

ELISHA

AND GEHAZI

in

LOCKDOWN

2 Kings 6

LORD OPEN HIS EYES THAT HE MAY REALLY SEE"



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Hi Moms, Dads, Guardians and Carers,

Lockdown does not need to be your Shutdown as a family.

We are living in extraordinary times where our tomorrows will not look like our yesterdays. As the new year turned over just a few months ago, who would have thought of THIS NEW YEAR? The world seems to be shutting down as we know it with all its practices! What we took as normal everyday living has changed! Who would have thought even churches would be impacted in their attendances and restrictions.

We have just taken these to be our daily living experiences.

What are our daily schedules made up of? It is time filled by events and appointments whether social or business demanding our attention. We do a little of this and a little of that then we come home only to do the same thing tomorrow.

YET in a moment of time, Without saying a word or planned there are no theatres, no partying, no travelling, no going anywhere. All our daily habits have now being cancelled. What do we do?

For families, "home Schooling" for a season will be your new normal as school gatherings are shut down.

This is an amazing opportunity to change all the habits that made us family poor and time poor. How many times have we wished for just another hour where we could spend with those who really mean the world to us Yet could not due to schedules. This is a GREAT opportunity to hit the RESET BUTTON and begin by putting in place the things that are important. Life will be different after this virus SO WHY NOT make it the BETTER DIFFERENT for you and your family. CHOOSE today to RESET and REPLACE the BUILDING BLOCKS that will give your family HEALTHY FAITH. The wonderful thing about FAITH, it can grow in any environment. Difficult places and times do not limit our Faith in God. or God's Ability to encounter you and your family.

LOCKDOWN Family Faith is a resource to help you make this possible. It has always being God's Heart and Desire that FAMILY is FIRST CHURCH. Your local church and every other group are the CHEER Squad to encourage you as you nurture your Children's Faith.

This is your OPPORTUNITY to GROW TOGETHER in your faith Journey as a Family.

May this resource be the beginning of many happy and Blessed times with your family.

This parent guide will help you plan creative and interactive family encounters with God. T

his has been a GLOBAL INITIATIVE as many Kids & Family Ministry leaders have shared ideas for each lesson.

God Bless you and your family.

Blessings



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A FREE RESOURCE TO SHARE WITH FAMILIES AROUND THE WORLD

How do you plan a session of Lockdown Faith?

There are a number of components to each session. We have made a simple format as per this page:

You have been given a manual (PDF) called “**CREATIVE LOCKDOWN FAITH RESOURCES**” which covers three of the components mentioned here namely:

Bible Memory Verse
Creative Story Telling Ideas
Praise & Worship YouTube Links

These are **MIX & MATCH** lessons giving you the freedom to **CHOOSE** the way you want to present the Memory Verse and Creative Story Telling idea.

Praise and Worship will happen through YouTube Video clips: We have chosen the ones that have the lyrics appear on the screen so you can sing along as a family.

Each session has a **CRAFT idea** that your children can make.

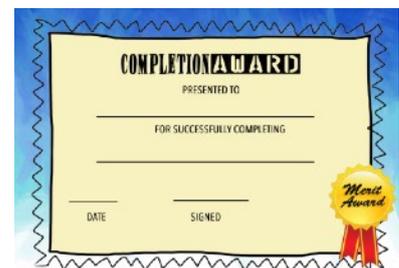
Some sessions will have an **OBJECT Lesson**.

We have focused on Object lessons that you can find around the home or are able to make them.

Each session will share **3 TRUTHS** that come out of the lesson. Each lesson will deal with a different Bible person who found themselves in a LOCKDOWN. How did they react and respond. These will be very important for your children as they face different forms of Lockdown.

APPLY NOW is the Application of the lesson truths. These will give practical ideas on how your family can respond and react to your Lockdown.

Your Children have a “**KIDS JOURNAL**” manual that has pages that they will work through. Take a moment to go through their Journal so you will know how they will be responding to the sessions. In this Parent Guide we will give you a copy of their pages correlating to the lesson shared. we will also give you insights and ideas on how to motivate your children to participate. At the end of this PARENT GUIDE will be a number of **CERTIFICATES** that have been created as incentives. You can **ADD** a prize as you wish.



To give **STRUCTURE** to the Family Gathering we are suggesting you have a combination of **FUN - FELLOWSHIP** and **FAITH Encounters**.

CROWD BREAKERS and GAMES

Families that **PLAY TOGETHER** Stay together. These games could include board games, charades, competitions etc. Each session will give you ideas that you can use.

SNACK & YAK

Some of the best Family times happen around eating.

Understand that this lockdown season is difficult for every member of the family. There is so much that is **UN-NORMAL** and out of routine. Snacks could be a wonderful treat each week you get together. **YAK** is another word for **CHATting** or Speaking together. We live in a very digital world. This generation of children are known as Digital Natives. They are **FOREVER CONNECTED** to their electronic devices. This may be the "NORMAL" in your home. Make these sessions **Device "FREE"** (It may be withdrawn symptoms in the beginning but press through)

Use this time to speak together.

In each session we will Give your family a number of questions to interact with to get discussion and Yakking going.

PRAYER

Through each lesson we will give you Target areas to pray as well as ideas on **HOW to PRAY**.

The Bible says that the Prayers of a Righteous person are **EFFECTIVE and POWERFUL**.

We want to take your children on a journey of becoming **EFFECTIVE Prayer Warriors**.

