

DGM Message Summary: Guerrillas and Chariots

Takeaway:

The minute you wake up, you've got a decision to make...*Do you get up or hit the snooze bar? But what are you going to wear? Which route will get you to work on time?* The choices just keep on coming...some are that simple, but others are more complicated. They are the choices that keep you up at night, that weigh on your shoulders, and cause you to stress...*Should you buy a house? Can you afford to start a family? What if you lose your job? WHO do you listen to when you're worried? Who tells you NOT to be afraid?*

Scriptural References:

- 2 Kings 6:8
 - Every king had the brightest minds helping him/consulting him.
 - The Syrians were using guerilla warfare to hit/run the people of God.
- (verse 9) There was an advisor to the King who was a “man of God,” because no matter who is in authority, God placed that person in authority. We may not like the current president or our boss, but we have to be pulling for our country, our workplace, to succeed—in spite of our feelings!
 - “Just like God loved us by grace, may God’s grace continue to shine upon this nation.”
 - The laws are the roots of the nation, politics and commerce are the trunk of the nation, culture is the branches of a nation. But here’s the deal, a tree can’t grow without soil, so what those laws are rooted in, the source and life that the laws come from, determine the health of the entire nation.
 - Everything that you do is still anchored in conscience and God, and all those things are an expression of your commitment to Him.
 - Elisha instructed the King...he heard from God.
 - God’s voice is the most powerful weapon and deterrent we can have operating in our lives.
- (verse 10) The king obeyed his conscience and God’s word from Elisha and it kept him one step ahead of his enemy!
 - But to hear God’s voice, you’ve got to turn down the world’s volume.
 - As we hear, it impacts us in our lives.
 - If the leaders in our lives never warn us, either they don’t love us or they’re not hearing from God. If every Sunday is just you shouting but never being corrected, you may be in a house but you’re not hearing!
 - God’s warnings only come to protect us. So if you want to be protected, you have to heed warnings. The clearer the warnings, the better you can hear the threat.
- Matthew 26:41
 - God will be specific in your life. His voice is clear.

- “Watch and pray.” If you don’t, you’ll fall for anything. Jesus didn’t say if you prayed, you’d overcome temptation...He said if you’d WATCH and PRAY. Watching means paying attention. Praying means listening.
- A bad attitude is a lot like a flat tire—if you don’t change it, you won’t get anywhere.
- A lot of people come to church to feel good, but when you warn them, they feel uncomfortable.
- As you hear the Word of God, thank God that He cares enough to correct you...all that is love. And because He loves us, we have a book that He teaches from; serious moments.
- 2 Kings 6:10
 - Your long-term success is directly proportional to your willingness to receive Godly counsel.
 - You won’t accomplish anything if nobody can tell you anything.
 - God never speaks just to hear His own voice. God’s not that way. He’s giving orders so we’re not a soldier in a battle without orders. You’ve got to show up for formation before you can enter the battle.
 - Some of us are getting beat up and shot down, not because God didn’t give you a good rifle, but because you didn’t show up for formation.

Key Points:

- Whatever time, wherever it is, we need to hear the voice of God.
- God speaks to guide us and protect us.
- His voice is the best voice we could hear.
- The best ways to hear Him are to watch and to pray.