

Series: Elisha and the God Who Sees, a study in 2 Kings

Sermon: Elisha and the Invisible Army

Primary Text: 2 Kings 6:8-23

Discussion Guide:

- Share an irrational fear you've had.
- Read 2 Kings 6:8-23
 - What jumps out at you?
 - In verse 15 the servant cries out, "Alas, my master! What shall we do?"
 - Share a time when you've felt that way.
 - Why does he feel this way?
 - In verse 16 Elisha says, "...those who are with us are more than those who are with them."
 - How is this always true for Christians? (see Psalms 23:4 & Romans 8:31)
 - In verse 17 Elisha prays, "O Lord, please open his eyes that he may see."
 - Read Mark 4:35-41 and Mark 8:14-21
 - How do these stories reflect the one in 2 Kings?
 - What is the over-arching message?
- Why is it important to see that the spiritual is more real than the physical? (see Mark 8:36-37 & 2 Corinthians 4:18)
 - Why is this hard to see sometimes?
- Why is it important to see that God's ways are always better than our ways? (see Isaiah 55:8-9)
 - Why is this hard to see sometimes?
- Why is it important to see that God really loves us? (see 1 John 3:1 & Ephesians 3:18-19)
 - Why is this hard to see sometimes?
- Why is it important to see that the world is blind? (see Romans 12:2)
 - Why is this hard to see sometimes?
- Why is it important to see our persecutors with compassion? (see Matthew 5:43-44 & Luke 23:34 & Acts 7:60)
 - Why is this hard to see sometimes?
- Why is it important to see the triumph of the Gospel? (see Colossians 3:1 & 1 Corinthians 15:54-57)
 - Why is this hard to see sometimes?
- Read Acts 7:54-60
 - How is this similar to the story in 2 Kings 6:8-23