

EVERY DREAM HAS A RIGHT TO LIVE

(It's a NEW DAY in the Body of Christ! Every SON or DAUGHTER has a DREAM—purpose, destiny—your part, spice).

NOTE: This DREAM is not yours, but the Father's ORIGINAL DREAM for humankind and for you—HIS will, desire, and plan!

2 Kings 6:1-7, NIV The company of the prophets said to Elisha, "Look, the place where we meet with you is too small for us. Let us go to the Jordan, where each of us can get a pole; and let us build a place there for us to live." And he said, "Go." Then one of them said, "Won't you please come with your servants?" "I will," Elisha replied. And he went with them. They went to the Jordan and began to cut down trees. As one of them was cutting down a tree, the iron axhead fell into the water. "Oh, my lord," he cried out, "it was borrowed!" The man of God asked, "Where did it fall?" When he showed him the place, Elisha cut a stick and threw it there, and made the iron float. "Lift it out," he said. Then the man reached out his hand and took it.

INTRODUCTION:

Hebrews 6:1-2 KJV Therefore leaving the principles of the doctrine of Christ, let us go on unto PERFECTION (teliothes – the One who is perfect, the PERFECT ONE; only elsewhere translated (KJV) as "FINISHER" in Heb. 12:2); not laying again the foundation of repentance from dead works, and of faith toward God, Of the doctrine of baptisms, and of laying on of hands, and of RESURRECTION OF THE DEAD, and of eternal judgment.

NOTE: This is an OUTLINE of CHURCH HISTORY:

1. Repentance from dead works and faith toward God – Luther.
2. Faith toward God – the Anabaptists, the Wesleys, Simpson.
3. Doctrine of baptisms – the Anabaptists, Seymour and Parham.
4. Laying on of hands – George Hawtin and the Latter Rain.
5. RESURRECTION OF THE DEAD – this present season.
6. Eternal Judgment – yet to come (1 Cor. 6:1-3).

THESIS: Our TEXT (2 Kg. 1-7) is first of all a PICTURE of how that HUMANKIND (through ADAM) fell into JORDAN (death) and was RETRIEVED, REDEEMED, RESURRECTED, and RESTORED because of the piece of WOOD—the “STICK” of verse 6 points to Calvary’s CROSS. There are truths here also for the RESTORATION of the ANOINTING (or any aspect of the Christian walk).

PRINCIPLE: From the standpoint of CHURCH GOVERNMENT—fathers and SONS—this story reveals these principles: (1) IRON – fetters and afflictions; (2) AXE – war; and (3) HEAD – the mind.

Every SON has a DREAM, and every DREAM has a right to LIVE! Dreams DIE when SONS bring AFFLICTION upon themselves because of the “double-mindedness” of their DUALITY (Jas. 1:8), the civil WAR that rages in the MIND (Rom. 7) between TWO natures (in ignorance of the FINISHED WORK of Rom. 8).

Only a genuine FATHER ministry (like ELISHA) can RESURRECT that anointing, causing the lost DREAM to rise from the murky waters of DEATH, rise to the top, and live again!

2 Kings 6:1, KJV And the SONS of the PROPHETS said unto ELISHA, Behold now, the PLACE (spot, locality; condition) where we DWELL (sit down, abide, remain, marry) WITH THEE (sit before thee as a FATHER – in the SPIRIT) is TOO STRAIT for US (the SCHOOL had grown because of Elisha’s INFLUENCE).

NOTE: “STRAIT” = “narrow, tight place; crowded; press, compress or distress, restraint” (“too limited for us” – NAS; “our dormitory is too small” – TLB).

2 Kings 6:2 LET US GO, we PRAY thee, unto (the heavily WOODED banks of) JORDAN (descender; compare 2:6-13; 5:10-14), and TAKE (lay hold of, seize) THENCE (from THERE – this BEAM can only be gotten at JORDAN, the place of DEATH to self) EVERY MAN (‘iysh) A BEAM, and LET US MAKE (fashion) US (a CORPORATE purpose) A PLACE there, where WE may DWELL (same as verse 1; Ex. 25:8). And he answered, GO YE.

NOTE: The WAY out of the PRESSURES of LIMITATION is to go to JORDAN, the place of DEATH.

NOTE: “BEAM” = “rafter” (“a pole” – NIV; “a log” – RSV; “HOUSE beam” – AMP). This parallels the truth of the BOARDS of the Mosaic Tabernacle (Ex. 26:15-30), which reveal the MANY-MEMBERED BODY OF CHRIST, the ONE NEW CORPORATE MAN (Eph. 2:15; 4:13,24; Col. 3:10)—there were 48 boards, or EIGHT (new) times SIX (man). Similarly, the “BEAMS” in SOLOMON’S TEMPLE were overlaid with GOLD, typifying the DIVINE NATURE (Ex. 26:29 with 2 Chron. 3:7). Those Temple “BEAMS” were cut from CEDAR, as were the “BEAMS” of the King’s House in the Song of Solomon (1 Kg. 6:6-9 with Song 1:17).

