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1. Sufficiency means enough to meet the situation; enough to accomplish the task. $\alpha \rho \kappa \epsilon \omega$ ($arke \bar{o}$), "be enough, suffice, be adequate"

in the active voice, it means to be enough;

in the passive voice it meant to be content or satisfied with something.

2. Sufficiency may imply to some, barely enough, but God's grace throughout Scripture is always characterized by more than enough.

3. The doctrine of sufficiency is related to God's "omni" attributes. Because God is omniscient, omnipotent, and omnipresent He can solve our every problem.

4. Satan attacked the sufficiency of God from the beginning

Questions the SUFFICIENCY of God's provision.

Questions the SUFFICIENCY of the Word of God

Questions the INTEGRITY of the Plan of God

5. The abundance of God's provision is illustrated with Manna; and also the miracle of the loaves with the feeding of the five thousand, Matt. 14:13–21, when 12 baskets full were left over.

6. In salvation God's sufficiency is abundant to all. Not for believers only but also unbelievers. It is unlimited atonement, not limited atonement.

- 1 Tim. 2:6, "who gave Himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time,"
- 1 Tim. 4:10, "For to this end we both labor and suffer reproach, because we trust in the living God, who is the Savior of all men, especially of those who believe."

2 Cor 5:14, "For the love of Christ compels us, because we judge thus: that if One died for all, then all died;"

7. The sufficiency of God's grace extends to believers in all areas of the spiritual life, especially testing.

2 Cor. 9:8, "And God is able to make all grace abound toward you, that you, always having all sufficiency in all things, may have an abundance for every good work."

2 Cor. 12:9, "And He said to me, 'My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness.' Therefore most gladly I will rather boast in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me."

2 Pet. 1:3, "as His divine power has given to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him who called us by glory and virtue," Phil. 4:19, "And my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus."

Conclusion: God is showing through Elishah that He alone provides life and the means of life.

John 6:47, "Truly, truly, I say to you, he who believes in Me has everlasting life."

John 14:7, "I am the way the truth and the life, no man comes to the Father, except by me."

John 1:4, "In Him was life, and the life was the light of men."