You will note on some of the Kids Journal Pages

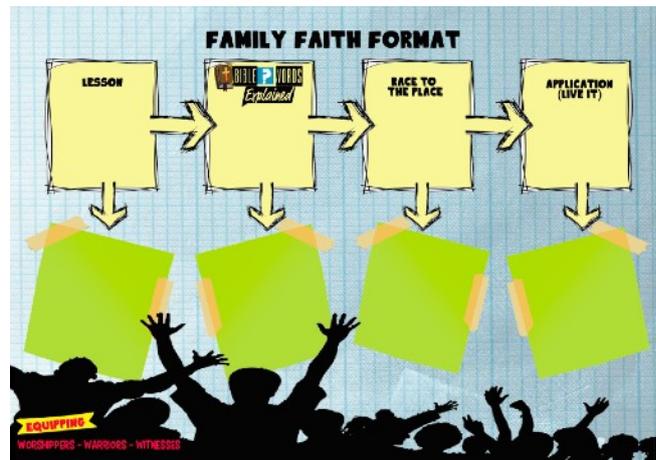
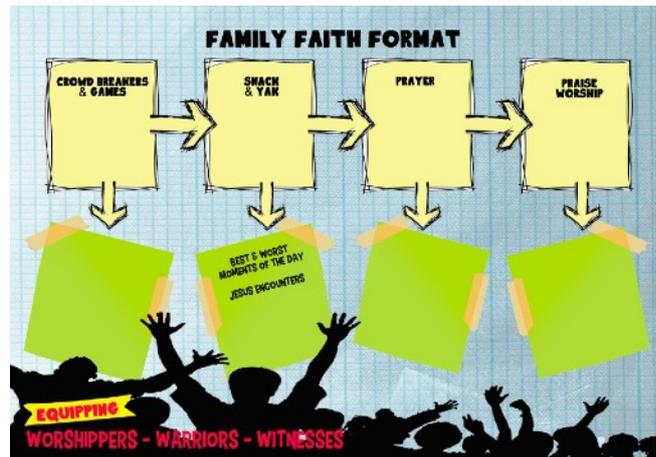
the words :**WORSHIPPERS - WARRIORS - WITNESSES**

When you look at your children; **WHAT DO YOU SEE?** Do you know that God sees so much more than we do!

GOD Sees POWERFUL WEAPONS that will bring down the enemy. You will learn more about this in the sessions.

PRAISE AND WORSHIP

This is more than simply singing some fast and slow songs. Our Worship and Praise is very **POWERFUL Weapon**. We will learn these truths in these sessions.



LESSON

We have already covered this on page 3

BIBLE WORDS EXPLAINED

If there are any Bible Words that are not understood, there will be an **EXPLANATION** given in the session.

RACE TO THE PLACE

There are number of Bible verses that will be shared in each lesson. Race to the Place will give your children to opportunity to **FIND** the Bible Verses for themselves.

If you have more than one child who can read make this a **RACE** to see who can find the verse first. **Award a Certificate** for the the Winner in this session.

APPLICATION (APPLY NOW)

This is a very important part of your session

This is **WHERE** the Lesson is **MADE**

PRACTICAL

How do you live the truth shared in the lesson?

Each session will give your family a number of ways to make this truth relevant and liveable.

HEBREW PRAISE Words

In each session we will introduce one of the Hebrew Words used for Praise. Each will help you family to express Praise and Worship in different ways.

ALLOW your WHOLE FAMILY the opportunity to participate, create, share and prepare the sessions. The more your Children are involved in creating the session, the greater will be their connection and participation. **YES**, it may get a little or lot messy but whenever family are around a table, you can expect that. Have **FUN**

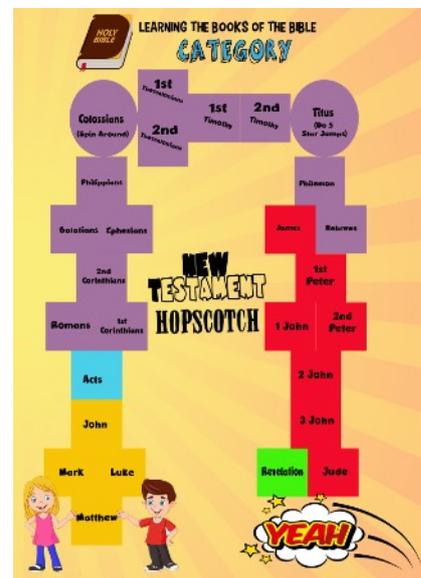
CROWD BREAKERS / GAMES

This crowd breaker will be a way of learning the Books of the Bible.

Using a Hop Scotch idea: if you have an outside area of your home, set up the books of the New Testament as seen on this page.

If you are limited by space, do it as a “board” game idea.

The second way is by Category



SNACK & YAK

Make some easy Pizza's or some snack food your family enjoy.

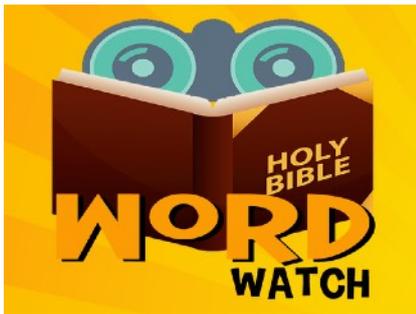
Kids to Parents

1. How did you decide on your profession?
2. What was your favourite childhood toy?
3. Did you ever meet any of your great grandparents?
4. Who was the oldest relative you remember meeting as a child?
5. What was your favourite family vacation as a child? What made it so memorable?
6. Did you have a nickname growing up? What was the origin of your nickname?
7. Which relatives did you live close to? Did you see each other often?
8. Did you ever go on long trips to visit a relative? Who and where?



Parents to Kids

1. If you could eat only 3 foods for the rest of your life, what would they be?
2. If you could be a cartoon character for a week, who would you be?
3. If you could have dinner with anyone from history, who would it be?
4. If you had to pick a new name for yourself, what name would you pick?
5. Would you rather be the most popular kid in school or the smartest kid in school?
6. You're a photographer for a day, what would you take pictures of?
7. What amazed you today?



God gives us power, not fear.

We do not need to Panic but can have the Peace of God. There are Two Bible verses this week that are our Memory Verse.

