

Elisha & Open Eyes to See: 2 Kings 6-7

Lesson 80 Visuals

- Every time the king of Aram tried to plan a surprise attack on Israel at a specific location, God told the prophet Elisha what the king of Aram had planned.
- The king of Aram became very angry because he thought that one of his servants was sneaking off and telling his war plans to the king of Israel.
- The king's servant told the king of Aram that Elisha tells the king of Israel even the words he speaks in his bedroom.
- When they found Elisha in Dothan, the Aramean army surrounded the city of Dothan.
- Elisha told his servant, "Don't be afraid, for those who are with us are more than those who are with them.



- Then Elisha prayed that the LORD would open the eyes of his servant.
- Elisha's servant could then see the mountain covered with horses and chariots of fire around Elisha. He was seeing a spiritual army of angels sent to protect Elisha.
- Elisha prayed and asked God to strike the Arameans with blindness.
- Elisha led the blind Arameans on a twelvemile journey to Samaria. Then Elisha prayed for the LORD to open these men's eyes and let them see.
- With their eyesight returned, they realized there were in the middle of Samaria, the capital of Israel where the King of Israel lived.
- The king of Israel was ready to kill the Arameans but Elisha told the king to prepare a big feast for them instead.



- Years later, King Ben-hadad of Aram brought his whole military together and laid siege to the city of Samaria.
- The Israelites in Samaria ran out of food and were starving to death.
- The king of Israel blamed Elisha for their trouble and ordered Elisha to be killed.
- Elisha spoke God's Word that the food would be extremely cheap and plentiful the next day.
- The captain did not believe it was possible for food to be extremely cheap and plentiful the next day. He did not see any way this could ever happen.
- Elisha told the captain that he will see it with his own eyes, but he would not eat any of it.



- The four men with leprosy knew they were going to starve to death unless they did something. They decided to surrender to the Arameans.
- When these four with leprosy went to the Aramean camp, they were shocked to see that the Arameans were gone.
- God caused the Arameans to hear the sound of a large army. They then ran away because they thought they were being attacked.
- The four men with leprosy ate all they wanted. As they were picking up gold, silver, and clothes for themselves, they decided to go tell others the good news.
- The king was afraid the Arameans had set a trap so he sent men to investigate. These men found clothes and equipment littered on the ground the whole way to the Jordan River.



- The Arameans threw these things off in their rush to get away.
- God's prophecy through Elisha came true where the food at the city gate was cheap and plentiful.
- The captain, the man who did not believe that it could happen, was stationed at the city gate. He died there as he was trampled by people rushing out to get food.

Bible Verses:

2 Corinthians 4:4 "The god of this age has blinded the minds of unbelievers so that they cannot see the light of the gospel..."

Acts 26:17-18 (God sent Paul to unbelievers and said this): "I am sending you to them to open their eyes and turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan to God, so that they may receive forgiveness of sins."