

Summer Kickoff Part 1 – See What God Is Doing Around You Study Guide

Life can make us feel overwhelmed in our circumstances: surrounded, trapped, without options and blind to God's presence or purpose. God may use sight or blindness to help us move, and change the situation in the process.

1. What makes you feel overwhelmed, cornered or surrounded?

"And the servant said, 'Alas, my master! What shall we do?" - 2 Kings 6:15b (ESV)

- 2. **Read 2 Kings 6:15-19.** Why do you think Elisha prayed to open the servant's eyes and blind the eyes of the Syrian army? When and why might God do each with us?
- 3. Have you ever been traveling blind, wandering in the wilderness like the Syrian army did from Dothan to Samaria? Did you arrive at the destination? How did it change your perspective?

"As soon as they entered Samaria, Elisha said, 'O Lord, open the eyes of these men, that they may see." -2 Kings 6:20a (ESV)

- 4. **Read 2 Kings 6:20-23.** When the army arrives, their sight is restored and they are spared, not slaughtered. Who wins or loses in the end? What can we learn from this?
- 5. In what situations are you hoping or praying for change? Write that list of things down. As you share prayer requests in your Life Group, or take some time to pray over the list on your own, consider praying for a change in perspective in addition to a change in circumstances.