(Use one of the Creative Bible memory verse ideas from your Creative Resource Manual supplied)

2 Timothy 1:7 "For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of **power** and of love and of a **sound mind**."

John 14:27 "**Peace** I leave with you, My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid."

PRAYER TIME

There are Two areas to pray over this week.

#1 Find a local newspaper or even use your TV News to find stories that each member of the family can pray over.

#2 Pray into the Corona Virus Pandemic all over the world.

Pray for those who have been affected:
Pray for healing. we believe God is still the Healer (Jehovah Rapha)

Pray for those who have lost loved ones.
Pray for comfort and strength. Pray for God's Comfort for them.

Spend time in Spiritual Warfare over the earth. Pray as you sense God speaking to your Spirit. The Hebrew Word of Praise this week is SHABACH which is a Spiritual Warfare kind of Praise.



GOD'S GOODNESS

We continue to focus on **GOD'S GOODNESS**.

See how your family are doing with A-I in finding ways to Express Thankfulness because of God's Goodness.

See Lesson #1 - 3. This week we are focusing on "J-L"

Encourage your Children to Enter God's Presence (Gates) with **THANKSGIVING** and His Courts with **PRAISE**

LOCKDOWN FAITH **THE PATHWAY OF WORSHIP**

WORSHIPPERS OF THE KING **MY ALPHABET OF GOD'S GOODNESS**

Fuel up YOUR MEMORY

ABUNDANT GOODNESS OF GOD

ENTER HIS GATES

Write a **HEART PRAISE** for TWO of the Good Things of God in your Life From your Above Alphabet

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PRAISE & WORSHIP SHABACH

INTRODUCTION

This is going to be a **NOISY LESSON**. The Hebrew word of Praise that we are going to look is **SHABACH**

It MEANS

- to address in a loud tone
- to shout in triumph
- to command
- to shout

To SHOUT OUT LOUD

It is **NOT** a **SCREAM** BUT A **SHOUT**

Shabach praise is testimonial as it commends God for who He is, what He has done, what He is doing and what He will do.

You can **PRAISE (SHABACH)** out **LOUD** BECAUSE You have **Confidence** in God's **ABILITY**

God's **ABILITY** is linked to HIS Attributes or WHO HE IS.

Praise Him for His Attributes

He is incomparable 2 Samuel 7:22

SHABACH PS 43:3 BECAUSE YOUR LOVINGKINDNESS IS BETTER THAN LIFE, MY LIPS SHALL PRAISE YOU.

MEANING

- TO ADDRESS IN A LOUD TONE
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CHECK THE WORD

Psalms 47:1
Psalms 33:4
Psalms 145:4
Isaiah 7:26

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Invisible 1 Timothy 1:17
Unchangeable Malachi 3:5
Unqualified Isaiah 40:13-25
Infinite 1 Kings 8:27
Eternal Isaiah 57:15
Omnipotent (All-powerful) Jeremiah 32:17,27
Omnipresent (Ever-present) Psalm 139:7-12
Omniscient (All-knowing) 1 John 3:20
Good Psalm 73:1
Love 1 John 4:8,16
Merciful Lamentations 3:22,23
Truth Psalm 117:2

Bible Example
Joshua 6:20
Walls of Jericho
On the last day of walking around the walls of Jericho, the children of Israel, blew the trumpets then SHOUTED. A SHOUT of Praise. The Walls came down.

WHAT DOES SHABACH PRAISE LOOK LIKE

- This is **NOT** Quiet BUT LOUD
- We could say it is **DECLARING**
- Praise. We EXPECT** Triumph
- BECAUSE** of WHO we are coming to In Praise.
- God is **ABLE** therefore we are **CONFIDENT**.
- We **SHOUT** with **HOLINESS** and **AUTHORITY**. The kind of praise that Shuts the enemies mouth.

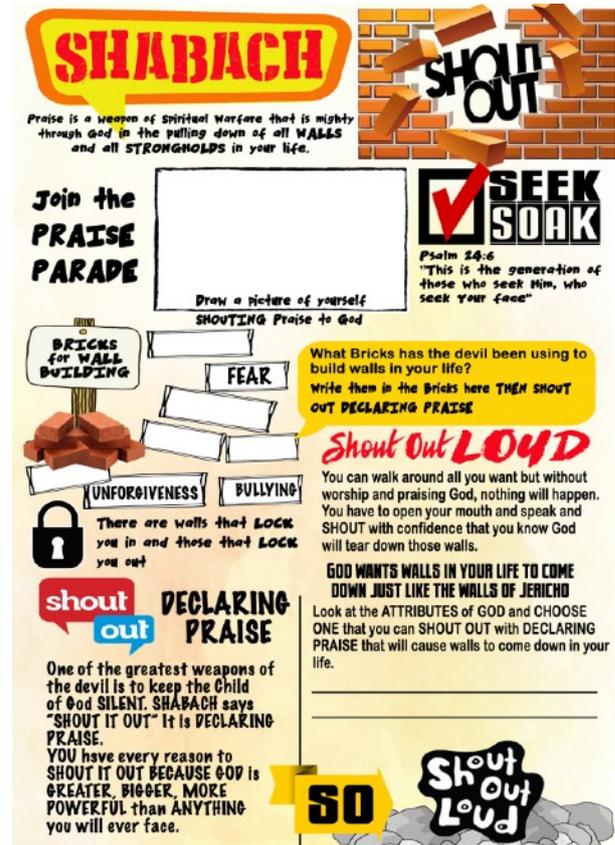
REASONS FOR SHABACH

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We are shouting down the glory of God! This word *Shabach* is best illustrated in Psalm 117:1; 'O praise the Lord, all you nations: praise Him, all you people.' It is used here to mean 'to speak highly of,' 'to address in a loud tone', 'to command triumph,' 'glory and to shout.'



LESSON POINTS

This is NOT Quiet BUT LOUD.

We could say it is DECLARING Praise. We EXPECT Triumph BECAUSE of WHO we are coming to in Praise.

