

Now there were four men with leprosy sitting at the entrance of the city gates. "Why should we sit here waiting to die?" they asked each other. "We will starve if we stay here, but with the famine in the city, we will starve if we go back there. So we might as well go out and surrender to the Aramean army. If they let us live, so much the better. But if they kill us, we would have died anyway.

2 Kings 7:3-4 NLT

What to do When . . .

1. Consider my options.

"Why stay here until we die?"

2 Kings 7:3b NIV

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

Jeremiah 29:11 NIV

2. Take a risk.

So at twilight they set out for the camp of the Arameans.

2 Kings 7:5a NLT

But when they came to the edge of the camp, no one was there! For the Lord had caused the Aramean army to hear the clatter of speeding chariots and the galloping of horses and the sounds of a great army approaching.

2 Kings 7:5b,6a NLT

3. Experience God's gift.

When the men with leprosy arrived at the edge of the camp, they went into one tent after another, eating and drinking wine; and they carried off silver and gold and clothing and hid it.

2 Kings 7:8 NLT

This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him.

1 John 4:9 NIV

The free gift of God is eternal life through Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 6:23b NLT

4. Share the good news.

Then they said to each other, "We're not doing right. This is a day of good news and we are keeping it to ourselves."

2 Kings 7:9a NIV

I pray that you may be active in sharing your faith, so that you will have a full understanding of every good thing we have in Christ.

Philemon 1:6 NIV

You have been my partners in spreading the Good News about Christ.

Philippians 1:5a NLT

Weekend Music:

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