

Small Group Questions: Make Room—Mother's Day

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Read

2 Kings 4:8-37

Reflect

The Shunnamite woman made room for Elisha, the Man of God, before she knew what areas of her life needed resurrecting, before she knew of the miracles that would be bestowed upon her. Through her willingness to invite this man of God into her home, she made room for God to display his resurrecting power in her life. Having faith does not mean that we do not see the reality of the situation facing us. Having faith means that despite the situation in front of us, we choose to trust God instead.

Andi Andrew highlights areas where we can make room for God and be expectant for him to move.

1. Make Room For God

- a. What is taking up space in your "house"?
- b. When we don't make room for God, we welcome in idols and the things of this world that superficially fill us. What idols do we need to clear out to make space for God?
- c. How do we know when Jesus is central in our lives or just a hobby?

2. Make Room for Hope and Miracles

- a. When we fear disappointment, we let go of hope. What is the fear(s) in your life that is holding hope hostage?
- b. Oftentimes we reject or block the miracles from happening because we have tasted disappointment before. What are some ways you block yourself from receiving God's blessings?
 - i. When have you experienced disappointment in the past?
 - ii. How can you trust God again in this area of your life?

3. Make Room for Faith and Honesty

- a. When the Shunnamite woman's son died, she took him directly to the man of God's bed and clung to his ankles. What is your immediate reaction when something goes wrong?
 - i. How can we create new habits that reflect our trust and hope in the resurrecting power of the Holy Spirit?
- b. Have you allowed yourself the space to grieve honestly at the feet of Jesus? And how do you know you have grieved?
- c. Are you trying to dig up something that God has buried? If so, what is it and why?
- d. What can we do to clean out what's dead in our lives, in order to make space for something new and alive?
- e. Give an example of an area of your life that was once alive and now dead. Give an example of an area of your life that was once dead but now alive.

Respond: Where is God leading you? How can your small group support you?