God is ABLE therefore we are CONFIDENT.

We SHOUT with BOLDNESS and AUTHORITY. The kind of praise that Shuts the enemies mouth.

Like the word *Hala!*, *Shabach* reminds us that our God is worthy of singing and shouting our loudest praise for what He has done for us!

Remembrance. Our praise flows naturally from our remembrance of what God has done. In Psalm 63:3 David say "because your steadfast love is better than life, my lips with praise (Shabach) you.

Psalm 145:4 says "One generation shall commend (Shabach) your works to another, and shall declare your mighty acts.

The more we recognise the greatness of God's work in our lives, the more we will be SHOUTING / TESTIFYING of His Triumph.

You will Need:

Bibles

Once the verse is found and read, have the Bibles closed until the Next verse is called

Psalm 47:1
 Psalm 63:1-4
 Psalm 145:4
 Isaiah 12:6

Joshua and the Wall of Jericho (Joshua 6:20)

On the last day of walking around the walls of Jericho, the children of Israel, blew the trumpets then SHOUTED.

A SHOUT of Praise. The Walls came down

Joshua EXPECTED God to DO WHAT He had Promised.

Joshua 6: 16 "The seventh time around, when the priests sounded the trumpet blast, Joshua commanded the army, "**Shout! For the LORD has given you the city!**"

I have GIVEN you the city.

PRACTICE

You will need VICTORY MUSIC. These songs can have the Words displayed helping your children to SHOUT out in VICTORY.

it's the idea of putting everything you have into it. An attitude of **wholehearted praise**.

Scriptures to reference: Psalm 63:3-4 (We typically look at this psalm as soft cry of thirst in a dry place, but the words in these verses literally mean to SHOUT praises!)

Ask the Children to stand up and shout a phrase (Hallelujah or Praise the Lord works great) together on the count of three! Encourage them to view it as a wholehearted expression of praise. One of the best comparisons for this is the spontaneous, electric cheers and yells that fans at a sporting event utter when something good happens to their team.

Healing of Sick Bodies - COMMAND Sickness to leave bodies,

Difficult situations - Shouts of TRIUMPH over every Difficult situation

The IMPOSSIBLE - Omnipotent (All-powerful) Jeremiah 32:17,27

SEEK & SOAK

This session of Seek and Soak can focus on God's ATTRIBUTES

Omnipotent (All-powerful) Jeremiah 32:17,27

Omnipresent (Ever-present) Psalm 139:7-12

Omniscient (All-knowing) 1 John 3:20

We will see these truths coming up in our main lesson on Elisha and Gehazi.

LESSON #4 ELISHA AND GEHAZI

2 KINGS 6

“LORD OPEN HIS EYES THAT HE MAY REALLY SEE”

Take a few moments to read the entire chapter to see the “Supernatural” of God in the many different stories that happen just in this one chapter. Choose a way that you will bring this story to life. See the Creative Resource Manual for ideas.

From the life of Elisha and his servant Gehazi, we see TWO different reactions when they were faced with a LOCKDOWN and major crisis (when things really go wrong)

Can you see the story unfolding?

Elisha’s servant went out one morning, looked up and saw an army of soldiers, with horses and chariots. He knew this was not a good picture. So he ran back inside crying, “Alas!

What are we going to do?”

More than likely we will not walk out of our front doors and see a huge enemy army waiting there to do us harm.

But we all know what it’s like to be suddenly faced with problems beyond our control some could even be life threatening. (Just like we see in this lockdown all over the world.)

Who are we like when that happens? Are we like Elisha or Gahazi in our reactions and responses?

Gahazi’s reaction ““Alas! **What are we going to do?”**”

Elisha says in a calm response: “**Do not fear, for those who are with us are more than those who are with them**” (6:16).

What was Elisha speaking about? “Those who are WITH us are MORE than those who are with them...”

PEACE OR PANIC?

Whenever we face Lockdowns and problems we have a choice: we can have PEACE or PANIC

WHAT? How can we have PEACE when everything we know has gone wrong?

WHAT DO WE LEARN FROM ELISHA’S RESPONSE?

God is all-sufficient to meet any crisis or problem we face; and, that prayer is our means of access to the all-sufficient God.

WHAT DO WE MEAN WHEN WE SAY GOD IS ALL -SUFFICIENT?

Sufficient to every thing; infinitely able.

When we look at God, we learn three things that happen when we are faced with problems or Lockdowns

A. OUR GOD IS OMNISCIENT (ALL KNOWING)

He knows all things and possesses all wisdom. Before this moment which we have just read about, there a few other things that happened that led to this moment:

God knew what the Aramean king, was planning to do and revealed it to Elisha who, in turn, told the Israelite king, Jehoram. As the kings servant told him, Elisha even “tells the king of Israel the words that you speak in you

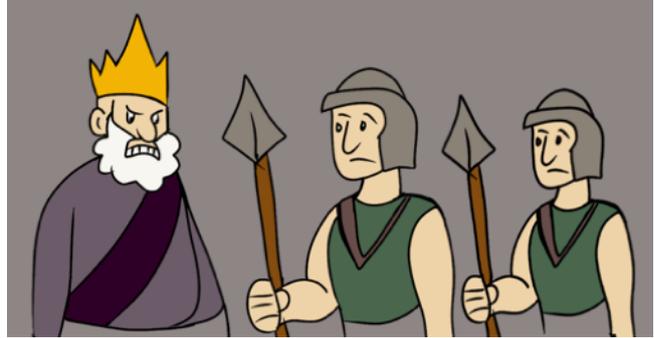


bedroom” (6:12)!

If you have ever watched a spy movie and you see how they bug rooms of those they are wanting to get information about! They hide small microphones in places where you would not expect and then they listen in on what is being said.

