

## Open Our Eye's Lord

2 Kings 6:8-18 (NLT) — (8) When the king of Aram was at war with Israel, he would confer with his officers and say, “We will mobilize our forces at such and such a place.” (9) But immediately Elisha, the man of God, would warn the king of Israel, “Do not go near that place, for the Arameans are planning to mobilize their troops there.” (10) So the king of Israel would send word to the place indicated by the man of God. Time and again Elisha warned the king, so that he would be on the alert there. (11) The king of Aram became very upset over this. He called his officers together and demanded, “Which of you is the traitor? Who has been informing the king of Israel of my plans?” (12) “It’s not us, my lord the king,” one of the officers replied. “Elisha, the prophet in Israel, tells the king of Israel even the words you speak in the privacy of your bedroom!” (13) “Go and find out where he is,” the king commanded, “so I can send troops to seize him.” And the report came back: “Elisha is at Dothan.” (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. (18) As the Aramean army advanced toward him, Elisha prayed, “O LORD, please make them blind.” So the LORD struck them with blindness as Elisha had asked.

### I) God Is Our All- Sufficient Resource

Psalms 14:1 (NIV) — (1) The fool says in his heart, “There is no God.” They are corrupt, their deeds are vile; there is no one who does good.

Proverbs 14:34 (The Message) — (34) God-devotion makes a country strong; God-avoidance leaves people weak.

Psalms 44:20-21 (NLT) — (20) If we had forgotten the name of our God or spread our hands in prayer to foreign gods, (21) God would surely have known it, for he knows the secrets of every heart.

### II) The Importance Of Prayer

### III) Prayer Opens Our Eyes

2 Timothy 1:7 (ESV) — (7) for God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control.

### IV) The Reaction Of Elisha

1 John 4:4 (NIV) — (4) You, dear children, are from God and have overcome them, because the one who is in you is greater than the one who is in the world.

Hebrews 1:14 (NIV) — (14) Are not all angels ministering spirits sent to serve those who will inherit salvation?