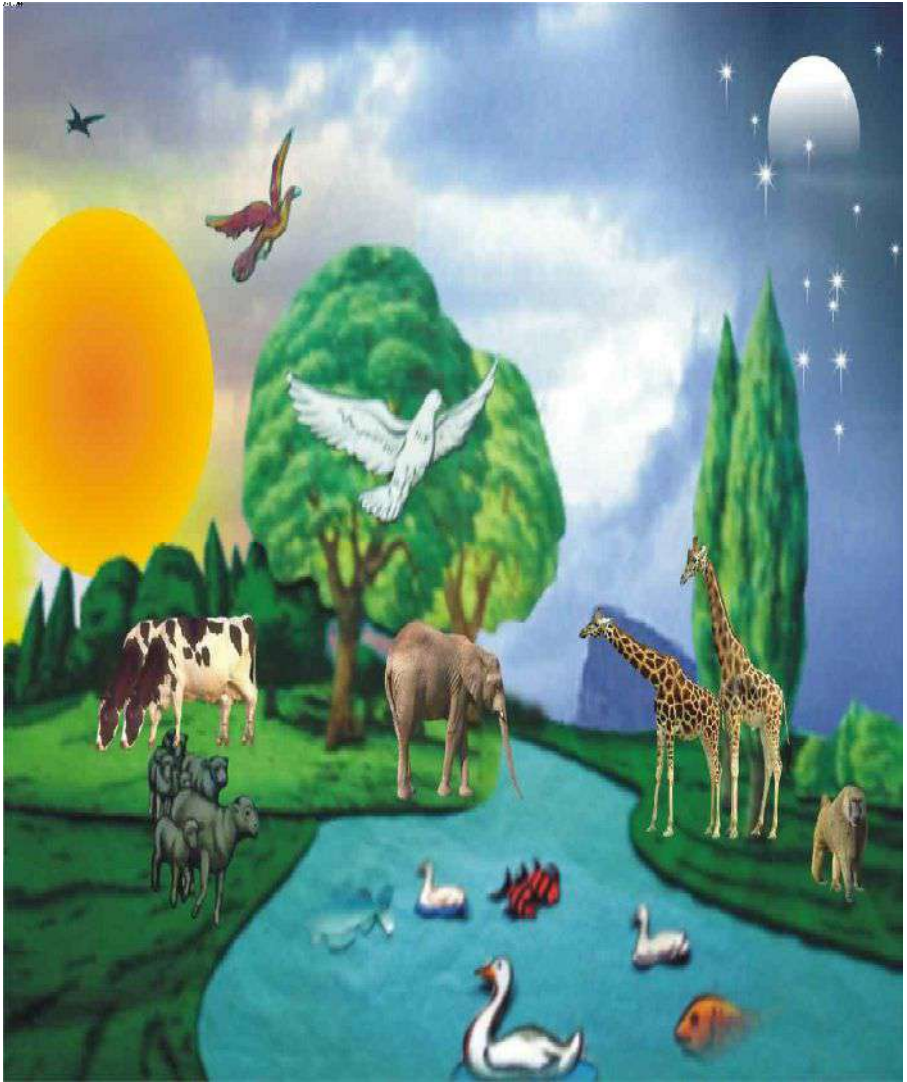
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