

2 Kings 7:3-10

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SURVIVOR!"

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It happened that four lepers were sitting just outside the city gate. They said to one another, "What are we doing sitting here at death's door? If we enter the famine-struck city we'll die; if we stay here we'll die. So let's take our chances in the camp of Aram and throw ourselves on their mercy. If they receive us we'll live, if they kill us we'll die. We've got nothing to lose." So after the sun went down they got up and went to the camp of Aram. When they got to the edge of the camp, surprise! Not a man in the camp!

The Master had made the army of Aram hear the sound of horses and a mighty army on the march. They told one another, "The king of Israel hired the kings of the Hittites and the kings of Egypt to attack us!" Panicked, they ran for their lives through the darkness, abandoning tents, horses, donkeys—the whole camp just as it was running for dear life. These four lepers entered the camp and went into a tent.

First they ate and drank. Then they grabbed silver, gold, and clothing, and went off and hid it. They came back, entered another tent, and looted it, again hiding their plunder. Finally they said to one another, "We shouldn't be doing this! This is a day of good news and we're making it into a private party! If we wait around until morning we'll get caught and punished. Come on!

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Let's go tell the news to the king's palace!" So they went and called out at the city gate, telling what had happened: "We went to the camp of Aram and, surprise!—the place was deserted. Not a soul, not a sound! Horses and donkeys left tethered and tents abandoned just as they were."

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The truth about Choice and Change is that its all up to us!

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Vs. 3: Survivors are willing to face

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"What are we doing sitting here at death's door?"

Vs. 4: Survivors are in their

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"if we stay here we'll die. So let's take our chances in the camp of Aram and throw ourselves on their mercy. If they receive us we'll live, if they kill us we'll die. We've got nothing to lose."

Survivors are willing to become with being

Survivors are willing to become comfortable with being

Survivors are willing to become comfortable with being uncomfortable!

Your deliverance has a sound...

"For the LORD had caused the army of the Syrians to hear the noise of chariots... the noise of a great army:"

Vs. 9: Survivors understand that they have been .

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- They never remain silent
- The understand their responsibility to share the Good News!!!