

2 KINGS – LESSON THREE

- I. ELISHA'S MIRACULOUS WORKS WITH SONS OF THE PROPHETS AND ISRAEL BEING BESEIGED BY SYRIA (Chapters 6-7).**
- A. Elisha miraculously causes lost axe head to be found (6:1-7).
 - B. Elisha miraculously thwarts the invading bands of Syrians (6:8-23).
 - 1. Elisha reveals secrets of encampment of Syrian King (v.8-13).
 - 2. Elisha blinds the men looking for Him and brings them from Dothan to Samaria (v. 14-19).
 - a. Syrian's horses and chariots worries Elisha's servant.
 - b. Elisha prays for servant to see God's chariot's and horses.
 - 3. Elisha opens the men of Syria's eyes and spares them at the hands of the King of Israel (v.20-23).
 - C. Elisha miraculously aids a famished Samaria being besieged by Benhadad, King of Syria (6:24-7:20).
 - 1. Severity of famine and besiegement causes King of Israel to want to behead Elisha (6:24-33).
 - 2. Elisha predicts that Samaria will have plenty (7:1-3).
 - 3. Four leprous men discover an empty camp of Syrians (7:4-8).
 - 4. Skeptical King of Israel finds the Syrians have fled away (7:9-15).
 - 5. People of Samaria plunder camp and trod King's captain to death at the gate in obtaining food (7:16-20).

QUESTIONS:

1. Why were the sons of the prophets needing to cut wood near the Jordan River?
2. What did Elisha cause the lost axe head to do in the water?
3. Why was the King of Syria never able to camp in a place where he could ambush the Israelites?
4. What did Elisha cause his fearful servant to see that strengthened him?
5. What did Elisha pray for when the men of Syria came to Dothan to fetch him for the King of Syria?
6. When these men of Syria come to Samaria, the King of Israel thought he needed to treat them kindly. (T) (F).

7. These men of Syria were allowed to return to whom?
8. What was the temporary result of Elisha's work regarding Syria?
9. Benhadad, the King of Syria, besieged Samaria by tearing down its walls.
(T) (F).
10. How "extreme" was the famine in Samaria?
11. What did the effects of the famine cause the King of Israel to do regarding Elisha?
12. Why did Elisha demand the elders to shut and hold fast the door?
13. What was the King not willing to do any longer as he and his people suffered the famine?
14. What did Elisha prophesy would occur as the famine was at its strength?
15. How did the captain of the King of Israel react to Elisha's prophecy?
16. Why did the four leprous men decide to enter the camp of the Syrian army?
17. Why was the Syrian camp empty?
18. The King of Israel doubted that the Syrian army had really left. (T) (F).
19. How did all points of Elisha's prophecy of 7:1-2 come true?