Long before the intelligence agents such as the FBI or CIA knew how to bug a room, God knows every thought and motive of every human heart! Nothing is hid from Him (Hebrews 4:13)

The Aramean king thought that he could send troops and take Elisha captive. God revealed to Elisha all the Kings plans.



Our God knows everything. Nothing is hid from Him

He knows all our words, deeds and even our secret thoughts.

James 1:5 says, “But if any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all men generously and without reproach, and it will be given to him.”

Jeremiah 33:3 Call to Me and I will answer and show you great and unsearchable things you do not know.

Daniel 2:22 “He reveals deep and hidden things; he knows what lies in darkness, and light dwells with him.”

B. OUR GOD IS OMNIPOTENT (ALL POWERFUL)

He not only knows how to solve our problems, He has **unlimited power** to deal with the biggest problems we can think of.

Is your problem as big as a hostile army that is trying to get you?

Psalms 34:7 tells us “The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear Him, and rescues them.”

Psalms 27:3 says “Therefore, though a host encamp against me, my heart will not fear”

Jeremiah 32:17 “Ah Lord GOD! behold, you have made the heaven and the earth by your great power and stretched out arm, and there is nothing too hard for you.”

Jeremiah 32:27 “Behold, I am the LORD, the God of all flesh. Is anything too difficult for Me?”

Job 42:2 “I know that thou can do every thing, and that no thought can be withheld from You”

WHAT MIRACLES DO WE SEE IN THIS STORY?

Elisha prays that all the soldiers would be strike blind and it happened in response to Elisha’s simple prayer. NOTHING is more powerful than our God.

God is able to deal with any problem you have, no matter how big it is to you.

Remember, He spoke the universe into existence. Nothing is too difficult for Him

If we belong to God, we can trust Him to protect us until the moment He calls us to be with Him.

Psalms 91:11 promises, “He will give His angels charge concerning you, to guard you in all your ways.”

The Lord is stronger than the most powerful enemy we can think of.

He's protecting us even when we aren't aware of it. Gahazi slept the whole night away not knowing there was a huge army outside surrounding them. It was only when he saw the army in the morning that he panicked. WHO protected them through the night?
It was the God of Psalm 91:11

Then he **prayed that his servant's eyes would be opened.** Suddenly the servant saw the unseen spiritual world that Elisha already saw: The mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire all around Elisha! He strolled out to greet the soldiers, calmly asked God to strike them blind, led them to the capital city 12 miles south, where they were then surrounded by Israel's army, and then asked God to restore their sight. Then he directed the Israelite king to feed them and send them on their way. And, for a while, the Arameans did not bother Israel.



How did Elisha have such PEACE when everything was going wrong?

HE HAD SEEN GOD'S POWER IN ACTION MANY TIMES BEFORE

Elisha's consistent communion with God in prayer. It was in these Encounters with God through Prayer that Elisha HEARD God's Voice and SAW God's Power in action. As Elisha spent time with God he gained supernatural knowledge of the enemy's planned raids.

Elisha knew how God wanted him to deal with this crisis because he had prayed.

Elisha's had seen and heard through Elijah's life and ministry many powerful miracles:

He had seen the heavens shut causing a drought for 7 years. (1 Kings 17:1)

Multiplied flour and oil for a widow (1 Kings 17:14-16)

Raised the widow's son from the dead (1 Kings 17:22-23)

Defeated the prophets of Baal with fire from heaven (1 Kings 18:25-38)

Brought rain to end the drought (1 Kings 18: 41-45)

Destroyed 51 soldiers with fire and lightning (2 Kings 1: 9-10)

Parted the waters of the Jordan River (2 Kings 2:8)

In his own ministry he had seen incredible miracles as God gave him insight of what to do.

What about when God supplied water supernaturally in 2 Kings 3

He reveals that God will supply water from Edom, without wind or rain which are the the natural means.

2 Kings 4 tells us of the widow who had so much oil supplied as she provided borrowed vessels.

Another story in 2 Kings 4: the boy who is raised from the dead. Gehazi had been part of this story. SO he had also seen a miracle.

The Axe head floating on the top of the water is one example (2 Kings 6:1 - 7)

C. WE ARE CREATED TO LIVE IN TWO REALMS (WORLDS)

The Physical (Natural) and the Spiritual (Supernatural)

As we spend time in Encountering God through Prayer we can expect our EYES to be OPENED

On the Kids page you will see an Let them look at the "Astronaut" : Ask the question: "WHAT DO YOU SEE?"

Let them look at the “Heart” Ask “WHAT do you SEE?”

Ask a third (3rd) Question “WHO CAN SEE ME?”

They will more than likely say YES they can see you.

The TRUTH: They CANNOT SEE THE REAL YOU.

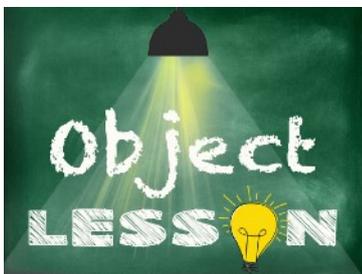
When we look at the “Astronaut” we don’t see the person , we SEE the Spacesuit which he lives in to operate and live in the realm of space. WITHOUT it, they would not survive.

We don’t see the “Heart” we see a representation of the heart.

We are a **Spirit Being** living in an **Earth suit** called the **Body**

HOW DO WE KNOW THIS?

