

ELISHA AND THE ARMY

2 Kings 6 Unit 13, Lesson 4

WHAT WE LEARNED

God protected Elisha with an invisible army. God opened the eyes of Elisha's servant so he could see God's protection. God is always with us. Jesus came to earth as the visible image of our invisible God. God's protection from sin and death is given to everyone who trusts in Jesus.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- Each time the king of Aram made plans to attack Israel, God revealed the plans to Elisha and he alerted Israel's king so Israel could thwart their enemy's plan. Elisha's servant saw the enemy army and was afraid, but Elisha could see something the servant couldn't see: an army of the Lord.
 - Why was Elisha's servant afraid, and why was Elisha not afraid? How is God's
 character revealed by choosing to protect His people and by choosing to reveal
 His heavenly army to Elisha?
 - What does it look like to have courage even when we cannot see what God is doing?
- 2. God blinded the enemy army, and Elisha led them to Samaria where the king of Israel could have killed them. Instead, Elisha told the king to feed the men and send them home. Those raiders did not come into Israel's land again.
 - How do we see God's mercy in this story? What does it tell us about who He is?
 - Are there things happening around us that we can't see? How do we know? And how should we engage with that?
 - Emphasize that God is always with us, even though we can't see Him.
 - How did God show Himself to the world?
 - Jesus came to earth so people could see God. (See Col. 1:15.) God protects us from sin and death when we trust in Jesus.

MEMORY VERSE FOR THIS UNIT

"I am the LORD; that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to carved idols."

Isaiah 42:8

PRAY TOGETHER

Spend time this week praising God for the ways that He is committed to His people and the ways He has redeemed us. Pray and thank God that He is a protector, He is merciful, and that through Jesus He has revealed Himself to the world. Pray for God to soften your heart and the hearts of those you know to His Good News.

Ask each member of your family – adults included – to share one thing they would like prayer for. Have someone to pray for that person's request. Encourage your family to pray for that person for the entire week.

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