

GOD'S POWER IN THE UNEXPECTED

2 KINGS 6:1-7

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Throughout the ministries of Elijah and Elisha, God regularly showed His superiority to any other god, especially the popular god Baal. The prophets were the spiritual leaders during these days of wickedness in the Northern Kingdom of Israel; and more and more “sons of the prophets” were being trained. In this passage, an unexpected need arose. In unusual Biblical incidents like this, take the Bible as it is and watch for what we learn about our God...

I. GOD'S PROVIDENTIAL POWER (6:1-4a)

- A. The Need of God's Followers (1-2)
 - 1. Cramped Quarters (1)
 - 2. Willing Workers (2)
- B. God's Providence in Behalf of His Followers (3-4a)
 - 1. A Simple Request
 - 2. God's Hand in the Answer

II. GOD'S AMAZING POWER (6:4b-6)

- A. The Need of God's Servant (4b-5; Ex. 22:14)
- B. The Power of God(6)

III. GOD'S UNEXPECTED POWER (7)

- 1. God's reversals are unexpected.
- 2. Does God care about your lost axe head? (1 Peter 5:7)

GOD'S POWER AND OUR NEEDS—

- 1. Greatest Need: Our Salvation, met through the Gospel of Messiah Jesus.
- 2. Daily Needs: Daily Bread (Luke 12:32)

TO DISCUSS WITH FAMILY OR FRIENDS:

- 1. How does the account of the axe head floating (2 Kings 6:1-7) demonstrate God's providential power, amazing power, and unexpected power?
- 2. Read 1 Peter 5:7. What burden do you need to cast upon the Lord right here, right now?

FOR NEXT TIME—Read 2 Kings 6:8-23, *Angel Armies*