The Bible tells us



Baby doll or have on elf your children lie under a brown blanket (soil)

Need: Soil to hide baby in

Tinfoil container

Balloon

When God made Adam = Formed him out of the DUST of the Earth = the soil

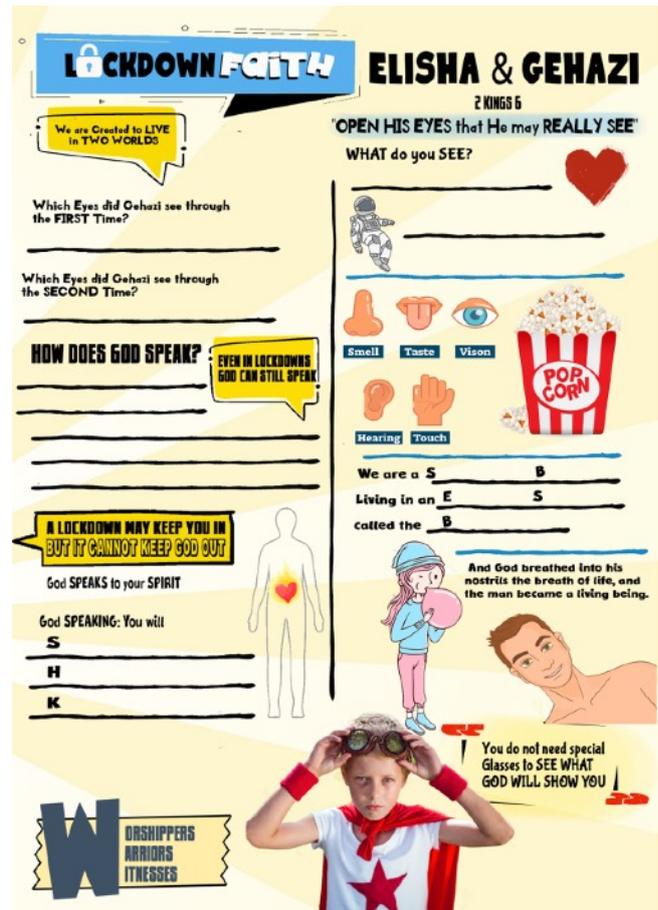
He FORMED, SHAPED HIM

But when He had done that = STILL just the SHELL - the HUMAN EARTH SUIT (Body)

= the real person wasn’t there

UNTIL = EVERYBODY SAY “UNTIL”

BALLOON = He THEN BREATHED INTO ADAM = (Blow into the Balloon)



The Bible Tells us that God is SPIRIT (John 4:24)
Adam Became a LIVING SOUL = SPIRIT BEING
God put some of HIMSELF inside of Man
He BREATHED HIMSELF into ADAM
He Breathed HIS SPIRIT Into ADAM

It is WHEN GOD BREATHED ADAM CAME to LIFE

The HEBREW Word for "Spirit" is BREATH
So God put HIS BREATH into man
He has put His Own Spirit into man
We are made in the IMAGE and LIKENESS of GOD

God doesn't look like me physically,
I don't look like God in my EARTH SUIT =
BUT I am made of the SAME SUBSTANCE that God is - SPIRIT.

So man became a SPIRIT BEING living in an EARTH SUIT called the BODY
in the same way that an ASTRONAUT lives inside his suit

The EARTH SUIT (Body)
USES FIVE (5) Senses to connect to this world = The NATURAL World.

Anyone one know WHAT those FIVE Senses are?



POP CORN

You USE All FIVE Senses when you

EAT POPCORN

TOUCH it

SMELL it

TASTE it

SEE it

HEAR it = when it Pops in the Microwave / crunchy in your mouth

These FIVE Senses CANNOT touch SPIRIT WORLD

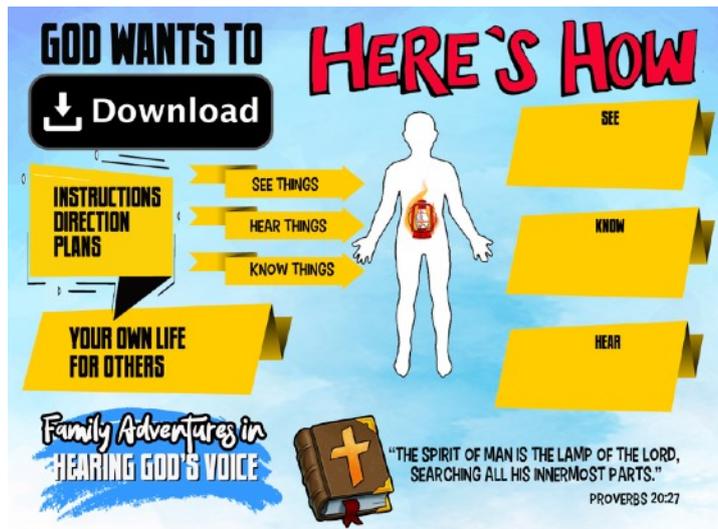
When God made ADAM = the REAL ADAM = SPIRIT Being living inside the EARTH-SUIT
called the BODY



It is that SPIRIT BEING that
 CONNECTS with God
 To **HEAR**
 To **SEE**
 To FEEL / SENSE / **KNOW**
 It is with your Spirit that these happen

We think If we can see, hear, feel,
 smell, or taste it, it must be real.

Gehazi believed only what he saw
 through his eyes = the five senses.
 His reality was thousands of soldiers,
 sitting on powerful war horses, who could destroy them and the whole town of Dothan.
 That is why he **PANICKED**.



What About But Elisha?

That wasn't his reality. He SAW Another REALM (WORLD)
 For him, his reality was the even greater and more powerful army of angels surrounding
 the city. He had **PEACE instead of PANIC**
 These angels were there all along.
 Just Because Gehazi did not see them did not make them unreal or non-existent.
 Elisha's servant **didn't have eyes to see them**.

Elisha PRAYS = LORD OPEN MY SERVANTS EYES that HE MAY SEE

When Ghazi went outside - he SAW something he didn't see before = He SAW ANGELS,
 God's ARMY, Chariots of FIRE
 He SAW INTO another REALM / World = the Supernatural SPIRIT World

He SAW BEYOND the PHYSICAL Natural World

He couldn't touch it, see it, feel it, taste it, smell it with his physical FIVE senses BUT HE
 SAW

He Saw with the EYES of HIS Spirit

He didn't need special glasses or EARS to see and HEAR

Your Spirit has EYES, EARS, HEART
 You can SEE
 You CAN HEAR
 You can SENSE / FEEL / KNOW

Opening the servant's eyes to see the angels, closing and later reopening the soldiers'
 eyes, were humanly impossible feats. Elisha's prayer was not for his servant to do what he
 already could do or to use some ability he already possessed. His prayer was for God to
 do something humanly impossible, to open his eyes, which saw the soldiers perfectly well
 the first time BUT THEN that he could see the angelic forces that protected him.

