

BibleWise

Discussion Questions – The Syrian Army

Read II Kings 6:8-23

- Tell the story of the Syrians surrounding Elisha.
 - Why was the King of Syria upset with his men? (he thought they were spies for the King of Israel)
 - What finally convinced the King of Syria that his servants weren't spies? (Explained that the prophet, Elisha, told the King of Israel everything the King of Syria plotted.)
 - How do you think Elisha knew the King of Syria's plan?
 - When Elisha's servant got up in the morning, what did he discover?
 - Was he afraid?
 - What did Elisha tell his servant to quiet his concern?

II Kings 6:16 Fear,17

Fear not: for they that be with us are more than they that be with them. And Elisha prayed, and said, Lord, I pray thee, open his eyes, that he may see. And the Lord opened the eyes of the young man; and he saw: and, behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire round about Elisha.

- Isn't that a wonderful Bible verse: "Fear not: for they that be with us are more than they that be with them?"
- How can you use this verse in your daily life?
- How can we pray for others using this verse?
- How does this verse help us comfort ourselves and others in light of terrorists' threats?
- How does this story teach us about dealing with our enemies?
- What happened to the Syrian army? (blinded)
- Where did Elisha lead them?
- What did the King of Israel want to do with them?
- What did Elisha tell him to do?
- How would you feel if you were blindfolded and taken into the enemy camp and served a grand meal and then released?
- What does this story teach us about forgiveness? Compassion?