

Are You Awake?
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Now it is High Time to Awake

Romans 13:11-14 - And that, knowing the time, that **now it is high time to awake** out of sleep: for now *is* our salvation nearer than when we believed. The night is far spent, the day is at hand: let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and **let us put on the armor of light**. Let us walk honestly, as in the day; not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantonness, not in strife and envying. **But put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ**, and make not provision for the flesh, to *fulfill* the lusts *thereof*.

To Awaken:

- To be alert; watchful, to be stirred into action
- To be aware of what is unfolding in your life

The Prophet Elisha

2 Kings 6:8-10 Now the king of Syria was making war against Israel; and he consulted with his servants, saying, "My camp will be in such and such a place." And the man of God sent to the king of Israel, saying, "Beware that you do not pass this place, for the Syrians are coming down there." Then the king of Israel sent someone to the place of which the man of God had told him. Thus he warned him, and he was watchful there, not just once or twice.

- The enemy was plotting a plan against the nation Israel. At the same time, God was exposing that plan to the Prophet Elisha.
- What is happening is more spiritual than natural.

2 Kings 6:11-12

Therefore the heart of the king of Syria was greatly troubled by this thing; and he called his servants and said to them, "Will you not show me which of us is for the king of Israel?" And one of his servants said, "None, my lord, O king; but Elisha, the prophet who is in Israel, tells the king of Israel the words that you speak in your bedroom."

- Elisha was known as a prophet of God

2Kings 6:13-15

So he said, "Go and see where he is, that I may send and get him."

And it was told him, saying, "Surely he is in Dothan." Therefore he sent horses and chariots and a great army there, and they came by night and surrounded the city. And when the servant of the man of God arose early and went out, there was an army, surrounding the city with horses and chariots. And his servant said to him, "Alas, my master! What shall we do?"

- The enemy realized the real threat was Elisha because he stood in the gap for Israel
- The King of Syria sent an army to capture one man

- The weight of the opposition against us is according to the measure of what we are protecting.

2 Kings 6:16-17

So he answered, “Do not fear, for those who are with us are more than those who are with them.” And Elisha prayed, and said, “Lord, I pray, open his eyes that he may see.” Then the Lord opened the eyes of the young man, and he saw. And behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire all around Elisha.

- This is a spiritual awakening
- What we are protecting is what God has assigned to us
- Elisha was confident that God had him covered

2 Kings 6:18

So when the Syrians came down to him, Elisha prayed to the Lord, and said, “Strike this people, I pray, with blindness.” And He struck them with blindness according to the word of Elisha.

- Like Elisha we need to pray specific prayers.

2 Kings 6:19-20

Now Elisha said to them, “This is not the way, nor is this the city. Follow me, and I will bring you to the man whom you seek.” But he led them to Samaria. So it was, when they had come to Samaria, that Elisha said, “Lord, open the eyes of these men, that they may see.” And the Lord opened their eyes, and they saw; and there they were, inside Samaria!

- Elisha prayed and the Syrian Army became aware of what had happened to them.

2 Kings 6:21-23

Now when the king of Israel saw them, he said to Elisha, “My father, shall I kill them? Shall I kill them?” But he answered, “You shall not kill them. Would you kill those whom you have taken captive with your sword and your bow? Set food and water before them, that they may eat and drink and go to their master.” Then he prepared a great feast for them; and after they ate and drank, he sent them away and they went to their master. So the bands of Syrian raiders came no more into the land of Israel.

Are you awake?

- Kingdom thinking is the belief that the church is the ruling instrument in the earth today. We rule by releasing God’s will into the earth through prayer and decrees.
- Kingdom thinking understands that when we come together it is for the purpose of the King.
- Kingdom thinking knows that we can demonstrate the attributes and miracles of the Kingdom.
- Kingdom thinking believes that we are called to bring the Kingdom of God to our areas of influence and to cities and nations.
- Kingdom thinking is an awareness and understanding that we are stronger together.