

“How to See the Unseen” 2 Kings 6:8–14

Intro:

I. Where is the Lord, when the enemy plots against us?

A. The army of Aram came to take Elisha prisoner.

2 Kings 6:15–16 — ¹⁵ *Now when the attendant of the man of God had risen early and gone out, behold, an army with horses and chariots was circling the city. And his servant said to him, “Alas, my master! What shall we do?”* ¹⁶ *So he answered, “Do not fear, for those who are with us are more than those who are with them.”*

1. Key Characters: the Attendant and Elisha

- a. He took over the responsibilities after Gehazi left Elisha’s service with leprosy -**2 Kings 5:27**.

B. What question immediately came to mind for the attendant? (v15)

- a. What could one do if Elisha was not present?

C. What was the command of the prophet and why? (v16)

1. Who were others in the Bible that were pursued by their enemies?
2. What promises has God given for when the enemy plots against the righteous?

Isaiah 54:17 — ¹⁷ *“No weapon that is formed against you will prosper; And every tongue that accuses you in judgment you will condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the Lord, And their vindication is from Me,” declares the Lord.* **(See also Isaiah 41:10)**

- 1) Key Word is **“shall not prosper”** – meaning that the weapon has its initial effect against the servants of the Lord, but will after words degrade and cease to be.

II. The Prophet prays for the assistant receive sight.

2 Kings 6:17 — ¹⁷ *Then Elisha prayed and said, “O Lord, I pray, open his eyes that he may see.” And the Lord opened the servant’s eyes and he saw; and behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire all around Elisha.”*

A. What was this other larger army that surrounded everyone?

B. What kind of sight did the assistant receive through prayer?

C. Application:

1. Rather than fear, at what times should believers seek spiritual sight? How?

III. The Prophet prays for the enemy to receive blindness.

2 Kings 6:18 — ¹⁸ *When they came down to him, Elisha prayed to the LORD and said, “Strike this people with blindness, I pray.” So He struck them with blindness according to the word of Elisha.”*

A. Why was the Aramean army judged with blindness?

1. What kind of blindness and sight was Jesus giving with His teaching ministry?
 - a. **John 9:39–41** —