

**Story Time - Read the story to the children**  
**Lesson 110: A SERVANT SEES A FIERY ARMY**  
**2 KINGS 6:8-23**

The king of Syria was making war against Israel. He had a council meeting with his army officers. He said, "Go to such and such a place and prepare to attack the Israelites when they come by." But the man of God sent a message to the king of Israel. Elisha said, "Be careful! Don't go by that place, because the Syrian soldiers are hiding there!" The king of Israel sent a message to his men at the place that the man of God warned him about. And the king of Israel saved quite a few men. The king of Syria was very upset about this. He called his army officers and said to them, "Tell me who is spying for the king of Israel." One of the officers of the king of Syria said, "My lord and king, not one of us is a spy. Elisha, the prophet from Israel, can tell the king of Israel many secret things--even the words that you speak in your bedroom!" The king of Syria said, "Find Elisha, and I will send men to catch him." The servants told the king of Aram, "Elisha is in Dothan." Then the king of Syria sent horses, chariots, and a large army to Dothan. They arrived at night and surrounded the city. Elisha's servant got up early that morning. When he went outside, he saw an army with horses and chariots all around the city. The servant said to Elisha, "Oh, my master, what can we do?" Elisha said, "Don't be afraid. The army that fights for us is larger than the army that fights for Aram." Then Elisha prayed and said, "LORD, I ask you, open my servant's eyes so that he can see." The LORD opened the eyes of the young man, and he saw. And the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire all around Elisha! These horses and chariots of fire came down to Elisha. He prayed to the LORD and said, "I pray that you will cause these people to become blind." So God did what Elisha asked. He caused the Syrian army to become blind. Elisha said to the Syrian army, "This is not the right way. This is not the right city. Follow me. I will lead you to the man you are looking for." Then Elisha led them to Samaria. When they arrived at Samaria, Elisha said, "LORD, open the eyes of these men so that they can see." Then the LORD opened their eyes, and the Syrian army saw they were in the city of Samaria! The king of Israel saw the Syrian army and said to Elisha, "My father, should I kill them? Should I kill them?" Elisha answered, "No, don't kill them. They are not soldiers you captured in battle. Give them some bread and water. Let them eat and drink. Then let them go home to their leader." So the king prepared a big meal for the Syrian army. After they ate and drank, he sent

them back home to their leader. The Syrians did not send any more soldiers into the land of Israel to make raids.

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### **MEMORY VERSE:**

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### **TRUE OR FALSE**

1. The king of Syria was making war with Israel. TRUE or FALSE
2. Every time the Syrians planned on making a camp somewhere, Elisha would warn the king of Israel not to go there. TRUE or FALSE
3. But the king of Israel didn't listen to Elisha, and he went to those places anyway. TRUE or FALSE
4. The king of Syria was angry, and asked his servants who was the spy among them. TRUE or FALSE
5. The king of Syria's men said they didn't know who was telling the king of Israel wherever they went. TRUE or FALSE

### **ANSWER THE QUESTIONS**

1. Did the Syrians go to Dothan and chase after Elisha to capture him?
2. What did Elisha pray when his servant was afraid of all the Syrians that had surrounded them? Did he ask the LORD to open his eyes?
3. Did the LORD open Elisha's servant's eyes? What did he see?
4. What else did Elisha pray for? Was it to make all the Syrians blind?
5. What did Elisha do when the Syrian army was blind? Did he tell them that this was the wrong city?
6. What happened to the Syrians when Elisha led them to Samaria in Israel? Did the king of Israel kill them? Did he feed them all and let them go home?
7. Did the Syrians ever send soldiers to Israel to make raids any more?

