

Pastor Keith Krell | January 9, 2022
2 Kings 7:3-16 | “No Longer Silent!”

Scripture References

2 Kings 7:3–16

Psalm 40:9–10

Matthew 28:18–20

Romans 1:14–16; 5:6–11

Mark 1:43–45

1 Corinthians 1:18–31

2 Corinthians 5:11–20

Study Questions

1. What bad news have you recently struggled through? How has constant bad news adversely impacted you? What good news have you recently shared? What effect has this had on you? How is your overall psyche as you begin 2022?
2. How did God intervene amidst bleak circumstances in 2 Kings 7:1–2, 6, 16? How has God intervened in your personal trials and suffering? How have you seen Him work during national or global hardships and tragedies? How does God’s intimate awareness and involvement in such suffering encourage you?
3. In what ways might God communicate His good news through unlikely messengers today (2 Kings 7:3–4)? Has God used an unlikely person in your life to point you to Christ and remind you of His mercy and grace? Why do you think God chooses to use people in this way? Read 1 Corinthians 1:18–31. In what specific ways has God used your past and present weaknesses and sins to impact others for Christ?
4. Have you come to grips with *your* obligation to share the gospel with others (2 Kings 7:9)? Read Romans 1:14 and 1 Corinthians 9:16. How eager are you to share the gospel? How can you increase your zeal to witness? Read 2 Corinthians 5:11 and 14. What role does prayer play in your interaction with lost people? Who is on your prayer list? See Matthew 9:35–38.
5. Mildred Cable (1878–1952), a missionary to China, once said: “The greatest crime of the desert was to know where water was and not to tell it.” What is your responsibility as laid out in the Great Commission? Read Matthew 28:19; Acts 1:8. Do you believe that Christ will hold you accountable for your gospel sharing when you stand before Him? Read 2 Corinthians 5:9–11. What one step of obedience to share the good news will you take this week?

Recommended Reading

Jay Pathak & Dave Runyon, *The Art of Neighboring* (Baker, 2012)

Steve Sjogren, *101 Ways to Reach Your Community* (NavPress, 2001)

Randy Pope, *The Intentional Church* (Moody, 2006)

Mark R. Harris, *You Are the Light of Your City* (Two:Twenty, 2017)