

“Iron REALLY Floats!”

INTRODUCTION: 2 Kings 5:22 – “sons of the prophets”

- 6:1** – Elisha’s Seminary flourishes.
- 6:2** – They look to build a bigger place.
- 6:3** – Elisha consents to go with them.
- 6:4** – They cut down trees to build a new building.
- 6:5** – The axe-head slips off the handle.
- 6:6** – The iron axe-head began to float and swim.
- 6:7** – When retrieved, the man could now go back to work.

- 1.- God Cares About You ... even in little details of life.**
 - God is more interested in you, than you are of Him.
 - God, Jesus, can “*identify*” with you and your problems.
- 2.- God Doesn’t Want You To Be Powerless – 2 Timothy 1:7**
 - **6:5** – His effectiveness was gone when he lost the axe-head.
 - We find our “*power*” to live the Christian life in the Holy Spirit.
 - We lose power by grieving, resisting, ignoring the Holy Spirit.
 - He lost his “*effectiveness*”, not his “*knowledge*”.
- 3.- Your Power Is Borrowed – 6:5**
 - Your “*power*” is borrowed – John 15:5 ... it comes from God.
- 4.- You Need To Seek To Regain Your Power**
 - 1 Realize you’ve lost it – **6:6**
 - 2 Go to the Master – **6:5**

HOW DID HE GET IT BACK?

- 1.- He Went Back Where He Lost It – 6:6**
 - He could have “*pretended*” to have found it ... never lost it.
 - WHY and WHEN did you “*lose*” God’s power? 1 John 1:9
- 2.- He Got It Back Through A Miracle**
 - Our “*power*” came through the “*miracle*” of our RE-BIRTH.
 - Our RE-BIRTH came through a “*wooden*” cross.
 - Jesus nailed our sins to cross ... don’t rip them down – Phil. 3:13
 - The axe-head began to “*float, swim*” ... progress.
- 3.- He Took It – 6:7 – God invites you to “*take*” His power.**

CONCLUSION: The Holy Spirit can give you His power.
- To find God’s power, commit yourself to Christ.