

SERMON NOTES

Sight Without Vision

2 Kings 6:14-17 Pastor Carl Toti June 25-26, 2022

2 Kings 6:14–17 (NLT)

14 So one night the king of Aram sent a great army with many chariots and horses to surround the city. 15 When the servant of the man of God got up early the next morning and went outside, there were troops, horses, and chariots everywhere. "Oh, sir, what will we do now?" the young man cried to Elisha. 16 "Don't be afraid!" Elisha told him. "For there are more on our side than on theirs!" 17 Then Elisha prayed, "O LORD, open his eyes and let him see!" The LORD opened the young man's eyes, and when he looked up, he saw that the hillside around Elisha was filled with horses and chariots of fire.

MAIN IDEA: Having sight doesn't guarantee you have vision.

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OUR FEARS REIGN WHEN WE DON'T SEE THE UNSEEN.

See the invisible!

Hebrews 11:27b (GW) "...Moses didn't give up but continued as if he could actually see the invisible God."

ELISHA'S SERVANT SAW "BY FACTS" BUT NOT "BY FAITH."

PARALYZED BY THE FEARFUL FACTS INSTEAD OF TRUSTING IN A FAITHFUL GOD!

4SIGHT

1. _____ Gives the Power to See

2 Corinthians 5:7 (NKJV) 7 For we walk by faith, not by sight. Jesus said, "...without Me you can do nothing" (John 15:5).

What is faith?

Heb. 11:1 "It is, the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen;"

2. Spiritual _____ is Universal

2 Corinthians 4:4 (NLT)

4 Satan, who is the god of this world, has blinded the minds of those who don't believe. They are unable to see the glorious light of the Good News. They don't understand this message about the glory of Christ, who is the exact likeness of God.

We are born blind-

John 9:2 (NIV) 2 His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born

We live in a world within a world. "We are not physical beings having a spiritual experience we are spiritual beings having a physical experience." -Pierre Teilhard de Chardin, French Philosopher

3. Sight Must Be _____

Mark 8:18 (NKJV) 18 Having eyes, do you not see? And having ears, do you not hear? And do you not remember?

Psalm 119:18 (NCV) 18 Open my eyes to see the miracles in your teachings.

4. Sight Comes Through the _____ of Prayer

2 Kings 6:17 "Then Elisha prayed, "O LORD, open his eyes and let him see!" The LORD opened the young man's eyes..."

Ephesians 1:18 (NKJV) 18 the eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that you may know what is the hope of His calling, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints,

Proverbs 29:18 (NKJV)

18 Where there is no revelation, the people cast off restraint; But happy is he who keeps the law.

ANSWERS:

- 1. FAITH
- 2. BLINDNESS
- 3. PRIORITIZED
- 4. POWER