Ephesians 4:16, KJV From whom the whole body FITLY JOINED TOGETHER and compacted by that which EVERY JOINT SUPPLIETH, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love (cp. Jn. 14:1-3 – each has a “PLACE” or a DREAM).

PRINCIPLE: “ARK” = “BOX” = Christ IN every one of you (Col. 1:27). The phrase “EVERY MAN a beam” in verse 2 points to the New Testament revelation that every SON has a DREAM—each of us is a JOINT OF SUPPLY in these practical areas:

- 1. Every man a PENNY (Matt. 20:9-10).**
- 2. Every man his WORK (Mk. 13:34; Gal. 6:4).**
- 3. Every man the MEASURE OF FAITH (Rom. 12:3).**
- 4. Every man his LABOR and REWARD (1 Cor. 3:8).**
- 5. Every man his PRAISE (1 Cor. 4:5).**
- 6. Every man his PROPER GIFT OF GOD (1 Cor. 7:7).**
- 7. Every man his CALLING (1 Cor. 7:20,24).**
- 8. Every man his ORDER (1 Cor. 15:23).**
- 9. Every man his OWN BURDEN (Gal. 6:5).**
- 10. Every man his OWN THINGS (Phil. 2:4).**
- 11. Every man his GIFT (1 Pet. 4:10).**
- 12. Every man his HOPE (1 Jn. 3:3).**

2 Kings 6:3 And ONE said, Be CONTENT (yield the will, assent), I PRAY THEE (Elisha), and GO (walk) with thy SERVANTS. And he answered, I WILL GO.

2 Kings 6:4-5 So he **WENT** with them. And when they came to **JORDAN**, **THEY** (the prophets) **CUT DOWN** (with their **AXES**, the **SHARP INSTRUMENT**—the **WORD** of the Lord, as in Eph. 6:17; Heb. 4:12; Rev. 1:16) **WOOD** (logs – a many-membered **HUMANITY**).

5 But as **ONE** was **FELLING** a **BEAM** (operating his ministry; “cutting down a tree” – NKJ), the **AXE HEAD FELL** (the **HEAD** came off the **HANDLE** because it was too **DRY** – not enough **WATER**, or **HOLY GHOST**) into the **WATER** (Jordan): and he **CRIED** (out in distress or grief; shriek), and said, **ALAS** (used to exclaim **PAIN**), **MASTER** (lord – Elisha)! for it was **BORROWED**.

NOTE: “**AXE HEAD**” = “iron” (the root word means, “to cut off”). The “**AXE HEAD**” symbolizes the **ANOINTED WORD** or the **ANOINTING**. The **AXE** was used as an agricultural tool or a weapon of war. These **IRON CHOPPING TOOLS** were used to clear forests, to cut wood, and to cut and shape stone. As a **WEAPON**, battle axes (the axe mace or war club) or hatchets could pierce armor. The **SCEPTER**, a symbol of **AUTHORITY** used by **KINGS** (Rev. 1:6; 5:10), had its origin in the war mace.

PRINCIPLE: **JESUS CHRIST** is the anointed Word; Messiah, the Anointed One (Lk. 4:18; Acts 10:38). Our “**HEAD**,” Heaven’s “**BATTLE AXE**,” was connected (joined) to the **WOOD** of His **HUMANITY**. He destroyed every foe and is now the One who tills and shapes the lives of men. His is a **SCEPTER** of righteousness (Heb. 1:8). As **KINGS** and **PRIESTS** (Rev. 1:5; 5:10), we submit our lives (our land) to the cutting edge of the Word of God. We stay **SHARP** through prayer and our study of the Word of God, lest we have to **BORROW** someone else’s **ANOINTING**!

NOTE: The word “**BORROWED**” (6:5) means, “to request, ask or seek for; to enquire; begged, to practice beggary.” Too many preachers in the **FAST LANE** of ministry ever emphasize **NICKELS**, **NOSES**, and **NAMES** (name-dropping)—they are **PARROTS**, not **PROPHETS**; they are an **ECHO**, not a **VOICE**. **COPY-CAT BEGGARS** are ever **BORROWING** sermons, song lyrics, ideas, concepts, plans, and even people—rather than paying the price of **PRAYER** and **STUDY** in the **WORD OF GOD** to hear for themselves the **VOICE** of the **ORIGINATOR** of all things!

