

Flip The Script—Surrounded

Memory Verse: Psalm 34:4-7

“⁴ I prayed to the LORD, and he answered me. He freed me from all my fears.”

2 Kings 6:15-17

“¹⁵ When the servant of the man of God got up early the next morning and went outside, there were troops, horses, and chariots everywhere. “Oh, sir, what will we do now?” the young man cried to Elisha. ¹⁶ “Don’t be afraid!” Elisha told him. “For there are more on our side than on theirs!” ¹⁷ Then Elisha prayed, “O LORD, open his eyes and let him see!” The LORD opened the young man’s eyes, and when he looked up, he saw that the hillside around Elisha was filled with horses and chariots of fire.” Elisha asked God to open the eyes of the young man, God did, and when he did he was able to see that they were protected and God was keeping them safe.

- What in your life is in the way of you seeing God working around you?
- What is keeping you from seeing the protection God has sent for you?
- When have you asked God to open your eyes in a situation?
- When have you prayed to see clearly the path and plan you need to take?

2 Kings 6:18-20

“¹⁸ As the Aramean army advanced toward him, Elisha prayed, “O LORD, please make them blind.” So the LORD struck them with blindness as Elisha had asked. ¹⁹ Then Elisha went out and told them, “You have come the wrong way! This isn’t the right city! Follow me, and I will take you to the man you are looking for.” And he led them to the city of Samaria. ²⁰ As soon as they had entered Samaria, Elisha prayed, “O LORD, now open their eyes and let them see.” So the LORD opened their eyes, and they discovered that they were in the middle of Samaria.”

Elisha asked God to blind his enemy.

- When have you asked God to turn your eyes away from something?
- What temptations or threats have you asked God to remove from your life?
- What temptations have you asked God to remove from your friends and family?

2 Kings 6:21-23

“²¹ When the king of Israel saw them, he shouted to Elisha, “My father, should I kill them? Should I kill them?” ²² “Of course not!” Elisha replied. “Do we kill prisoners of war? Give them food and drink and send them home again to their master.” ²³ So the king made a great feast for them and then sent them home to their master. After that, the Aramean raiders stayed away from the land of Israel.”

Because Elisha was in constant communication with God, he was able to see clearly. Instead of feeling overwhelmed, he looked to God he was able to lead both sides to safety. The army attacked Israel with plans to kill them. In the end, they had a feast and left alive.

- Describe a time where you were able to see clearly how to handle a situation?
- What would your life look like if you believed that God’s presence actually surrounded you?
- What would you be willing to attempt?