

SUNDAY | JAN 25, 2015 PASTOR JAMES WEEK 1 – I CAN SEE CLEARLY NOW

**KEY VERSE:** 2 Kings 6:17 And Elisha prayed, "<u>Open his</u> <u>eyes, Lord</u>, so that he may see." Then the Lord opened the servant's eyes, and he looked and saw the hills full of horses and chariots of fire all around Elisha.

#### 1. KNOW THE ENEMY'S STRATEGIES

2 KINGS 6:8 Now the king of Aram was at war with Israel. After conferring with his officers, he said, "I will set up my camp in such and such a place."

- 1) By <u>identifying</u> who the real enemy is
- 2) By <u>recognizing</u> his tactics

1 Peter 5:6, 8; Ephesians 6:10-12

### 2. GET A WORD FROM GOD

2 Kings 6:9-10 The man of God sent word to the king of Israel: "Beware of passing that place, because the Arameans are going down there." <sup>10</sup>So the king of Israel checked on the place indicated by the man of God. *Time and again Elisha warned the king*, so that he was on his guard in such places.

# TO BELIEVE THE <u>IMPOSSIBLE</u> YOU MUST FIRST SEE THE <u>INVISIBLE</u>

How does this happen?

## 3. ASK GOD TO OPEN YOUR EYES

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## LOOKING AT THE PHYSICAL, VISIBLE REALITIES AROUND YOU WILL ONLY SERVE TO <u>DISTRACT</u> YOU FROM GOD'S <u>PURPOSES</u> AND TO <u>DISCOURAGE</u> YOU IN THE <u>PROCESS</u>.

**ISAIAH 59:1 (NLT)** The LORD's arm is not too weak to save you, nor is his ear too deaf to hear you call.

**2 CORINTHIANS 4:18** So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.

\* All Scripture is from the New International version (NIV) unless otherwise noted.

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