2 Kings 6:6 And the **MAN OF GOD** said, **WHERE FELL IT?** And he **SHEWED** him the **PLACE** (demonstrating true **HUMILITY** and **CONFESSION**). And he **CUT DOWN** a **STICK** (the prophet had his **OWN** sharp instrument), and **CAST IT IN** thither (throw, hurl, fling); and the **IRON** did **SWIM** (“the axehead rose to the surface and floated!” – TLB; “the axe swam on the surface” – Sept). This pictures a **RECOVERED** and **RESURRECTED ANOINTING!**

PRINCIPLE: “**WHERE FELL IT?**” – **WHERE** did you let it **FALL**? **WHERE** did you **LOSE** the **ANOINTING**? **WHERE** did your **DREAM** die? **WHERE** in **TIME**? **WHERE**, in which **AREA**, of your life? Be mature, be honest—show your **MASTER** that particular **PLACE** and let Him restore you and your **DREAM**.

Isaiah 53:8, KJV **HE** (Messiah) was taken from prison and from judgment: and who shall declare His generation? for He was **CUT OFF** out of the land of the living: for the transgression of my people was He **STRICKEN** (inflicted with blows, wounded; metaphorical of **DISEASE**; also the mark of leprosy—**SIN**).

Isaiah 53:8, TLB From prison and trial they led Him away to His **DEATH**. But who among the people of that day realized it was their **SINS** that He was dying for—that He was suffering their punishment?

Luke 19:10, KJV For the Son of man is come to seek and to save **THAT** which was **LOST** (put out of the way).

1 Samuel 30:18-20, KJV And **DAVID** (King Jesus) **RECOVERED** **ALL** (naw-tsal’ – snatch away, strip, plunder; deliver) that the **AMALEKITES** (Esau – the flesh – **ADAM**) had carried away: and David **RESCUED** (same word) his **TWO WIVES** (both Jew and Greek in one Body by the cross, as in Eph. 2:11-22).

19 And there was **NOTHING LACKING** to them, neither small nor great, neither sons nor daughters, neither spoil, nor any thing that they had taken to them: **DAVID RECOVERED ALL**.

20 And David took all the flocks and the herds, which they drave before those other cattle, and said, This is David’s **SPOIL**.

NOTE: “CUT DOWN” (6:6) – This is *kaw-tsab*’, a different word than verse 4, and it means, “to clip or chop; to cut off, to shear; to cut evenly; SHAPE or SIZE EVENLY,” and is translated as “even shorn” in Song 4:2, KJV. JESUS was the AXE HANDLE, the PATTERN SON who was SHAPED and FORMED by the FATHER—ATTACH yourself, JOIN yourself, to HIM!

PRINCIPLE: “(Elisha) cut down a STICK” (6:6) – This pictures JESUS CHRIST the MESSIAH, the little “STICK” (the little BABY of Bethlehem’s manger in the INCARNATION of His HUMANITY), who, by the PROPHETIC WORD, was “CUT DOWN” at the Cross and “CAST” (hurled) into the midst of the “WATERS” of DEATH, and an unregenerate humanity tossed in SIN (Isa. 57:20-21).

Jesus alone has RECOVERED and RESURRECTED the ANOINTING (the DREAM of DOMINION) LOST in the Garden by the first Adam (Gal. 3:13-14)! This “STICK” that was evenly shaped and sized by the prophet was a new HANDLE for the AXE HEAD. The iron SWAM by attaching itself to this HANDLE! King JESUS—Handel’s MESSIAH—can HANDLE your situation!

2 Kings 6:7 Therefore said he, TAKE IT UP (raise or lift) to THEE (make it personal). And he PUT OUT (sent out, stretched out – an APOSTOLIC recovery) his HAND (Eph. 4:11), and TOOK it.

PRINCIPLE: The young man put out his HAND (an operation of the fivefold ministry, as in Eph. 4:11), and TOOK (same word as in verse 2) the RESTORED AXE HEAD (the principle of a RESTORED LIFE or MINISTRY). Each of us must take full hold of this MIRACLE of RESTORATION and RECOVERY that the Lord has provided! Every LOST DREAM has a right to LIVE! It’s a NEW DAY in this place—take hold of your LOST DREAM again!

APPLICATION: BINDING and LOOSING is THREE-dimensional:

- 1. Outer Court – NO binding and loosing (no Holy Ghost)!**
- 2. Holy Ghost – the NEGATIVE (Psa. 149:5-9) – STILL in effect!**
- 3. Most Holy Place (Third Day) – the POSITIVE; to “BIND” (*deo*) is a COVENANTAL operation. We AGREE with the HEAVENS and that which God has ALREADY BOUND (every PROMISE)!**