



God Talk At Home

This Week's Kingdom Quest Lesson:

An Army of Fiery Chariots

Take Home Point:

See the main thing—God's power and forgiveness

Drive Time Home

Tickler Question: When an army came to capture Elisha, he could see something others couldn't see. Because of that, he wasn't worried at all. What did he see? (*God's army of fiery horses and chariots.*)

God Time at Home

Select questions and adapt for your family.

FOR STARTERS: If your student brought home today's craft project, "main thing glasses," ask to see a demonstration. If not, discuss: "Talk about a time when you were scared of something that you couldn't see...like a monster you thought was hiding in a closet." Then say, "Some of these things might have only been part of our imagination. God wants us to see something that is real, but it takes eyes of faith to see it. God wants us to see the main thing about him. He wants us to see how he works in our lives with his power and his forgiveness."

READ THE BIBLE: 2 Kings 6:8-23

KEY VERSES: Ephesians 1:18-19 *"I pray also that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, and his incomparably great power for us who believe. That power is like the working of his mighty strength."*(NIV)

TALK ABOUT IT: How did the Israelites keep one step ahead of the Arameans so they would remain safe? (2 Kings 6:12. *Elisha told the king of Israel everything the king of Aram said.*) How did the king of Aram try to stop Elisha? (2 Kings 6:13-14. *He sent a large army to capture him.*) What did Elisha do to calm his servant's fears when the Aramean army surrounded them? (2 King 6:16-17. *He prayed for the Lord to open his servant's eyes and let him see the mountain filled with fiery horses and chariots.*) How was the Aramean army captured? (2 Kings 6:18-20. *Elisha asked the Lord to strike them with blindness and then Elisha led them into Samaria where they were surrounded by the Israelite army.*) What did Elisha tell the King of Israel to do with the Aramean army? (2 Kings 6:22-23. *Don't kill them. Prepare a feast for them and then send them home.*)

Why do you think Elisha wanted to give the army prisoners a feast and let them go? (*Elisha had the army of God, God's power, on his side ready to attack. Yet, Elisha demonstrated mercy and forgiveness to the Arameans.*) Why do you think this king of Aram never again attacked Israel? Elisha had power to forgive the Arameans even though they wanted to kill him. Where did he get this forgiving power? (*His faith in God.*)

PRAYER POWER: Pray for all family members to have eyes of faith to see God working in their lives and the lives of others. Pray to show God's power of forgiveness because of God's forgiveness to us through Jesus. Have the leader of the family pray Ephesians 1:18-19 over the rest of the family.

Family Time Option

One day this week, try...

FAMILY TIME OPTIONS: Practice asking one another throughout the week, "What did you see God do in your life today?" Or, "What did God say to you today in your daily Bible reading?"

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