He was praying and asking God to do the humanly impossible.
The horses and chariots of fire were there, before the eyes of Elisha's servant were opened.

Your LOCKDOWN may keep you INSIDE BUT it can NEVER LOCK God OUT.

What IMPOSSIBLE thing do you need God to do for you, your family and friends?

We're asking God to do what is humanly impossible.

In these powerful stories of Elisha, we see God blinding physical eyes:
These Aramean soldiers had a simple job. They were to Take a single, unarmed man captive? That was an easy task so they thought.
But through Elisha's one-sentence prayer, these powerful soldiers were blinded and groping in blindness trying to capture the prophet.
Then their eyes were opened in response to Elisha's next one-sentence prayer, and they realized that they were in big trouble!

Elisha's had a strong and unshaken confidence in God.

He believes more than others because he sees more. He lives in two worlds and SAW the INVISIBLE.

The army of God camps between those who are trusting Him and his enemies. The military of heaven greatly outnumbered that of the Syrians.

They were **innumerable**. The mountain was full of them. Elisha was completely surrounded by Spiritual Heavenly warriors; the army from the sky was mustered and marshalled as if ready for a full battle.

They were **invincible**. Taking up their position in the mountains they would be immovable. They were **invisible**. We need to pray "God OPEN our EYES to REALLY SEE"

Jesus spoke of this invisible and invincible world when He spoke of the Legions of angels.

Matthew 26:53 "Do you think I cannot call on my Father, and he will at once put at my disposal more than **twelve legions of angels**?"

What is a "legion"? The word "legion" is a military term that was taken from the Roman army. A legion denoted a group of at least 6,000 Roman soldiers, although the total number could be higher. This means that anytime we read about a legion of anything, we can know it always refers to at least 6,000 of something.

Jesus said the Father would give Him "more than" twelve legions of angels if He requested it.

Angels are powerful! Isaiah 37:36 records that a single angel destroyed 185,000 men in one night. So if a single angel had that kind of power, how much combined strength would there be in twelve legions of angels?

Supernatural EYESIGHT is the ability to SEE and understand things beyond the natural realm.

In this Invisible realm there is an Unlimited supply that God wants to make Real in your world.

When you see the Invisible, you will do the impossible BECAUSE God STEPS IN.

Don't let your Lockdown become your Shutdown. God wants to do something SUPERNATURAL for you and your family.

ELISHA

AND GEHAZI

in

LOCKDOWN

2 Kings 6

LORD OPEN HIS EYES THAT HE MAY REALLY SEE"



**KIDS
PAGES**

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The **BACKSTORY** to the Incredible Miracle we find with the Prophet Elisha and his servant Gehazi find themselves in which is found in 2 Kings 6.

Encourage your children to read the whole chapter or do this as a family. In order to write the Media Report, your children are going to “interview” a number of the main characters we find in this chapter.

There include:

King Aram

King Aram’s Soldiers

The Prophet Elisha

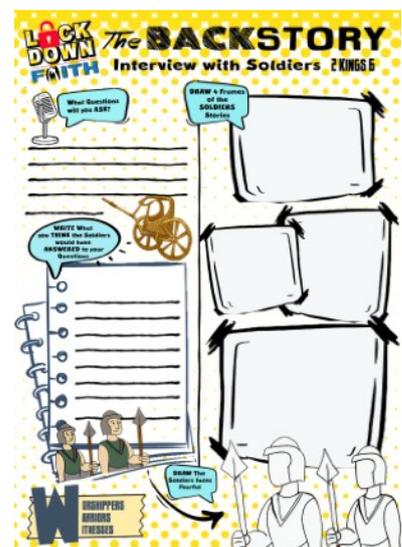
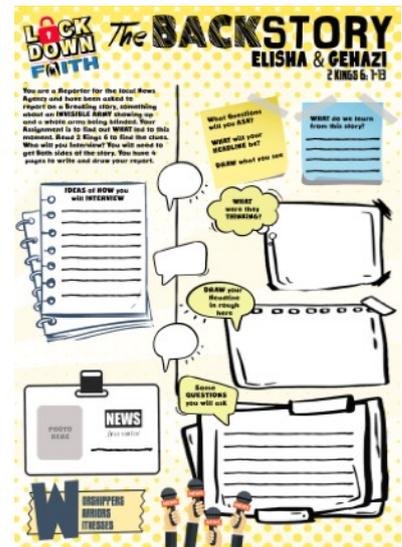
Gehazi

These can be done over a few nights or days. You may want to make this a family project. Another idea would be to have family members act out the part of the person being interviewed. This would mean that person would have read up all they can on the person so they can answer according to the Bible account.

Have your children create their Journalist Press Badge adding a photo and their names.

You will note some are questions while others call for drawing story frames.

Once all the interviews are completed, your children will be ready to create the Report. There is a separate page for this.



ANSWERS FOR KIDS PAGES

Our God is a Talking God. He communicates with His people. When we say that God “speaks” there is an immediate thinking it must be like we speak using words from a created language. It would be better to say that God COMMUNICATES with us as His people.

This can be in the form of **words, pictures, feelings, visions, dreams** etc.

So when we say God Speaks we will:

SEE things
HEAR things
KNOW things

The **Heart** that the Bible speaks about is NOT your physical pumping heart BUT Your **Spirit HEART**

The Bible says
THIS HEART CAN

HEAR
SEE
FEEL / SENSE things

(See the series: **Hearing God’s Voice** which is a number of lessons with practical applications and activations.)

