



Melachim I Perek 17

- Eliyahu Hanavi decreed, in the presence of King Achav, that there would be a drought, and he ordered the rain to stop. (Radak, Rashi and Metzudos explain: Eliyahu was in conversation with Achav. Eliyahu related to Achav that the curse of Yehoshua had come true after Che'ail rebuilt the "cursed city" of Yericho, and his children had all died. Achav pointed out that it seems that Yehoshua was greater than Moshe because while Yehoshua's curse came true, Moshe's didn't, as it says in the Torah: Hashem will cause there to be no rain for the sin of idol worship! Immediately Eliyahu decreed that the rain should stop.)
- Hashem told Eliyahu to go to the brook named K'ris, where Eliyahu would be sustained miraculously by ravens that would bring him food while the brook would provide water.
- One year later the brook dried up due to lack of rain.
- Hashem then told Eliyahu to go to another location where he would encounter a widow who would sustain him.
- Eliyahu met the widow and asked her for a cookie and water.
- She told him that she could only give him water, but no food, as she only had enough flour and oil for one cookie, which she was saving to eat with her son before they both died of hunger.
- Eliyahu told the woman to make him a cookie first and Hashem would make a miracle happen that her flour and oil would not run out for as long as there was no rain.
- This occurred for about one year.
- The woman's child died, and she called Eliyahu for help.
- Eliyahu carried the boy upstairs, prayed to Hashem to restore the boy's soul, and prostrated himself on the boy three times, until the boy came back to life. Eliyahu returned the boy to his mother. (Pirkei Rebbi Eliezer: this boy was Yonah, the future Navi!)