Every Age can hear God Speak.

THIS SERIES IS AVAILABLE FOR WHATEVER YOU WOULD LIKE TO BLESS OUR MINISTRY WITH.

Which EYES did Gehazi see through the FIRST time?
It was his **NATURAL** Eyes as part of the Five senses.

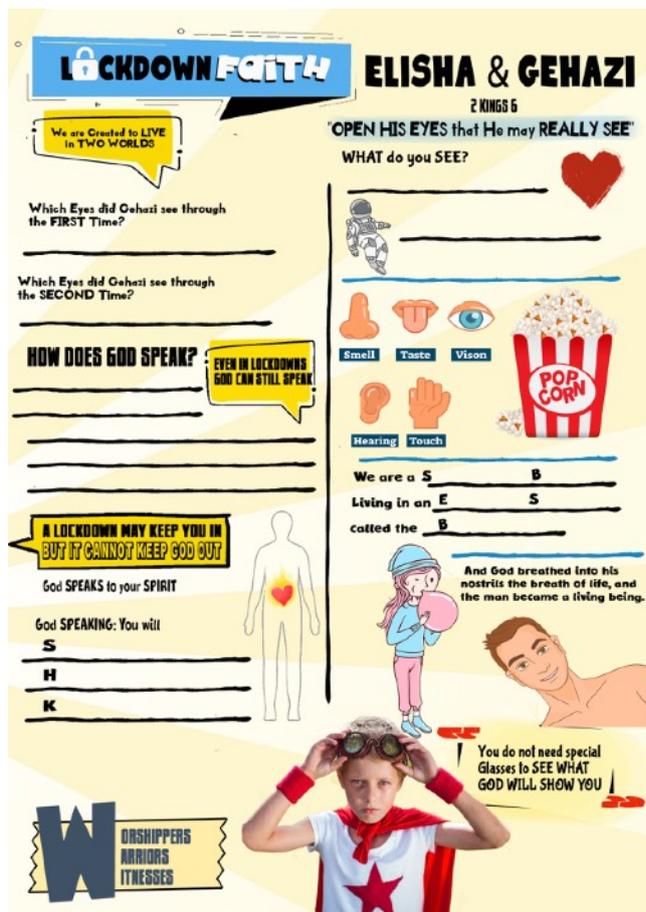
Which EYES did Gehazi SEE through the SECOND time?
It was in **His Spirit** or we could say **His Spirit Eyes.**

We are a **SPIRIT BEING** living in an **EARTH SUIT** called the **BODY**

What do you SEE?

Emphasise the fact that it is a representation of the heart but not the REAL Heart.

The Same is true for the Astronaut. It is his **SPACE SUIT** we see.



This page of your Kids Pages deals a little with the subject of Angels. Many people have a wrong picture of angels often seeing them as small, weak and fluffy creatures. The Bible gives a very different picture of Who they are and What they do. This page does not cover everything about the subject but covers enough to bring an understanding that Angels are messengers from God coming as Ministering or Serving Spirits. In the story of Elisha and Gehazi, an entire army of Angels came. They are Invisible, Invincible and Innumerable (Without Number).

They were never created to be worshipped or prayed to but to perform the tasks they are called upon to do by God Himself. These Assignments are many and varied.

LOCKDOWN FAITH

ELISHA & GEHAZI

2 KINGS 6

"OPEN HIS EYES that He may REALLY SEE"

WHAT DID GEHAZI SEE after his EYES were "OPENED"?

Jesus spoke of this invisible and invincible world when He spoke of the Legions of angels.
In Matthew 26:53 **HOW MANY LEGION** of Angels did Jesus Say He could call for?

Many times people draw pictures of Angels as small, weak beings. The Bible tells us how **POWERFUL** they are. In Isaiah 37:36 it tells us



What **ONE** Angel did. What does it say?

They frequently bring God's messages to people (Luke 1:11-19, Acts 8:26, 10:3-8, 22, 27:23-24). They carry out some of God's judgments, bringing a plague upon Israel (2 Samuel 24:16-17), striking King Herod dead because he did not give God glory (Acts 12:23). When Jesus returns, angels will come with him as a great army accompanying their King and Lord (Matthew 16:27, Luke 9:26, 2 Thessalonians 1:7). They patrol the earth as God's representatives (Zechariah 1:10-11). They carry out war against demonic evil forces (Daniel 10:13; Revelation 12:7-8). When Jesus returns, an archangel will proclaim his coming (1 Thessalonians 4:16, see also Revelation 18:1-2, 21, 19:17-18).

WHAT Does the Bible say about Angels?
3 Types of Angels

The Bible mentions three different types of Angels:
Cherubim: Genesis 3:24; Ezekiel 10:1-22
Seraphim: Isaiah 6:2-7
Living creatures: Revelation 4:6-8

How many Angels are there?
Deuteronomy 33:2

Psalms 68:17

Hebrews 12:22

Revelation 5:11

Angels are NOT to be worshipped

Revelation 19:10

Hebrews 1:14
Angels are **M** _____ **S** _____

Angel literally means "messenger." Hebrews 1:14 calls them "ministering (or serving) spirits," sent by God to aid / help the heirs of salvation. A messenger is one dispatched to carry out a responsibility in service to the sender.

There are so many times in the Bible where angels protected the life of someone. God says that "he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways" (Psalm 91:11). For Daniel's protection, "God sent his angel, and he shut the mouths of the lions" (Daniel 6:22a).

THERE IS SO MUCH MORE THAT THE BIBLE SAYS ABOUT ANGELS.

The Army that faced Elisha and Gehazi was no match to This Invisible, Innumerable and Invincible Army of God

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Kids Ministry Leadership Training
Camps
Pulpit Ministry
Church Ministry
Ministry can be in a number of settings in your church
Family Camps
Kids Ministry Camps
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